

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023

The Parish Council met on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 in the Village Hall, Askrigg

**Present:** Cllrs. J Hodgson (Chair), D Teesdale, G Kirkbride, D. Scarr. Mrs K Lynch (Clerk), Sharon Diamond (North Yorkshire Police) and 2 members of the public.

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

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllrs B Fawcett, A Kirkbride and Y Peacock

2. **Minutes of Parish Council Meetings**

Having circulated the minutes of the Parish Council on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023, 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**

Cllr D Teesdale - Planning

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

The Clerk reported that Cllr. Peacock would follow up the re-connection of the streetlights on Station Road. The clerk also reported that a site meeting had taken place to discuss the cutting back of trees along the highway. The work will be done at a later date. The clerk had also written to the owners of Dog Kennel Cottage to ask if they would also cut back some of their trees, particularly around the new lights.

6. **Finance**

**6.1 Expenditure – resolve to pay.**

12/07/23	HMRC	Clerks PAYE	53.00
18/07/24	NYCC	Yorewaste	24.02
28/07/23	K A Lynch	Clerks salary	212.20
28/07/23	A Porter	Grass cutting	100.00
10/08/23	N Banks	Grass cutting	270.00
14/08/23	HMRC	Clerks PAYE	53.00
16/08/23	NYCC	Yorewaste	23.89
29/08/23	K A Lynch	Clerks salary	212.20

**6.2 Receipts**

1/07/23	HMRC	VAT refund	480.00
27/07/23	Honesty Box	Village upkeep	403.98
27/07/23	Blenkiron	Burial fees	360.00

7. **Planning applications**

**New Applications:**

**R/49/50C** Variation of Condition 4 – Change to the exterior roof covering at Park House, Low Abbotside, Askrigg - no objections.

A planning application relating to Cedar View, Woodhall had not been received by the parish council. The applicant forwarded a copy which the clerk tabled at the meeting. The Councillors agreed in principle, to the application but would not be able to formally write to the YDNP until a formal application pack had been received from them.

**Outstanding applications:**

R/50/29G Tuttle House, Silver Street, Askrigg. Full planning for two glamping cabins with hot tubs and solar panels

R/49/21R Full planning to convert and extend existing building to create owner/manager and emergency on site vet accommodation at Bainbridge Vets. The parish council has responded to say they are fully supportive of the application.

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

**8. Carrs Billington Site update**

Cllr Peacock sent an email update. A new senior officer for NYC will be visiting Carrs Billington shortly with Sue White who has been dealing with this from the old RDC. Cllr Peacock has put the Askrigg position forward with a view to finding a solution to the re-urposing of the site.

**9. Village Hall update**

Cllr. Teesdale informed the meeting that the repointing had been put back until next year as the main priority was to repair the valley gutter which was leaking.

**10. Church update**

A public meeting still to be arranged.

**11. Playground**

There are a number of issues from the recent inspection but nothing urgent.

**12. Healthwatch**

Minutes of the meeting noted.

**13. Cemetery**

A date for the next 'tidy up' of the cemetery will be set at the parish council meeting in November.

**14. School**

Nothing to report

**15. Low Mill Outdoor Centre**

Nothing to report.

**16. Public transport**

Two emails had been received from Mrs Annison. One was regarding the Dalesbus 856 which does not come through Askrigg. The clerk to write a letter of support for grant monies.

The 155 Sunday bus does run through Askrigg to Carperby and on to Bolton Castle. This service continues until October.

**17. Vehicle Activation Sign**

The new solar sign is in place. There were a few issues initially with the sign flashing to soon. This has been rectified and re-set. The Clerk can now access speed data from the

installed software. She presented the meeting with a traffic report which showed 51.9% of vehicles were travelling over the 30 mph speed limited. The highest recorded speed was 55 mph in a 30 mph zone which everyone agreed was very worrying considering it is outside a primary school. Sharon Diamond, North Yorkshire Police said the data is automatically sent from the sign data log to North Yorkshire Police Traffic Office. She also said she would arrange for someone to come out with a speed gun to measure speeds.

**18. Correspondence**

Email YDNP – Invitation to Autumn Parish Forum – Clerk to send letter to Cllr A Kirkbride.

Email Humber Teaching NHS Trust – Governor elections. – Clerk to put on noticeboard

Email Trees in a conservation area. – Slee Gill, Askrigg and School Croft Askrigg.

Email Linda Cook – Hedgehog highway project – noted

Email NYC – New approach to managing speed limits in North Yorkshire – noted

Letter NYC – Commons Act 2006 – Woodhall Greets – noted

Email Hawes Action Mart – Woodhall Greets – peatland restoration works are scheduled to be carried out November to December and is expected to take two to three weeks to complete.

Email NYC – Potential removal of BT telephone boxes. Askrigg not affected

**19. Any other business**

Cllr. G Kirkbride had been approached by a resident in Mill Lane regarding a tree in the residents garden. It was suggested the owner of the property contact the YDNP regarding trees in a conservation area.

The clerk suggested buying a new honesty box and sign for the Church wall. This was agreed..

**20. Date and time of next meeting** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 p.m. in the back room of the Village Hall, Askrigg

