

**Horton in Ribblesdale Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 10 June 2013**

Present: Cllrs Hilary Bowman, Wilf Fenten, Sheila Fleming (Chairman), Gary Middleton, Sheila Millman
Richard Pattinson

Clerk: Mr I Fleming

In attendance: 7 members of the public. Cty Cllr Richard Welch arrived during Item 8.

Item 1. To receive apologies for absence

Cllr Avril Palmer. **Resolved that:** Cllr Palmer's reasons for absence be accepted

Item 2. Code of Conduct and disclosable pecuniary interests

2.1. To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest in agenda items and their nature

Councillors were reminded to declare items as/if they arise during the meeting. The Chairman outlined the rules and statute governing the declarations of interest and reminded Councillors that they should have regard to whether any person or persons acting reasonably and in full possession of the facts would consider that a disclosable pecuniary interest existed for a Councillor on a particular matter.

2-2. To receive, consider, decide and record members' requests for dispensations

None received

Item 3. To appoint representatives to outside bodies.

Resolved that: the following appointments be made for the coming year:

Settle Swimming Pool Association	Cllr Bowman (to attend AGM only)
Exhibition Governors	Cllrs Fleming and Palmer
Foundation Governors	Cllr Fleming
Village Hall Committee	Cllr Millman
Freight Quality Partnership[Mr Colin Sunter or Mr Brian Bowman
YLCA	Cllr Fleming
Playing Fields Association	Cllr Pattinson
Sickness Fund and Dole Charities	Mr David Gallivan

The Clerk to contact Mr Sunter to find out if he is willing to attend FQP meetings and report back. If negative Mr Bowman will attend meetings. The Clerk to inform all outside bodies of the appointments.

Item 4. Public Participation

Members of the public present indicated that they wished to speak during items later on the agenda.

Item 5. To approve the minutes of the meeting of 13 May 2013

The minutes of the meeting of 13 May had been tabled in due time before the meeting. **Resolved that:** subject to minor amendment changing Gargrave to Garstang under Item 7 they be approved as a fair and accurate record and be signed as such by the Chairman.

Item 6. To receive reports for information only

The Clerk reported that the accounts for financial year 2012 – 2013 had been sent for external audit by the due date.

The barriers preventing access to Sunnybank quarry picnic site had been removed and would only be put in

place only when work was being undertaken at the site.

Item 7. Finance and administration

7.1. To approve the Financial Statement and authorise bills payable

Resolved that: the Financial Statement for June 2013 as appended to these minutes was a true and accurate record of the Council's financial position and that all due payments including additional payment to TBSU Ltd for anti-virus subscription; J N Barker for footway lights maintenance and Yorkshire Water for supply to the cemetery tap be authorised.

7.2 To consider any other financial matters

7.2.1 To note the cashbook entries for May 2013

The cash book entries for May 2013 were duly noted.

7.3. Administration

The Clerk to register the cemetery brown bin for CDC licence

Item 8. Planning Matters

8.1. Applications

No applications received.

8.2. Decisions and other planning matters

Members of the public once again registered their concerns and distress about the development being undertaken by Network Rail to the south of Horton Station.

The Clerk detailed the actions that the council had taken since the last parish council meeting and Annual Parish Meeting and reminded Councillors that Network Rail had offered to meet them on site to discuss the problems created by the development.

These could be summarised as:

- intrusive lighting
- external treatment of the building
- anti-social use at weekends, early mornings and late evenings
- continuation of development work
- presence of temporary toilet and canteen facilities
- intrusive and inappropriate fencing
- potential flooding of gardens

It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Network Rail and offer 17, 18,19 and 25 June as possible dates on which to meet with them to try to agree mitigation of the problems.

Item 9. Village Environment, Burials, Rights of Way and Highways

9.1. To give further consideration to the implementation of the Visitor and Traffic Management Plan

Cllr Fenten recommended that a Task and Finish group representative of the broad interests within the community be set up by the council. A clear strategy with specific actions and outcomes was needed. Cllr Fenten proposed the following motion:

That the Council sets up a task-and-finish working group to develop a strategy and action plan for a better management of visitors and traffic in Horton Parish and that a brief with full terms of reference be prepared by the Clerk and brought to the next meeting of the Parish Council for approval. The membership of the group to include three members of the Parish Council (chairman, vice chairman and one other member), three members from the Parish community (at least one of them from the business community), three other members from bodies like Craven DC, Highways/North Yorkshire CC and the YDNPA. The working group may consult or take advice from other interested parties and nominate other members to be confirmed by

the parish council. The number of working group members not to exceed 12.

Resolved that the motion be adopted without amendment.

The Clerk was instructed to draft a reply to a letter received from the proprietors of the Penyghent Café and to circulate this to Councillors for comment and approval.

9.2. To receive a verbal report from the Clerk on progress with Beecroft Cottages

The Clerk informed Councillors that together with a community development officer from Rural Action Yorkshire he had attended the recent Gala to promote community involvement in the proposed development of the cottages.

A public meeting was to be held on 15 June commencing 11am and finishing no later than 12.30 to further promote the project and seek volunteers to participate in a project management group. Councillors were encouraged to attend and were issued with project questionnaires to distribute to their circle of local contacts.

Item 10. To respond to correspondence received

10.1. North Yorkshire County Council – Adult Social Care priorities, consultation

Agreed that Councillors should respond to this as individuals if they so wished. A copy of the consultation document to be placed on the website and in the mobile shop and a flyer placed on notice boards.

Item 11. To report matters of information not included elsewhere on this agenda and to raise items for future agendas

The Chairman reported that she had received concerns from a parishioner about the growth of trees in the Queen Mother's avenue causing a potential traffic hazard. It was concluded that the Clerk and Cllr Middleton should together with Horton Landscaping inspect the trees, obtain a quote for any remedial work deemed necessary and bring this together with an action report to the next council meeting.

The Chairman also drew Councillor's attention to the proposed bus timetable to take effect from September 2013. It was noted that the present service would reduce by two buses a day in both directions and that in particular the loss of a mid morning bus from Settle would cause considerable inconvenience for users.

The Clerk to write to NYCC registering the council's concerns.

The Chairman had attended a meeting of YLCA. The only item of note was a recent court ruling requiring a highways authority to reimburse the cost of road repairs carried out by a council tax payer at their expense.

Item 12. To confirm the date of the next meeting scheduled for Monday 8 July 2013

Duly confirmed. To be held in the community room at the old school, Helwith Bridge.

The meeting closed at 20.45.

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....