

THORNTON LE DALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 6th March 2012 at the Hill Memorial Institute

Councillors Present: P Mills (Chairman), G Acomb, D Porter, R Hetherington, J Garbutt, J Avison.

In Attendance: F Snowden (Clerk), N Baxter (Press).

Absent: I Biggins.

Code of Conduct:

The Chairman declared an interest to an item in the Clerk's report, Grazing Rights to field OS 3400.

72. Apologies:

Cllr. I Biggins.

73. Public Questions:

The PC was informed that the Institute clock was not showing the right time.

Action: The Clerk to contact Smiths of Derby.

74. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council:

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2012 were received.

Resolved: THAT the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th February 2012 be approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

Matters Arising

Playing Field – The Chairman was unable to attend the site meeting. Cllr Garbutt and Cllr Porter attended and reported back to the PC.

Resolved: THAT the PC awaits the outcome of the Associations annual review of the play park done in September, which includes health and safety and a risk assessment.

Environment Agency – Mat Smith from the Environment Agency will be conducting a site visit tomorrow to assess the silting of the beck and also the condition of the wall side of the beck on Maltongate, which was reported by the Care Taker as needing attention.

The Care Taker has completed a review of the benches in the Parishes. There is one bench in Priestmans Lane in bad condition. Where memorial benches are moved, the purchaser needs to be notified.

Action: The Chairman and Cllr Acomb to have a look where the new memorial bench could be positioned.

Internet Banking **Action:** The Clerk to have a meeting to discuss options with the bank.

75. Accounts for Payment and Financial Report:

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for payment.

Resolved: THAT the list of accounts circulated be passed for payment and cheques signed in accordance with the accounts submitted.

76. Planning Applications:

North York Moors National Park

Case Officer: **Mrs H Saunders**
Application No: **NYM/2012/0131/FL**
Site: **Herongarth, Maltongate, Thornton le Dale.**

Development Description: **Application for construction of 1 no. replacement dwelling with attached garage, associated access and landscaping (resubmission following withdrawal of NYM/2011/0679/FL).**

Applicant: **Mrs M Armstrong**

Resolved: THAT Members of this Council **Support** this application.

Ryedale District Council

Case Officer: **Mr M Mortonson**
Application No: **11/00991/FUL**
Site: **Prospect House Farm, Bean Sheaf Lane, Pickering.**

Development Description: **Amended application for erection of 15kw wind turbine on a 15m mast (overall tip height 21.9m) to generate electricity for on farm use.**

Applicant: **Mr Richard Laley**

Resolved: THAT Members of this Council have **No Objection** to this application.

77. Planning Determinations:

There were no Planning Determinations.

78. Chairman's Report:

The Chairman spoke about the up coming celebration for the Queens Diamond Jubilee. Cllr Garbutt updated Cllrs with the Traders Associations plans for a celebration. The Chairman proposed the PC make a contribution to the Jubilee festivities.

Resolved: THAT Cllrs support the initiative to make a contribution to the Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations organised by the Traders, once plans are finalised.

The Chairman of the Village Hall Committee suggested that the tree for the Queens Jubilee, to go in the grounds of the Village Hall, be a Oriental Cherry Tree.

79. Clerks Report:

The Clerk informed the PC that the Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st May 2012, in accordance with the PC’s Standing Orders. Cllr Avison informed the PC she would be unable to attend the Annual Meeting.

Resolved: THAT the Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st May 2012.

The Clerk gave Cllrs a copy of the PC’s Cemetery fees and also a copy of Pickering Town Council and Kirkbymoorside Town Council’s Cemetery fees for comparison. The Clerk also informed Cllrs of the Cemetery’s expenditure and income figures for 2011/12.

Resolved: THAT Thornton le Dale Cemetery fees are rounded up to the nearest pound with the exception of the charge for searches and headstones which be round down to the nearest pound.

Action: The Clerk to amend the figures and charge the amended fees from the 1st April 2012.

Due to the Chairman expressing an interest in this item at the beginning of the meeting, the Vice Chairman chaired the following item.

The Clerk informed Cllrs that there was only one bid for £180, for the grazing rights to the bull field for 2012/13.

Resolved: THAT Peter Mills is granted grazing rights to the bull field from April 2012 to March 2013.

Action: The Clerk to send out a tenancy agreement to the new tenant.

80. Any Other Business:

The Clerk received a letter from the Allotment Association and also a separate letter from an Allotment holder. The letters were circulated to Cllrs prior to the meeting. A representative from the Association was unable to attend the meeting.

Action: The Clerk to reply to the letters expressing Cllrs comments. Also the Clerk to write to allotment holders once they have paid making them aware of the date, time and venue of the next Allotment Associations meeting.
The Chairman to get a quote for a noticeboard for the allotment and also a quote for number posts for each of the allotment plots, to enable the PC to identify which plot is which.
The Clerk to ask the Care Taker to have a look at the plots and notify the Clerk if any are overgrown.

Cllr Porter informed the PC that Radio York had announced that an organisation has been allowed to extract gas from somewhere in Thornton le Dale. The PC was not aware of this.

Action: The Chairman to enquire.

With no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd April 2012, in the Hill Memorial Institute at 7.30pm.

Chairman.....