MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON Wednesday 6th March 2024

The Parish Council met on Wednesday 6th March 2024 in the Village Hall, Askrigg

Present: Cllrs. A. Kirkbride (Chair), J Hodgson (vice Chair), G Kirkbride, , S Fawcett, Mrs K Lynch (Clerk), Cllr. Y Peacock and two members of the public.

The Chairman, Cllr. Kirkbride, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllrs. D. Teasdale and D Scarr

2. Minutes of Parish Council Meetings

The minutes of the Parish Council on Wednesday 24th January 2023 as a true copy at the next parish council meeting in 2024

3. Any items not covered in the Agenda

None

4. Declaration of interest

Cllr A Kirkbride- Planning

5. **Highway Issues** (standing item)

Roadside trees from Newbiggin to Nappa and Heugh

Gutter blocked between Newbiggin and Arngill.

Heugh Lane

Two gaps not yet reported on highway wall East of Napp – to be reported

High straights (Stanny Lane) concrete gulley broken when Highways did work up there and it has never been repaired.

Drain on Muker road blocked (what three words narrating.photo.slice)

Nappa Scarr to Nappa Hall right hand side culvert under road is flooding.

Skelgill – salt dump has not been replenished

All the above have been reported to Highways. Cllr Peacock said she would follow up with Highways.

6. Finance

6.1 Expenditure – resolve to pay.

12/01/24	HMRC	Clerks PAYE	56.40
12/01/24	K Lynch	Christmas Lights	112.28
12/01/24	Askrigg Temp Hall	Hall Fees	20.00
12/01/24	C H Fawcett	Christmas tree	180.00
16/01/24	NYCC	Yorewaste	23.76
29/01/24	K A Lynch	Clerks salary	226.14

6.2 Receipts

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7. Planning applications

New Applications: None

Outstanding applications:

R/50/222A/LB internal and external alterations at Salisbury House, Askrigg. - Refused

R/50/29G full planning to subdivision of existing house to create two separate dwellings. The Vicarage, Askrigg

R/50/154B Full planning permission for demolition of existing bungalow and replacement with new house (part retrospective) at Cedar View, Woodhall – Approved conditionally

R/50/104A application for removal of Condition 9 (occupancy condition) The White Rose Hotel, Askrigg.

8. Carrs Billington Site update

The clerk said she heard the site was under offer on Hoppers website.

9. Village Hall update

Nothing to report

10. Church update

A public meeting regarding the rendering of the tower still to be arranged. — Clerk to follow up.

11. Playground

Cllr A Kirkbride said the roof on the tower was in need of repair and he would look at what needed to be done.

12. Healthwatch

Cllr. Kirkbride informed the meeting that work had commenced on the new Integrated Care Centre.

13. Cemetery

An extra ordinary meeting had taken place to discuss the proposal and cost of purchasing extra land from the landowner to extend the cemetery. James Alderson from Hawes Auction Mart is handling the negotiations on behalf of the landowner.

14. School

The school had been informed by their landlords, that due to an identified gap in insurance cover the school gates must be locked at all times including out of school hours. This has now being resolved with the insurers.

15. Low Mill Outdoor Centre

Nothing to report since the last meeting and Asa Gurden has said he will provide reports twice a year.

16. Public transport

Mrs Annison gave an update on public transport. She informed the meeting that anyone wanting to travel to Northallerton can do so by taking a bus to Leyburn then to Richmond and from there to Northallerton.

17. Vehicle Activation Sign

It had not physically being possible to obtain data from the sign in time for the meeting. The Clerk would bring data to the next meeting.

18. Proposed erection of War Memorial

The erection of a War Memorial was agreed at the last meeting and Nick Temple-Heald presented two options for the wording on the stone. A vote was carried out and two members voted for Option 1 which was more traditional wording and two members voted for Option 2 which was a poem. The Clerk was asked to email the two absent Councillors for their preference and liaise with Mr Temple-Heald. The Chairman would have the casting vote should there be no clear decision.

19. Correspondence

Email: Questionnaire YDNP Strategic Housing Market Assessment – Cllr Kirkbride to respond.

Email: Anne Morgan – Newbiggin issues (item withdrawn from the Agenda)

Email: NYC – Home to school travel policy. Cllr Peacock said it was important that people needed to complete the questionnaire. The suggested new policy will not affect existing children. It was agreed the Parish Council would write to North Yorkshire Council expressing their concerns.

20. Any other business

The Clerk informed the meeting that Neil Banks is no longer able to do the village grass cutting. It was agreed to make enquiries regarding finding a replacement.

The Chairman presented a housing comparison for 2016 to 2023

	Houses lived in full time	Holiday homes	2 nd homes	Empty	Social Housing
2016	199	33	32	9	23
2023	218	42	28	19	26

21. Date and time of next meeting Wednesday 15th May 2024 7.30 p.m. back room of the Village Hall, Askrigg

After the close of the meeting Mr David Hodgson was presented with a framed picture, on behalf of Askrigg Graziers, following his retirement. David had been Secretary for Askrigg Graziers for 42 years.