

HORTON-IN-RIBBLESDALE PARISH COUNCIL P1

Parish Clerk: Andrew Blackburn

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting (AGM) held in The Village Hall on Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30pm.

Councillors present – M. Hanson, F. Durham, B. Coope, P. Sutcliffe, A. Blackburn (Clerk), Public present – Seven.

18. Election of Chairman – M. Hanson elected as Chairman – Proposed P. Sutcliffe Seconded F. Durham – **Resolved**.

19. Election of other Officers and Representatives

Vice Chairman – F. Durham elected – Proposed M. Hanson, seconded P. Sutcliffe.

Settle & District Aid in Sickness Fund Representative– M. Hanson

The Dole Charity Representative – B. Coope

School Foundation Governors Representative– K. Pilkington

YLCA Representatives – M. Hanson & A. Blackburn

20. Apologies for Absence – I. Mounsey, J. Wilson, R. Welch, NY Police.

21. Acceptance of Office, Declarations & Co-option.

B. Coope co-opted as Councillor – Proposed P. Sutcliffe, seconded M. Hanson **Resolved**. All present Councillors signed their acceptance of office.

22. 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

Dispensations received – **None**

23. Police Report – In the absence of NY Police the clerk read the report for the Parish. 19/04/18 – Domestic Incident, and 07/05/18 – Burglary at business premises, items taken. Police message - Beware of door to door sellers operating in the area.

24. Public Participation.

Electors informed Council of communication problems relating to the governing body of the former school premises and the support group in relation to its future use.

It was felt that the building would be a good parish asset if it was used effectively, and would be well supported through improved communication.

Action – Clerk to try and establish improved communications between groups on behalf of the Parish Council.

Request made to Council by the 3 Peaks Art Group for support of the forthcoming 'Three Peaks Art Trail' (30th June - 8th July). A previous request was made at the Parish Council Meeting in March (minute ref:187), but due to an interest declaration leading to a quorum shortfall, a decision could not be taken, but referred.

Council agreed in principal to a £100 donation towards the promotion of local artists.

Action – Clerk to ensure the inclusion of this item on the agenda for June.

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24. Continued – local electors dissatisfaction at the amount of dog waste bags being discarded between the Old School Premises and Bracken Bottom. It was suggested that a refuse bin located along this route may help with the problem.

Action – Clerk to liaise with CDC regarding this issue, with the possibility of siting a refuse bin at this location.

25. Minutes of the meeting held 12th March 2018, and 9th April - Approved

26. Matters Arising – Actions

Reference to item 23, donation to the 'Three Peaks Art Trail'.

27. General Power of Competence (Localism act 2011)

Council reviewed the General Power of Competence Document as presented by the Clerk and resolved to pass the following resolution:

“The Parish Council resolves from 14th May 2018, until the next relevant Annual Meeting of the Council, that having met the conditions of eligibility as defined in the Localism act 2011 and SI 965 The Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012, to adopt the General Power of Competence”

Proposed – M. Hanson, seconded P. Sutcliffe (**Resolved**)

28. Helwith Bridge Picnic Site – Camping, signage.

Council discussed the new parking signs at the site which seem to have achieved the objective of alleviating parking issues for local residents.

The problem of camping at this site was discussed.

Action – Clerk to research no camping signage for inclusion on June's agenda.

29. Affordable Housing Lands

Clerk informed Council that communication had taken place in efforts to locate land for the Affordable Housing Scheme, and are awaiting any replies.

30. Crown Footbridge - Lamp

Clerk informed Council of the three options available from Harrison & Cross.

Council discussed price options, and required an additional quotation.

Action – Clerk to pursue an additional quotation for work.

31. Electronic Speed Sign - (Update)

The new electronic speed sign had now been recently installed with the Clerk having received two compliments from local residents on its effectiveness.

Data collection should advise as to statistics for any speed infringements, this can be used as evidence to present to the road traffic authority/ Police.

Action – Clerk to enquire for data downloading procedure.

32. Planning Applications

The following planning applications were viewed and discussed by Council:

C/44/151 & C/44/151P/LB – Foxwood farm, Newhouses - **Approved**

C/44/133F – Studfold Lower barn - **Approved**

Action – Clerk to submit decisions

33. Correspondence Received

The Internal Audit report was read by the Chairman with comments discussed.
Insurance in relation to assets was considered particularly with the increase of value following renewal and replacement costs.

The report was accepted by Council.

Action – Clerk to enquire as to costings for asset insurance.

Bulletin from SLCC advising of House of Commons acceptance of the amendment to the GDPR. This will exempt Parish Councils from having to employ a Data Protection Officer, all other legislative requirements will have to be met by 25th May 2018.

Action – Clerk to prepare for implementation of the act.

First precept payment received from CDC.

Le Petit Depart – Sun 3rd June posters received.

Chairman informed Council of a request made for a reduction in burial costs, council to consider after review of charges.

Action – Clerk to circulate procedure & charges for Councillors.

34. Highways & Street lighting

Clerk informed Council of the problem relating to the number of trees that have had to be felled adjacent to Overlands because of the winds, the Parish Council had so far stood the cost but recommended that future tree felling would be better implemented by the land owner (NYCC).

35. Financial Statements & Invoices for Payment.

Council approved the NJC 2% cost of living increase for Employees (**Resolved**)

Council approved statements and invoices (**Resolved**)

R. Davidson – Tree Felling

R. Davidson – Posts H. Bridge

R. Davidson – Speed Sign Post

Parish Online – Subscription

Sydo IT – Web Domain

Harrison & Cross – Street Lamps (Units)

Harrison & Cross – Street Lamps (Labour)

EON – Street Lighting

J. Bownass – Internal Audit

Horton Landscapes Ltd – Grass Cutting

A. Blackburn – Admin & Purchased items

A. Blackburn – Salary inc Holiday Payments

36. To Arrange The Date of The Next Parish Council Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting – Monday 21st May 2018

Parish Council Meeting – Monday 11th June 2018.

..... Chairman