

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON
Wednesday 19th May 2021

The Parish Council met on Wednesday 19th May 2021 in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs. B Fawcett Chair, J Hodgson, G Kirkbride, D Teasdale, and D Scarr, A Kirkbride Mrs K Lynch, Clerk, Y Peacock (District Councillor) plus Ruth Annison and Tony Hutchinson members of the public

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

1. **Apologies for absence:** none
2. **Minutes of Parish Council Meetings**
Having circulated the minutes of the Parish on Wednesday 3 March 2021, they 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**
None
5. **Highway Issues** (standing item)
Residents are concerned about the parking of vehicles in the village. Resident Tony Hutchinson expressed concerns over the amount of cars being allowed to park on the pavement. Also a letter had been received from a local resident about the amount of cars parked in the village and also the speed in which vehicles are travelling through the village and on Station Road near to the school. The Councillors acknowledge there is an ongoing problem with parking, particularly now more visitors are around, but there is no easy solution to the problem. It was agreed that Cllr Hodgson would speak with Dave Calvert at Carrs Billington to find out if there is a short term solution by vehicles being allowed to park on their site. The Parish Council suggested to Cllr Peacock should the district council be in a position to purchase the site, they would like to see small to medium business units plus a car park on the site and definitely not housing as there is enough housing in Askrigg.

A letter had been received from Rev Dave Clerk regarding placing electric vehicle charging points on the wall of the Church. The Councillors agreed they did not want ev points there as it would reducing already limited parking on the cobbles. It been suggested to install two EV points in Parkins Garth car park at the top of the village. The Clerk informed the meeting she had expressed an interested with Richmondshire District Council to having two charging points in the village should they have any surplus. Tony Hutchinson said he would feedback the comments to Rev. Clark.

The Clerk had been contacted by a resident regarding the damaged footpath leading to Urlay Nook. It was agreed the Clerk would contact Nigel Metcalfe asking the footpath be repaired.
6. **Finance**
6.1 Expenditure

11/03/21	online	S Lynch (new printer)	94.99
12/03/21	s/o	HMRC	48.60
17/03/21	d/d	NYCC	20.80
26/03/21	online	YLCA	214.00
29/03/21	s/o	Clerks salary	194.00
01/04/21	d/d	NYCC	20.92
12/04/21	s/o	HMRC	48.60
28/04/21	s/o	Clerks salary	194.00
05/05/21	100849	RDC	97.44
05/05/21	online	BHIB Parish Insurance	193.54

6.2 receipts

02/03/21	Compensation	9.79
07/03/21	Compensation	3.22
20/04/21	Parish Precept	3,500.00

7. Planning

New Applications:

R/49/47A erection of a summerhouse at Fors Croft, Breconbar, Askrigg

R/49/62 reoccupation of a former dwelling and conversion of attached barns to form one residential property, reinstatement of boundary wall, works to existing access track and installation of package sewage treatment unit at New Park, Helm, Askrigg.

Clerk to write to YDNP informing them the parish council is fully supportive of both applications.

8. Home Choice selection criteria – Broadacres/Sanctuary Housing

Cllr. Kirkbride said she had been contacted by a number of local people who feel they are not being considered appropriately in the home choice selection process. The Clerk was asked to write to the YDNP stating that the Parish Council believes Broadacres are not adhering to the 106 agreement and residents of Askrigg are being overlooked in the process. They are also not contacting the Council for their opinion on suitability.

9. Village Hall

It was felt that the Village Hall is in need of a re-paint. Cllr. Teasdale to raise with the village hall committee.

10. Church update

Some scoping work being carried out for the tower repairs.

11. Askrigg Foundation Building

Work is now complete on the building and there are now two flats, one cottage and a shop all of which are occupied. The Councillors were in agreement that the work had been carried out to a very high standard and it was nice to see the building occupied.

12. Healthwatch

The Central Dales Practice will continue to operate an appointment triage system. It was acknowledge the COVID vaccination programme had gone really well in the area with a high uptake.

13. Cemetery

Cllr Fawcett suggested the cemetery committee have a clean up. A date is to be arranged. The Clerk notified the Council that the change of authorised signatories had been changed for ns&l to Bruce Fawcett, David Scarr and Karen Lynch.

14. BAWB Foundation

A community briefing had been received from the school highlighting the progress the school has been making, particularly through the pandemic. During lock down 27 children were taught onsite, 74 remained at home and 30 did a combination of schooling.

15. Low Mill Outdoor Centre

It was confirmed that Mr Asa Gurden would be the parish council representative for Low Mill. Cllr. Kirkbride told the meeting that 5 staff on the catering side had been served their redundancy.

16. New Single Council

Proposals have been submitted and awaiting Government decision.

17. Village leaflet for new residents

The Clerk to email the draft leaflet to the parish councillors for a final check.

18. Public transport developments

Mrs Ruth Annison gave a comprehensive update on transport developments. She is a member of the Richmondshire and Hambleton Community Partnership which she says is an excellent group taking forward transport developments for the area. There will be a Government strategy on urban transport to be published which is important for our areas.

19. Correspondence

Andrew Craske has written to say he will continue to liaise with Braithwaites to arrange collection of the village tubs as his son has now left the company. He asked if some residents could help water the tubs especially on the cross and pump area.

The Countryside Stewardship Scheme paperwork had been signed by the Chairman and returned to James Alderson at the Hawes Auction Mart.

Eleanor Scar has written to confirm that all the old village books had now been collected and they were at Colby Hall for safekeeping.

It was noted that BT are planning to remove some phone boxes. The one in Askrigg is not affected.

It was noted that consent has been given for one sycamore crown to be lifted at Kentallen, Woodhall.

YLCA have written regarding the High Court Judgement on the continuation of remote meetings which has not been granted. Parish Councils are expected to have face to face meetings from May 2021

20. Any other business

The RDC is offering grants of up to £10,000.00 for the upgrade of playground and will not be match funded. The Clerk to complete the grant process.

The Clerk to contact Highways regarding a block drain at Breconbar

It was agreed to upgrade the instant ink subscription to 100 copies per month for 3.49 per month. Any unused copies are carried over and the subscription can be changed at any time.

21. Date and time of next meeting To be confirmed

