

Minutes of an Ordinary meeting held on Thursday 26th September 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Reading Room

Present: E March (Chairman) J Elvidge D Fisher R Houseman M Worsnop J Worsnop (Clerk)
District Councillor Tom Watson

1 **APOLOGIES:** C Packer & County Councillor Michael Harrison

2 **PARISHIONERS' QUESTIONS** – Cllr Fisher told us he had received a complaint from a resident re the state of Darley Road close to Greenwood House and on Nidd Lane the grass verge around the Jubilee tree needed cutting. Further enquires as the PC thought that BIB were undertaking maintaining this area.

3 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – None

4 **MINUTES** - It was proposed by R Houseman and seconded by D Fisher and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 25th July be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

5 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** - E mail report in his absence. Kex Gill see under correspondence. County Council finances – the Government announcement earlier this month on funding was very positive for the County Council. A number of funding streams that were due to run out this year were renewed. That said, it was still only a 1 year funding settlement so the long term financial picture is still uncertain. It also assumes the council continues to levy the 2% social care precept.

6 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** – District Councillor Tom Watson informed the meeting that HBC had only collected 97.8% in Council tax during 2018/19. 1127 had been employed in 2018/2019 with a personnel turnover of 16.1%. Waste and Recycling is now under control but in a minority of areas there are still a few problems. Tom would like any residents to contact him on 01423 780840 if problems arise with this service. Dacre Surgery closure around 96% of households in the area have been targeted with a leaflet regarding this service which includes a sheet for residents comments

7 **UPDATES:**

(a) The Play Area - Restraint on outer gate looking into the possibility of rehangng gate the other way. Climbing frame new brackets now in place and have solved the problem. Annual Inspection Report – only minor problems reported. Shackles to swings and basket to be renewed in 6/12 months time. Path from road to playground gate in need of some work which the PC are looking into to find the best medium to use. It was quoted on Facebook that someone had tried to set fire to the picnic table but after a thorough inspection no damage was found.

(b) Highway Matters: The road repair work outside Broomfield has now be resurfaced. The Bus Stop on Darley Road – we have now received a grant from NYCC to put a hardstanding at this bus stop the work to commence shortly.

(c) Birstwith in Bloom - Congratulations on being awarded a Gold Award – Very well done PC to look into a possible donation to help further their work if the PC receive a detailed project

d) Telephone Kiosk – painting of the inside of the kiosk Nigel Martin felt the wrong sealant had been used by the glaziers, but the Chairman will make further enquiries

e) Grass Cutting: Has now taken place

f) School Clock: -Now been repaired

g) CIL – Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule has been submitted to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government for Examination, along with supporting documents. The time table for the examination is in the hands of the Planning Inspectorate, there is significant amount of work to be undertaken for the implementation of CIL. It is hoped that planning applications determined in mid 2020 should be subject to CIL charges

h) Land behind Collin Bank – Our District Councillor Tom Watson is looking into this on our behalf. However the PC wrote to HBC regarding this subject in January 2018 but as yet had not received a reply

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Planning Applications:

BT Consultation on the proposed removal of telephone kiosk (01423 770411) 6.91.KIOSK 19/03934/KIOSK Telephone kiosk Elton Lane Birstwith for BT Payphones -**Observations**
1 Birstwith has a poor mobile phone signal and close by to this kiosk is a defibrillator the phone needs keeping for emergency use. **2** On the 25th June 2015 the PC agreed to adopt this kiosk but BT informed us that this kiosk was actually on private land. After further investigation with the Land Registry it appears that the owner is The Queens Most Excellent Majesty in right of the Duchy of Lancaster
Erection of dwelling (revised scheme) 6.91.130.D.FUL 19/03907/FUL Holly Garth Swalewood Lane High Birstwith HG3 2JN -Observations **1** Over intensive development in AONB **2** Out of character with the area

Approved subject to Conditions: Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling – 6.91.241.B.FUL 19/02548/FUL – T Durance

Approved subject to Conditions: Land comprising Field at 424874 459814 Clint Bank Birstwith – 6.91,266.A.REM 19/00339/REM – Mr D Holmes

Approved subject to conditions: Erection of 3 radomes and support building – 6.500.78. D.FUL 19/02389/FUL RAF Menwith Hill

Approved subject to conditions: Erection of stables 6.91.162.D.FUL 19/02657/FUL - Mr B Cooper

Approved subject to conditions: Listed building application for installation of french doors to replace existing windows – Manor House Crow Hill Lane High Birstwith for Melanie Andrews

Approved subject to conditions: Erection of agricultural building Crow Trees Farm Sleights Lane High Birstwith for D Mills

Approved subject to conditions: Installation of roof slate and partial recladding with stone and render to domestic outbuilding – Reynard Crag Lane High Birstwith for Mrs Mcmanus and Mr Brennan

Appeal by David Holmes Land comprising field at 424380 460176 – Outline application for the erection of 5 dwellings with access considered

Planning Enforcement – Land comprising field at 424380 460176 Alleged breach removal of section of hedgerow and provision of gated access – No action is possible under planning legislation for either the hedgerow removal or creation of the access.

Planning Enforcement – 18/01528/FULMAJ Alleged breach pre commencement conditions 10 (surface water drainage) and 16 (site entrance) have not been discharged

Application withdrawn: Demolition of stable and erection of garden room – 6.91.121.A. FUL 19/01648/FUL Smithy Farm Clapham Green High Birstwith

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NYCC – Proposed diversion of footpath NO 15.11/31, Haystacks Birstwith HG3 3AR Grid reference SE 42417 46023 – Discussed with Nicky Bunting NY Paths and Bridleways no concerns only that the pedestrian gate should comply with BS 5709 2018 regulations

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Approved accounts for payment proposed by R Houseman seconded by D Fisher all in favour

British Gas	Electricity a/c May-Aug	DD	27.03
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Smith of Derby	Deposit repairs to School Clock	chq 1116	457.20
HMRC	Tax Q1 and 2	chq 1117	50.20
Smith of Derby	Repairs to School Clock	chq 1118	1066.80
J Worsnop	Salary July/Aug/Sept	chq 1119	550.15)
J Worsnop	Office space July/Aug/Sept	“	52.00)
J Worsnop	Allowances and exps	“	118.19)
Lights4Fun	Christmas tree lights	chq 1120	40.00
Birstwith Reading Room	Room hire July & Sept	chq 1121	34.00
Transfer of £3000 from deposit to Current A/c Half year financial report copies handed to Cllrs			

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Correspondence:

Nidderdale Group Practice – Info and update re the plans to concentrate clinical services over two sites instead of three from 2021 – ongoing

NYCC – A59 Kex Gill new alignment – Public Information Event every household has been sent a letter.

Date of next meeting: 24th October 2019

Signed

Dated