

# HORTON-IN-RIBBLESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the Zoom platform

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.30pm.

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Councillors present – M. Hanson (Chairman), F. Durham, I. Mounsey, J. Wilson, D. Staveley (CDC), A. Blackburn (Clerk). J. Stevens (British Heart Foundation), Public present – None.

**128/20. Apologies for Absence.** None received.

**129/20. 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.

**130/20. Minutes of the Meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021.** (Resolved).

Council resolved to approve the February minutes.

**131/20. Matters Arising.** Read by the Clerk.

120/20 – The electronic banking application was ongoing, with the second round of signatures due to take place.

Other items forming the agenda.

**135/20. Three Peak Events.**

The Chairman brought forward this item and invited J. Stevens (BHF) to speak.

The BHF wish to run a three peak event on 17-18 July 2021 and sought comments from the PC. Mr Stevens explained the BHF system of facility provision and inclusion of local businesses in the event. The Clerk reiterated Government guidelines for commencement of public gatherings. Council discussed charity events and associated problems relating to such events. Council consensus is to allow charity events but they must be well managed by organisers and strict adherence to the code of conduct, also the events must adhere to any change in Government advice regarding Covid 19. **Action** – Clerk to advise all 3 Peaks enquires.

Comments had been requested from a running events company who wish to organise a 3 peaks event 21-22 December 2021, Council suggested the company contact Cave & Mountain Rescue for advice. **Action** – Clerk to liaise.

The Clerk informed Council of a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme recently set up by a Horton resident. Also Council discussed reports of a vehicle not having insurance whilst parked on a highway, Cllr Staveley had contacted the Police and was informed that all vehicles on a public highway must have adequate insurance cover.

**132/20. Consultation Report from the closed meeting held 17/02/2021, YDNP consultation response.**

The Clerk had submitted the formal response as directed by Council and contained comments as below:

The consultation document should amend table 2 pt 5 to include Kendal and Colne amongst the most frequented towns.

The perimeter of housing development as outlined by YDNP should be expanded as the present criteria could starve housing development & growth where it is needed. This should be deliberate action for local plan strategy.

Each community settlement should be evaluated over time on its own merit as housing need may change. Housing and bedroom numbers should be evaluated on a case by case basis and not deliberately set.

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### **132/20 – continued.**

A mix of different housing types including affordable types should be effectively enforced.

The proposed industrial development at Craven Works, Langcliffe, could have a real influence on genuine housing need within Ribblesdale, this potential housing need should be addressed to attract future employees of this development to live and work within the area. The Old School at Horton in Ribblesdale could be provided with more support in efforts to create and sustain a community provision including small modern technology industries.

Business premises should have a protected status in order to help sustain infrastructure which will in turn support further housing requirements.

New ideas and supporting drive required from YDNP to promote/ stimulate business development within the National Park.

Utility services have a high installation cost for any building development, increased competition from service providers could be the way forward, without this competition development costs will remain very high. YDNP to pressure all influential groups to attain viable competition within the utility service industry.

YDNP should promote a housing needs survey to establish a current need, this could be carried out periodically and especially after an infrastructure change such as the planned Craven Works Development, Langcliffe.

**133/20. Public Participation.** No public present.

### **134/20. District/ County Councillor Report.**

Cllr David Staveley will be acting District Councillor for the Penyghent Ward until the election in May 2021. The District Select Committee had identified a change in working practices with short term sickness levels well down, this was because of people working from home. There would be a change to future staff numbers within council establishments. CDC were working towards being carbon neutral by 2030.

**135/20. Three Peak Events.** Taken previously in the meeting.

### **136/20. Tarmac Liaison.**

Council discussed the recent remote meeting with Tarmac including measures to improve the Dry Rigg site with bund walls, new dust monitors, and wheel wash equipment. An asset provision for Helwith Bridge was discussed and Council would consult residents for ideas. **Action** – Clerk to compile and post mailshot to residents.

### **137/20. Helwith Bridge Car Park.**

Council discussed recent problems with the car park relative to overnight camping.

**Action** – Clerk to form a policy including a procedure to follow in the event of campers ignoring no camping signs.

**138/20. Planning Applications.** None received or advertised.

### **139/20. Highways & Street Lighting.**

Potholes reported from the Lion to The Knoll, **Action** – Clerk to investigate.

Council discussed LED street lighting and would replace old units with new following the annual risk assessment. Photocell timers were discussed, Cllr Durham suggested retro fitting to existing lamps for compliance with dark sky status.

**Action** – Council to discuss following the annual risk assessment.

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**140/20. Correspondence.**

NALC remote meetings. There was still no announcement from Government regarding extending the Coronavirus 19 regulations – remote meetings.

The devolution decision had been submitted to Government as part of their consultation response.

Resident concerns. Council discussed, and dark sky status was to be addressed by Council by the replacement of old lamps with LED units and photocell timers.

Councils Against Noise. Cllr Durham informed Council of a group that are trying to reduce the impact of motorcycle noise on local residents, she would explore further.

Thank you letter received from RBL Poppy Appeal following Council donation.

Thank you letter received from Settle Swimming Pool following Council donation.

**141/20. Financial Statement & Invoices for March 2021. (Resolved)**

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

Sydo IT – Domain hosting.

Craven District Council – Garden waste bin, cemetery.

A. Blackburn – Reimbursement, YLCA conference third cost, stamps.

A. Blackburn – salary.

E-On – street lighting.

**142/20. Date of The Next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.**

Meeting closed 9.03pm

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Chairman