

THORNTON LE DALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 3rd November 2011 at the Hill Memorial Institute

Councillors: P Mills (Chairman), D Porter, R Hetherington, I Biggins, J Garbutt.

In Attendance: F Snowden (Clerk).

Code of Conduct:

No Declarations of Interest were declared at the beginning of the meeting.

30. Apologies: Cllr. J Avison,
Cllr. G Acomb,
Cllr. J Garbutt will be arriving late.

31. Public Questions:

A Parishioner expressed their disappointment that not all the Parish Cllrs were present at the gas plant enquiry. The Chairman pointed out to the Parishioner that attending the enquiry was down to individual Cllrs and their commitments.

32. Minutes of the Meeting of the Council:

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th October 2011 were received.

Cllr Hetherington requested that the £500.00 set up fee for the Parish Council's inclusion in the Community Website be added to the minutes. Also that the typing error in the date of the gas plant enquiry be amended to the 1st November 2011.

Resolved: THAT the amended Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 2011 be approved and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

Matters Arising

Signage – The Chairman informed the Council that we now have a drawing of the proposed signage but as the drawing is unclear, the Chairman has requested further information.

Ancient Monument – Stocks to be repaired.

New Homes Bonus – It is still undecided how NYMNP will disperse the bonus.

33. 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.

34. Planning Applications:

North York Moors National Park

Case Officer: **Mrs H Saunders**

Application No: **NYM/2011/0636/ETL**

Grid Reference: **483233 482326**

Site: **Hallgarth Farm, Westgate, Thornton le Dale.**

Development Description: **Application for extension to time limit of extant Listed Building consent NYM/2008/0618/LB for conversion of agricultural buildings to form 2.no dwellings and residential annexe together with demolition of 2 no. farm buildings.**

Applicant: **Mr & Mrs Potter**

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

Case Officer: **Mrs H Saunders**

Application No: **NYM/2011/0552/FL**

Grid Reference: **483464 483085**

Site: **Brook Lane, Thornton le Dale.**

Development Description: **Application for construction of 1 no.dwelling with amenity space together with creation of amenity space for existing 2 no.flats at land.**

Applicant: **Mr W Balderson**

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

Case Officer: **Mrs H Saunders**

Application No: **NYM/2011/0683/CD**

Grid Reference: **483383 482388**

Site: **Herongarth, Maltongate, Thornton le Dale.**

Development Description: **Application for Conservation Area consent for demolition of 1 no. dwelling.**

Applicant: **Mrs Armstrong**

Resolved: THAT Members of this Council **Object** to this application.

Cllr. I Garbutt arrived at the meeting 7.55pm

Case Officer: **Miss Helen Webster**

Application No: **NYM/2011/0709/FL**

Grid Reference: **483972 483060**

Site: **1 Dale View, Thornton le Dale.**

Development Description: **Application for construction of single storey side extension, construction of pitched roof over existing garage with alterations to windows and doors (revised scheme to NYM/2010/0814/FL)**

Applicant: **Mr D Ainsworth**

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

Case Officer: **Mrs H Saunders**

Application No: **NYM/2011/0679/FL**

Grid Reference: **483754 483205**

Site: **Herongarth, Maltongate, Thornton le Dale.**

Development Description: **Application for construction of 1 no. replacement dwelling with attached garage, associated access and landscaping.**

Applicant: **Mrs M Armstrong**

Resolved: THAT Members of this Council **Object** to this application.

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Application No: **11/00991/FUL**

Site: **Prospect House Farm, Bean Sheaf Lane, Pickering.**

Development Description: **Application for erection of 15kw wind turbine on a 15m mast (overall tip height 19.4m) to generate electricity for on farm use.**

Applicant: **Mr John Stables**

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

35. Planning Determinations:

There are no planning determinations.

For Information Only:

NYM/2011/0455/FL

Mr Morrison – Installation of Photovoltaic Solar Panels to Roof of Garage, Solar Thermal Panel to Roof of Main Dwelling and Erection of Summerhouse at The Forge, 1 Thornton View, Thornton Dale.

Approved – subject to conditions.

For Information Only:

NYM/2011/0597/LB

York Heritage – Application for Listed Building consent for proposed extensions to form additional accommodation and hairdressing facility together with the creation of stretcher lift at The Hall, Chestnut Avenue, Thornton le Dale.

Approved – subject to conditions.

36. Parish Plan:

The current Parish Plan runs out in 2013. The impact the Neighbourhood Plan will have in regards to the Parish Plan is still unknown.

