

**Minutes of an Ordinary meeting held on Thursday 23rd January 2020 at 7.30pm in the Reading Room**

**Present:** E March (Chairman) D Fisher R Houseman C Packer M Worsnop  
Dist. Cllr, Tom Watson J Worsnop (Clerk)

1 **APOLOGIES:** John Elvidge Michael Harrison

2 Matthew Haddock the new Kerry Plant Manager was unable to attend but will come to February meeting

3 **Parishioners Questions** – None

4 **Declarations of Interests** - C Packer declared an interest in the West House Farm planning application and M Worsnop declared an interest in Clapham Green Farm planning application

5 **Minutes** - It was proposed by R Houseman and seconded by D Fisher and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the proceedings of the Meetings held on 28th November 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

6 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT** - No report in his absence

7 **DISTRICT COUNCILOR'S REPORT** – Dist Cllr Tom Watson stated a draft budget review is taking place and a small increase in Council Tax is likely. The new home owners grant from the Government will be phased out by 2023/24. Harrogate Street Aid launched in 2019 raised over £2,000 to help vulnerable people. Your donations should be made using a contactless machine one which is outside M & S or on online to ensure the money is allocated to the right people

8 **UPDATES REGARDING:**

**Play Area:** Hinge on outer gate of playground still to be done awaiting better weather. 3 estimates had been received for resurfacing entrance path to playground. Proposed by R Houseman seconded by M Worsnop that Backhouse's estimate of £540.90 should be accepted subject to checking whether we could obtain a Windfarm grant.

**Highway matters:** Bus Stop base on Darley Road has now been completed and the monitoring form will be forwarded to County Councillor Locality Budget Funding. Damage to car park wall to be reported to Sue McGarry at HBC for repair. Still on going problems with drains and gullies on Darley Road and Lackon Bank. Request some areas be cleaned once a year but certain areas should be done twice yearly. Bollards outside Greenwood House estimate received for £282.45 was accepted proposed by M Worsnop seconded by D Fisher but to check with Sarah Bailey NYCC that the PC can undertake this work. Mr D Holmes would like to move the Birstwith sign situated on Clint Bank at his expense – R Houseman to contact him requesting a letter, plan and specification before discussion takes place.

**Birstwith in Bloom** – Signature for Street Furniture Licence was approved by PC proposed by D Fisher seconded by C Packer to replace a circular trough outside Greenwood House with an oblong one stood on flags. The public liability will be the responsibility of BIB

**Telephone Kiosk** - Interior painting will take place mid March

**Knabs Ridge Wind Farm** – re path from church to Grosvenor House School. Tom Watson will be attending a meeting shortly and will find out definite information for us

9 **Accounts approved for payment by R Houseman seconded by D Fisher all in favour**

<b>SLCC</b>	Ann Membership Subscription	Chq 001125	£ 78.00
<b>Lights for Fun</b>	Extra Christmas Tree Lights	Chq 001126	£ 38.00
<b>J Worsnop</b>	Salary Oct – Dec	Chq 001127	£525.15]
<b>J Worsnop</b>	Clerks exps Oct – Dec etc	Chq 001127	£ 66.89]
<b>J Worsnop</b>	Office Space Oct-Dec	Chq 001127	£ 52.00]
<b>Birstwith Reading Room</b>	Room Hire Oct-Nov & Jan 20	Chq 001128	£ 51.00
<b>British Gas</b>	Electricity a/c	DD	£ 11.37
<b>British Gas</b>	Electricity a/c	DD	£ 12.71
<b>Dalebuild</b>	Bus stop hardstanding Darley Road	Chq 001129	£600.00

- 10 Planning Applications:**
- Erection of Stable/Store** 19/05220/FUL Marton House Emmet Lane High Birstwith HG3 2JG - and **Planning Enforcement** possible unauthorised curtilage extension = **No Objections**
- Conversion of garage to provide guest accommodation including lowering of ground floor Alteration to roof pitch and materials. Erection of link extension to farmhouse. Erection of enclosing walls and associated landscaping works** 6.91.136.R.FUL 19/05070/FUL West House Farm Nidd Lane Birstwith – **Observations: 1 Overbearing detrimental impact on a Grade 2 listed building 2 Request it goes to a full planning meeting**
- Variation of condition 2 (approved drawings) to allow alterations to fenestration and installation of two rooflights** 6.91.136.S.FUL 19/05066/DVCON West House Farm Birstwith - **Observations as above**
- Lateral reduction to include cutting back overhanging branches to kerb line 2m etc** 6.91.207.A.TPO 19/04993/TPO 16 Collin Spring Court Birstwith – **No observations**
- Erection of 3 radomes and support building (revised scheme)** 6.500.78.E.FUL 19/05089/FUL RAF Menwith Hill Main Street Menwith Hill Camp – **No observations**
- Demolition and erection of porch, conversion of window to form door, alterations to fenestration** 6.91.59M/FUL 20/00115/FUL Clapham Green Farm Clapham Green High Birstwith - **Observations 1 Windows not in keeping with surrounding properties at Clapham Green 2 In the AONB**
- Demolition of Stable and Erection of Garden Shed** 6.91.121.B.FUL 20/00002/FUL Smithy Farm Clapham Green Birstwith – **No observations**
- Crown lift (by 1.5m) 1 Oak Tree within G2 of Tree Preservation Order 63/2008** 6.91.246.D.TPO 19/05214/TPO 2 Station Plantation Birstwith HG3 3AQ – **No observations**

**Certificate of Lawfulness** for change of use has been issued Smithy Farm Clapham Green Birstwith - see PA above

**Planning Permission Approved :**

19/04688/TPO Well House Farm Cote Hill Road Felliscliffe **Subject to Conditions**  
 6.91.90.D.FUL 19/04282/FUL Prospect Coach House High Lane High Birstwith **Subject to Conditions**  
 6.91.14.B.FUL 19/04456/FUL Elden Lea Staupes Road High Birstwith **Subject to Conditions**  
**Granted Listed Building consent** Belmont Grosvenor School Lackon Bank Birstwith **subject to conditions**

**Refuse Planning Permission**

6.91.71.H.FUL 19/04652/FUL **Holly Garth Barn** Swalewood Lane High Birstwith  
 6.91.123.B.FUL 19,04298/FUL **Coachmans Cottage** New Road High Birstwith  
 6.91.162.E.FUL 19/04373/FUL **Wayside House Farm** Back Road High Birstwith

**11 Correspondence**

**Birstwith School Governors** – Parking issues on Sports Day PC needs to apply to the Highways Authority for a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order once a date for Sports Day is finalised. It is unlikely that the County will extend a site like Birstwith when there is capacity to accommodate children in nearby schools

**Grange Medical Centre** – As they continue the gradual reconfiguration of their clinical services over two sites they have decided to retain ownership of the Grange Medical Centre for the next few years. The dispensary will still be run from Dacre and hopefully will facilitate continuation of the current dental service. They are still exploring the possibilities of renting out space to other health related services. It was agreed we should write to the Practice stating our concerns over the eventual closure of this valuable service

**Community Infrastructure Levy Modifications (CIL)** - Info passed on to Councillors

Meeting closed at 9 pm

Date of next meeting 27<sup>th</sup> February

Signed

Dated

