

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
THURSDAY 28th February 2019

The Parish Council met in the Village Hall, Askrigg on Thursday 17th January 2019

Present: Cllrs. B Fawcett Chair, D Madley, M Alderson, A Kirkbride Mrs K Lynch, Clerk, plus members of the Public

1. **Apologies:** Cllrs G Kirkbride and J Hodgson

2 **Minutes of Parish Council Meetings**

Having circulated, the minutes of the Parish held on Thursday 17th January 2019, were confirmed as a true copy and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. **Any items not covered in the Agenda**

None

4. **Declaration of interest**

Cllr. Madley declared an interest in the School Boundary agenda item and Cllr. A Kirkbride declared an interest in the Askrigg Foundation and Planning agenda items.

5. **Highway Issues**

Work as still not been carried out on the wall at Nappa and there are blocked drains at Helm. Clerk to contact Highways. Trees down Becks Bits require trimming. Cllr A Kirkbride to contact Metcalfe's at Bainbridge to ascertain the cost of trimming the trees. He will also contact the conservation officer at YDNP.

6. **Finance**

6.1 Payments resolved to pay

23/02/19	100815	Hall fees	60.00
23/02/19	100816	RDC (park maintenance)	123.86
27/02/19	s/o	HMRC	37.00
28/02/19	s/o	Clerks salary	148.05

6.2 Receipts

29/01/19		Honesty box	411.11
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The clerk asked the Councillors for their agreement to transfer £10,000.00 from the business account to the saver account. Approval was given.

7. **Planning**

New applications: R/146A/OH – Change existing open wire conductors to aerial bunch conductors.

R/50/51H – Carrs Billington - Full planning for use of building to storage facility.

Outstanding applications R/50/5G- Askrigg Foundation Full planning permission for renovation of existing unit 2 flats and 1 cottage – Approved.

R/50/204/LB – 3 New Row, Askrigg Listed building consent for internal and external works to dwelling.

8. **Village Hall**

Work to the toilet has been completed. The Village Hall committee are advertising for a cleaner .

9. Playground

A new baby swing is on order through Richmondshire District Council at a cost of £156.48 including VAT

10. Askrigg Foundation Building

Planning has been approved for two flats and one cottage. A massive clear out of the building had been undertaken and a local resident had met with the archive department in Northallerton to discuss the storage of old documents.

11. Healthwatch

Concerns were raised about the closure of Allerton Ward, ICU and A + E departments at the Friarage and the implications this will have on the Upper Dales. It was agreed the Clerk would write to the MP expressing concern.

12. Cemetery

Cllrs. Fawcett and A Kirkbride told the meeting there had been an increase in burials recently and that the Cemetery Committee would have to look into an extension of the Cemetery before too long.

13. School boundary fence

Cllr Fawcett had met with the health and safety officer representing the school. The first section of fencing to be installed would be at the front of the school. The working party is continuing to meet to take the work forward.

14. Dog Fouling

Local resident, Jill Leslie, told the meeting she had collected approximately 60 bags of faeces from one field alone. She had contacted Keep Britain Tidy for leaflets which would prove quite costly. Cllr Peacock suggested obtaining signs from the RDC. Everyone agreed dog fouling is a big problem in the village and thanked Jill for her efforts in trying to keep the village tidy.

15. Quickbooks The clerk informed the meeting that the package was not suitable for the parish account and that she had cancelled the subscription

16. Speed Matrix

The Clerk had written to North Yorkshire County Council regarding the purchase of a speed matrix. A response back was to say nothing had been formally approved and any signs would have to be removable and battery powered. The scheme should be up and running by the 1st April. Clerk to follow up nearer the time.

17. Correspondence

Email – BAWB A decision of the School Governors had been made not to allow West Burton school to de-federate. Cllr. Peacock said there had been a lack of communication, particularly with parents. A meeting is to take place with governors and parents.

Email- YDNP Trees in a conservation area. Removal of branches over hanging the road from one Larch located at Lea Gate.

Email – Oil smell and noise next to Grans Cottage, Askrigg. The email suggested the oil smell and noise was coming from the extractor on the side of Skeldale House. The Parish

Council said this was a matter between owners. The Clerk to speak with the owner of Skeldale regarding the email.

18 Dates for future meetings

Thursday 16th May 2019

Thursday 18th July 2019

Thursday 19th September 2019

Thursday 21st November 2019

19. Any other business

- The Parish Council will make a contribution of £40.00 to the lighting of the Church
- The Clerk to do an advert for someone to carry out maintenance on the seats around the village (approx. 12)
- It was agreed not to increase the flower tubs this year as there were sufficient for the village.
- It was agreed a memorial bench could be placed outside the Greets.
- A request had been made to have the Church as a standing item on future agendas. This was agreed by the Parish Council.

20. Date and time of next meeting: Thursday 16th May 7.30 pm, back room of the Village Hall, Askrigg