Resolved: THAT the Parish Plan be kept on the agenda for the next meeting for Cllrs to review the existing plan.

Action: THAT the Chairman asks NYMNPA Chris France for any developments regarding the Neighbourhood Plan.

37. Chairman's Report:

The Chairman informed the Council that the accounts audit he and Cllr J Garbutt carried out was completed before the deadline of 31st October 2011 and that the accounts were satisfactory.

Resolved: THAT the Parish Council work towards having the accounts electronic by April 2012, instead of keeping a manual ledger, to avoid repetitive work and to ensure the Parish Council's documents are electronically backed up. Also that all documentation regarding planning applications be shredded to avoid unnecessary storing of documents. THAT the Parish Council explores different methods of recording the Cemetery records, as the current maps are in a bad condition.

Action: THAT the Clerk explores how other authorities record Cemetery records and reports any findings at the next meeting. THAT the Clerk shreds all documentation relating to past planning applications.

The Chairman presented a report by Cllr. Acomb on the Westgate Housing project. Cllr. Acomb attended a meeting with Sanctuary Housing and Mr Colin Huby from Scarborough and Ryedale Rural Housing. Cllrs expressed concerns regarding the application process and criteria for future occupants.

Action: THAT the Clerk writes a letter to Mr Colin Huby expressing the concerns of the Parish Council and requests a copy of the full list of applicants.

The Chairman informed Cllrs that he attended a meeting with the Clerk, Cllr. J Garbutt and Shirley Ruston the Creative Director from Bramble Creative who has produced the Community Website. The Parish Council will be adding to the site in bite size chunks and an introduction stating the objectives for the Parish Council web pages has now been put together and sent to Shirley.

The Chairman updated Cllrs on the issue of safety on the road outside the Playing Field. It was reported that the sandpit in the playing field is now regularly inspected for cat faeces.

Action: THAT the Clerk organises a meeting between Highways, PC Andy Marsden, The Playing Field Committee and The Parish Council to discuss the issue of safety and possible solutions.

The Chairman proposed that the Conifers in the Cemetery which are obstructing pathways, be trimmed, but if this is not possible then cut down and replaced with more appropriate trees possibly flowering cherries and almonds. It was also reported, that the hedges in the Cemetery, require trimming.

It was proposed that a tree be planted in the grounds of the Village Hall to mark the Queens Jubilee in 2012.

Resolved: THAT a tree be planted in the grounds of the Village Hall to mark the Queens Jubilee in 2012.

Action: THAT the Clerk contacts the Tree Officer at NYMNP to arrange a site visit at the Cemetery. Cllr I Biggins to meet with the Tree Officer. THAT the Clerk asks the Care Taker to inspect and if necessary trim the Cemetery hedges.

38. Clerk's Report:

The Clerk notified the Council that Councillor Janet Sanderson had been elected as Councillor for the Thornton le Dale and Wolds Division, at the election held on 27th October 2011.

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue have conducted a site visit to determine where a speed recording device can be placed. The device is now up and running and the Parish Council now await a report of its findings once the recording is complete.

The Clerk informed the Council that the electrical works to the Church clock were complete. Unfortunately the interruption to the electricity flow to the clock, caused it to stopped. Cumbria Clocks are returning week commencing 14th November to complete the automation of the Church clock.

39. Any Other Business:

Various damages to graves in the cemetery had been reported to Cllrs.

Action: THAT the Clerk contacts the grass cutting contractor to report the damage and ask that extra care be taken when cutting around the headstones.

Cllr D Porter reported complaints from parishioners regarding cars parking on the road side at Mathewsons Garage causing an obstruction on the road.

Action: THAT the Clerk writes to Mr Mathewson asking that customers viewing the cars for sale are reminded not to park on the road side.

Cllr R Hetherton asked if any Cllr had been in regular contact with Mike Beckett regarding the gas plant. Cllrs present, responded that they have had no regular dealing with Mr Beckett in relation to the gas plant.

The Chairman requested that the monies owed to the Methodist Church for the hire of the Church for the Gas Plant Enquiry, be paid by the Parish Council and then repaid to the Parish Council by County Council.

Action: THAT the Clerk arranges the payment of £120.00 hire fee to the Methodist Church.
THAT the Chairman chases up the payment from County Council.

It was reported that the street light and external light on the public conveniences is not working.

Action: THAT the Clerk contacts Ryedale District Council to repair the lights.

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

A short closed meeting followed the ordinary meeting.

Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th December 2011 in the Hill Memorial Institute at 7.30pm.

Chairman.....