

**Minutes of an Ordinary meeting held on Thursday 23rd April 2015 at 7.45pm in the Reading Room****Present:** E March (Chairman) J Elvidge M Worsnop J Worsnop (Clerk) & County Cllr M Harrison**APOLOGIES:** D Britton R Houseman C Packer Dist Cllr C Hill

- 2 **Declaration of interest:** M Worsnop declared an interest in the planning application for the Hayloft Clapham Green
- 3 **Minutes** - It was proposed by M Worsnop and seconded by J Elvidge and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman
- 4 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – County Cllr Michael Harrison reported once again about the grass cutting service across the County. It will be stopped where it is not required for safety reasons but will continue to be funded to maintain minimum visibility requirements. County Cllr Harrison was informed of the saplings growing on the bend opposite Clint Hall Farm, Clint Bank, which require cutting back for safety reasons. He will report this to Highways
- 5 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – No report in her absence
- 6 **PARISHIONERS' QUESTIONS** - None
- 7 **UPDATES REGARDING:**  
**Play Area** - A meeting will be held in the next two weeks to consider the future of the Committee and any further actions needed to maintain the playground  
**Highway Matters** – Flooding outside Lister Barn Back Road – letter sent to NY Highways - No reply to date  
 Pinch Point on Wreaks Road – no further information to date  
 Lackon Bank Footpath - Reply received from N Y Highways in the absence of any established personal injury incident data means that the provision of both the footways we proposed were not considered a priority for the limited funds available. The clerk to write to the Parochial Church Council fabric committee with this information but suggest the PC would possibly be willing to make a donation towards costs if the Church wish to carry out this work themselves  
**HBC Harrogate and District Local Plan** – moving Birstwith limits – put forward to next meeting  
**Parish Council Website** - The Chairman stated he had spoken once again with a Parishioner whose son who would be willing to set up a website for us. The Chairman and Clerk will meet with this gentleman in the near future and report back to the next meeting.  
**Community Speed Watch** – Should have taken place this week but has now been postponed possibly sometime in May
- 8 **Planning Applications**  
**Formation of outdoor ménage** – 6.91.41.F.FUL 15/01246/FUL Sun Cottage New Road High Birstwith for Mrs J Wood - **No Observations**  
**Installation of bi-folding doors** – 6.91.188.J.FUL 15/00784/FUL The Hayloft Clapham Green Birstwith HG3 2JD for Mrs W Adams – **No observations**  
**Planning Enforcement:**  
**Case No 15/00158/PR15: Southfield Nidd Lane Birstwith** – Erection of large poly tunnel
- 9 **Accounts approved for payment:** Proposed by M Worsnop and seconded by J Elvidge that the following accounts be paid:
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| <b>Came &amp; Company</b> | Insurance         | cheque no 000987 | £536.00 |
| <b>YLCA</b>               | Annual Membership | cheque no 000988 | £269.00 |
| <b>St James's Church</b>  | Room Hire 26.3.15 | cheque no 000989 | £ 20.00 |

**10 Correspondance:**

**Transparency Code for Smaller Councils with a turnover not exceeding £25,000 per annum –**

This code is now mandatory from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015. Financial information to be published annually no later than 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015 and thereafter not less than annually and no later than 1<sup>st</sup> July in the year immediately following the accounting year to the which it relates. The information specified in the Code must be published on a publicly accessible free of charge website.

**Telephone Kiosk** - Possible purchase of Kiosk near the Post Office – clerk to find out further information and report back to councillors

**HBC** – PC Community Group – Bulb/wildflower scheme - Agreed to take up offer for a bag of crocus corms

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Date of next meeting 28<sup>th</sup> May 2015

Signed

Dated