

HORTON-IN-RIBBLESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the Zoom platform

Monday 14th December 2020 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors present – M. Hanson (Chairman), F. Durham, T. Millman, J. Wilson, A. Blackburn (Clerk). Public present – None.

87/20. Apologies for Absence. - B. Coope.

88/20. Code of conduct – localism Act 2011.

a) To record any councillor's disclosable pecuniary interests in relation to any item on this agenda.

b) To consider any changes in member's register of interests

c) To consider any dispensations – none received.

89/20. Minutes of the Meeting held 9th November 2020. (Resolved).

Council resolved to approve the November minutes.

90/20. Matters Arising. Read by the Clerk.

Ref: 79/20 – Email received from resident informing Council that he was unaware of cemetery tap misuse.

80/20 – The new car park ownership sign now installed at H. Bridge, also confirmation received from insurance agents that full public liability cover is applicable to the car park.

91/20. Public Participation. No public present.

92/20. Litter Bin – Helwith Bridge.

Cllr Durham suggested a CDC provided litter bin to be positioned at H. Bridge, this could alleviate dog waste bags being deposited with the recycling bins at the Yorkshire Subterranean Society building. Council resolved to approve the purchase.

Action – Clerk to liaise with CDC with a view to acquirement.

93/20. Precept 2021-22.

Council considered the budget and projection document as presented by the Clerk and discussed future budgetary requirements. Council resolved to approve a 1.5% increase of the precept to £11,144.00.

Action – Councillors to sign the document, Clerk to forward to CDC.

94/20. Electronic Banking. (Council resolved to proceed)

Council discussed benefits relative to electronic banking including appropriate financial safeguards. **Action** – Clerk to complete application on the behalf of Council.

95/20. Horton Railway Station – illuminated signage & underpass.

The Clerk had submitted a 'cause for concern' to Network Rail regarding the recently installed illuminated information board at Horton railway station, the board emits a bright white LED type light which is causing distress to nearby residents, awaiting reply from Network Rail.

Also an underpass was discussed for this location as an alternative to the proposed bridge and lift system. Council resolved to approve this alternative proposal.

Action – Clerk to submit Council suggestion to Network Rail.

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96/20. Planning Applications.

C/44/290 – New Houses – barn conversion.

Council resolved to approve the application following a constructive discussion.

C/44/101H – Arcow Quarry – variation of conditions.

Council reviewed the variation and had no objection to the condition amendment.

Action – Clerk to submit comments to YDNP Planning.

97/20. Highways & Street Lighting.

The Clerk informed Council of the problem with water pooling following rainfall on the B6479 near the junction with Cragg Hill Road, this is caused by the camber of the road at this location preventing run off into surface water drains. This has already been communicated to NYCC Highways.

Recent road maintenance on Douk Ghyll had left loose stones that had not been cleared. **Action** – Clerk to report to NYCC Highways.

98/20. Correspondence.

Council discussed devolution proposals and resolved to approve the East / West proposal as it provides a more effective representation for the community.

Action – Clerk to submit decision to The Department of Communities, Housing, & Local Government.

Elan City Vehicle Activated Speed Sign brochure – received.

99/20. Financial Statement & Invoices for December 2020. (Resolved)

Council resolved to approve the financial statement and the following invoices:

Horton Landscapes Ltd – grass cutting – October.

Came & Company – insurance.

E-ON – street lighting.

A. Blackburn – reimbursement – car park sign.

A. Blackburn – salary.

RBL Poppy Appeal – donation.

100/20. Date of The Next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 11th January 2021.

Meeting closed 8.38pm

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Chairman