

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 17TH MAY 2017

A Parish Council meeting was held in the Village Hall, Askrigg on Wednesday 17th May 2017

Present: Cllrs. B Fawcett Chair, J Hodgson Vice Chair, A Kirkbride, D Madley Cllr. G Kirkbride,, M Alderson, Y Peacock, Mrs K Lynch Clerk, Cllr Y Peacock plus members of the Public.

The newly elected Chairman, Cllr Fawcett, thanked Cllr Kirkbride for all his hard work over the past 20 years. He also stated that Cllr Kirkbride had been an excellent chairman.

1. Apologies: None received

2 The minutes of the Parish Council held on Thursday 17th March 2017, having been circulated to all Members, were confirmed as a true copy and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Declaration of interest

Cllr A Kirkbride declared an interest in item 7 Planning.

4. Highway Issues

Cllr Peacock informed the meeting there would be resurfacing work from Woodhall to Carperby before November. Flooding is still a problem at Worton Bridge despite the drains been cleaned recently, also there are problems outside Hargill House and Beck Bits and will be reported once again to Highways.

Cllr Madley said the drains at Low Abbotside near the pump station were not working properly. Potholes continue to be a problem and need reporting. The manhole cover outside Askrigg Chapel will also be reported to Yorkshire Water as it is loose.

RESOLVED

- Clerk to contact Highways
- Clerk to contact Yorkshire Water.

5. The Pension Regulator

The Clerk reported she had commence with the declaration process and had nominated herself as the contact for the Parish Council.

RESOLVED

- Declaration of compliance started

6. Finance

7.1 Payments

15/03/17	s/o	HMRC (February PAYE)	32.20
28/03/17	100769	YLCA Membership	199.00
28/03/17	100770	Viking office supplies	28.04
28/03/17	100771	Hollingworth & Moss	750.00
28/03/17	s/o	Clerks salary	128.98
10/04/17	100772	Viking office supplies	343.15
10/04/17	100773	Viking office supplies	103.14

10/04/17	100774	Corner House Computers	168.00
10/04/17	100775	J T Atkinsons	30.93
13/04/17	s/o	HMRC (March PAYE)	32.20
22/04/17	100776	RDC	121.99
28/04/17	s/o	Clerks salary	128.98
11/05/17	100777	Scotts Wright Solicitors	66.00
15/05/17	s/o	HMRC (April PAYE)	32.20

7.2 Receipts

04/04/17	Village book sales	910.00
07/04/17	Village book sales	185.00
27/04/17	Village book sales	125.00
28/04/17	Sanderson Burial Fees	200.00
28/04/17	RDC Precept	1750.00
16/05/17	Village book sales	35.00
16/05/17	Car park honesty box	482.61

7. Planning Applications

Garden room – Burnside, Moor Road, Askrigg
Agricultural building, Arncliffe Farm, Woodhall
Nappa Hall – Bed and Breakfast

Outstanding application : Full planning – 2 bedroom local occupancy barn conversion, Moor Road

8. Healthwatch

Cllr G Kirkbride expressed concern over ambulance waits. She told the meeting someone had waited for an hour for an ambulance to come from Grassington and someone else had to wait an hour for one to come from Helmsley. It was agreed this was not acceptable and the Clerk would write to the local MP.

RESOLVED

- Clerk to write to the MP

9. Speed Issues

This issue was raised by two older residents at the Annual Parish Assembly, stating they fear for their lives when crossing the road at the bottom of the hill coming out of the Village. They asked if a 'slow' sign could be painted on the road and it was agreed Highways would be contacted.

RESOLVED

- Clerk to contact Highways and request a slow sign be painted on the road.

10. Cemetery

The Cemetery requires a clean up. Cllrs Hodgson and Alderson agreed to help.

RESOLVED

- A date for the `clean up` would be arranged.

11. Village Hall Toilets

Richmondshire District Council are to withdraw funding for the toilets. Cllr Fawcett said a suggestion has been made to use the disabled toilet, which would reduce costs, and leave the main toilets for use by those who hired the Village Hall. Cllr Kirkbride suggested the Parish Council could make an interim contribution to the toilets if needed. Cllr Peacock said it would be the decision of the hall committee to decide the way forward.

12. Village Sports

An email has been received from the Village sports committee asking for helpers to marshal the parade on bank holiday Monday. Some members felt it was the responsibility of parents, but Cllr Peacock and Mr Garside said they would be happy to help.

13. Honesty Box signs

It was agreed the spelling of `greatfully` on the donation box in Parkins Garth would be corrected to `gratefully`

14. Askrigg Foundation Building

The Clerk asked if Cllrs Madley and Alderson could sign the Lease for the parish office so the signed copy can be returned to the Askrigg Foundation.

RESOLVED

- Cllrs Madley and Alderson signed the Lease

15. Correspondence

Letter – RDC – playground equipment. A recent inspection shows work is required.

Letter – NALC – Legal briefing not to publish anything controversial during the period of the Election.

Email – Cllr Blackie – mobile skip

Email – YLCA – Grant funding transparency code.

Letter – Mr & Mrs Gillespie – Seata Barn, Askrigg

RESOLVED

- Cllr Hodgson to inspect the playground
- NALC content was noted
- The mobile skip will be in Banks Yard on 20th May
- Transparency funding was noted
- The content in the letter from Mr & Mrs Gillespie was discussed and noted. Cllr Fawcett said any residents having problems relating to Mr & Mrs Gillespie should, in future, report the matter to either the Parish Council or the Police.

16. Any other business

A dog bin for Parkins Garth will be ordered when they are back in stock at the RDC
Cllrs Fawcett and Kirkbride would spray weed around the village.

17. Date and time of next meeting Thursday 20 July 2017 7.30 p.m., Village Hall back room

