

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
Wednesday 20th November 2019

The Parish Council met in the Village Hall, Askrigg on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Present: Cllrs. B Fawcett Chair, J Hodgson, D Scarr, G Kirkbride, A Kirkbride  
Mrs K Lynch, Clerk, plus members of the Public

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

**1. Apologies for absence:** Cllr Y Peacock, D Teasdale

**2. Minutes of Parish Council Meetings**

Having circulated, the minutes of the Parish held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 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**

None declared

**5. Highway Issue**

The grass cutting payment from NYCC this year will be £40.90

A blocked drain in Helm had been reported to Highways.

The reported blocked drain near the cross had been inspected and will be cleaned

The request from the owner of Coles House to resurface the track at the top of the Green on Moor Road was agreed but the Parish Council stipulated it had to be in keeping with the rest of the road.

Hedge cutting is needed at Skellgill, Newstead and Becks Bits. The Clerk to contact Highways.

There are some flags in need of repair outside Sykes shop. Clerk to contact Highways,

**6. Finance**

**6.1 Payments resolved to pay**

12/09/19	s/o	HMRC	38.00
30/09/19	100830	A Porter	860.00
30/09/19	s/o	Clerks salary	152.66
30/09/19	100832	Viking Office Supplies	77.94
08/10/19	100833	J T Atkinson	19.07
11/10/19	100834	TWM	3,742.50
14/10/19	s/o	HMRC	38.00
28/10/19	s/o	Clerks salary	152.66
30/10/19	100835	TWM	300.00
11/11/19	100836	K Boddy	400.00
11/11/19	100837	NYCC	180.00

**6.2 Receipts**

30/09/19	Precept payment	1,750.00
03/10/19	Compensation payment	27.15
07/10/19	Parish Income (HB)	497.49
24/10/19	Parish Income (HB)	363.30

## **7. Planning**

**New applications:** No applications tabled.

### **Outstanding applications.**

Full planning permission for roofing over sheep handling pens to reduce water pollution – Nappa Hall, Nappa Scar, Askrigg – (Withdrawn)  
Lowlands Farm, Askrigg R/50/211 – approved conditionally

## **8. Village Hall**

Martin Garside, Treasurer gave an update on the accounts which had been approved at an AGM. The Committee are looking at generating £1680.00 in savings and £1500.00 had been raised from donations towards the renovation of the building.

## **9. Church update**

Nothing to report

## **10. Askrigg Foundation Building**

Tender documents have gone out to builders. A start date of February is planned should all go to plan. The shop is now closed until after the renovations.

## **11. Healthwatch**

The consultation is still ongoing around the future of the Friarage Hospital. The Clerk informed the meeting for people to be encouraged to put their views forward.

## **12. Cemetery**

A meeting of the Committee will be arranged for January 2020

## **13. School boundary fence**

The hedge planting will take place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 10.00 a.m. Volunteers welcome.

## **14. Dog Fouling**

Local resident, Jill Leslie, told the meeting that there has been an increase in certain areas. The Clerk to contact the local ranger to seek permission to display a sign near the bridleway from the top of Silver Street towards Becks Bits.

## **15. Speed Matrix**

The sign is now installed. Some drivers are taking note and slowing down others are not. The batteries are not lasting very long before they have to be recharged. This is probably because some drivers are taking no notice of the sign.

## **16. Christmas Tree**

The tree is to be put up on the 1<sup>st</sup> December and those volunteers should meet at 11.30 a.m.

## **17. Correspondence**

YDNP Management Plan: Contents noted

Askrigg Parish Map. Should be available from the YDNP

YLCA General Election Guidance – Noted

What three words. The Clerk gave a brief overview of this service.

YDNP response regarding Heather Beetle – Cllr Fawcett read out the response which it was felt was not helpful as it stated there were no evidence that burning heather was effective.

Yorkshire Dales Organisation Conservation Area Appraisal. Cllr A Kirkbride agreed to be involved.

YLCA Membership Fees. It was agreed to continue with the payment

Wensleydale and Coverdale Parish Council Forum. It was agreed the Parish Council would be involved in the Forum.

NYCC Commons Act. Content noted

Barclays change of saving rates. Content noted.

Citizens advice donation. The Parish Council agreed not to make a donation as the Village already donates to a number of charities.

## **18. Any Other Business**

A resident raised concerns over the number of parking cones being used to `protect` parking spaces. Also there are safety concerns because of vehicles being parked on the paths and on both sides of the road. This is restricting walking on the paths, particularly for older people and those with prams. A question was raised about renting space on the old Carrs Billington site. Cllr Peacock informed the meeting that a feasibility study was to be carried out on the site which would be fed into the local plan

The Clerk was asked to write to the Parks regarding planning consent for the building work at West Leigh on the West End.

There appears to be a number of Ingrid Flute signs being put outside holiday properties. Cllr. A Kirkbride to find out if these are acceptable, particularly in the conservation area.

## **19. Date and time of next meeting: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 7.30 pm, back room of the Village Hall, Askrigg**