

Minutes
Burton-in-Lonsdale Parish Council Meeting
7.30pm Thursday 23rd February 2017
Village Hall, Burton in Lonsdale

Present: Cllrs. Handley (Chairman), Mason, Salrein, Sedgwick and Shaw. One member of public.

In attendance: the Clerk.

Apologies: Cllrs. Tate and Thompson.

1 Code of Conduct and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

To record any Councillor's Disclosable Pecuniary Interest relating to this Agenda's items

There were none.

2 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting of 26th January 2017 and Recreation Committee meeting of 16th February 2017

Resolved

The Minutes of the above meetings were accepted as an accurate record, with one amendment: Item 9b Riverside Land Maintenance: wording amended to read "To photograph at regular intervals the area to record outward appearance..." Minutes to be signed at the end of the meeting.

3 Matters Arising re: full Council meeting of 26 January and Recreation Committee meeting of 16th February 2017 Minutes, if not on Agenda.

Street/main drains: Cllr Sedgwick brought to meeting's attention the drain at Chapel and Leeming Lanes junction is over-flowing. The Clerk confirmed United Utilities was informed on 22nd February, and repairs were being made during 23rd February. It was also noted that there appears to be a problem with domestic waste water drainage nearby; the householder will be contacted.

4 Public Questions or Statements

There were none.

5 Reports

a) Police: no report.

b) North Yorks County Councillor: no report from Cllr Ireton. The following was discussed:

- Countryside Access Service - Public Consultation

Most of the routes radiating from Burton are recommended to be Grade C, with the exception of Footpath 6 between Barnoldswick Lane (Kepp House end) and Lund Farm. Local volunteer David Gibson suggested this section should be upgraded to Grade C (from D), as it continues the connection between Burton and Ingleton and is well used. This was further confirmed by Councillors aware of Duke of Edinburgh Award walkers and adult walking groups using the route regularly, between Burton and Ingleton.

Resolved

To inform NYCC of above information and suggesting a change in the footpath designation. Footpaths 3 and 4 (via Whitber and the Threabers respectively) to remain as Grade D, in view of lower usage.

- Grit bin purchase and replenishment costs

The Clerk reported small grit bins (30 litre and 50 litre) can be purchased for between £50 and £80, and rock salt for about £3.50/25kg bag.

There followed a lengthy discussion covering:

- NYCC criteria for providing bin free of charge
- if a bin provided, an able bodied person would be needed to spread grit
- if parish council provided a bin where NYCC did not, additional requests from residents may be forthcoming, giving rise to further expense

Resolved

To ask NYCC to assess site on Ireby Road for supplying free of charge a grit bin.

c) Craven District Councillors

Planning Matters

Consent: 15/2016/17658, 17659 (listed building), 11 High Street

This permission was noted.

d) Clerk: YLCA, Correspondence

The Clerk reported YLCA is doing a training session at Grassington on 13th March re the Transparency Code. As this council appears to be fulfilling the Code's requirements, the Clerk will not be attending.

e) Battle's Over: Commemoration 11 Nov 2018: update

Cllr Thompson has Mr Booth's agreement the beacon can be sited on Castle Hill, and to remind him later, during 2018.

Cllr. Sedgwick suggested heavy vehicles would have difficulty going over soft/wet ground at that time of year.

Resolved

To research brazier and fire materials prices as an alternative.

6 Finance Matters

a) Bank balances, including receipts since statement date

The Clerk reported the bank balances as per the Appendix. There will be approximately £8,000 at year end uncommitted to a specific item. This is subject to change between now and year end at 31st March 2017.

b) Approval of payments of budgeted and non budgeted items

Resolved

To approve the payments as per the Appendix.

c) Settle Swimming Pool: request for donations

A detailed discussion covered the following points made by different councillors:

- The number of Burton residents using Settle Pool and Ingleton Pool and the benefits for those residents
- Both Settle and Ingleton Pools are community-run
- Hornby Pool is very likely to be closed by Lancashire County Council at the end of March; it is possible this pool will also be community-run. This pool is also used by Burton residents.
- If a donation made at this point in the financial year, it would set a precedent to make unscheduled donations to other organisations.
- Donation applications should be invited prior to the budget making period (ie October/November) so that they can be included in the annual budget.

Resolved

To write to Settle Pool and tell the committee the request for financial support will be kept on file, and will be considered at the time of considering the 2018-19 budget.

To give consideration to donations to Ingleton, Settle and possibly Hornby Pool, should it become community owned, when drawing up the 2018-19 budget.

7 Parish Councillor Reports

- a) Village Hall Committee: Cllr Salrein commented that whilst there were no committee meetings, a lot seemed to be done to the Hall.
- b) Bentham Common Lands Charity: no report
- c) Woodland Trust: no report.
- d) Local Footpath Volunteers: no report

8 Recreation Committee

- Play Area inspection reports: the area is being monitored on a regular basis.
- Pavilion: bookings, maintenance, including cleaning: the bookings are mostly at weekends for football matches; there are occasional bookings for children's parties. January income was £100 for the Field and Pavilion.

9 Maintenance Reports

- a) Village Green, including War Memorial
 - Roadway condition: progress report: the potholes have been reported, but just one has been marked up ready for repair. Clerk to contact NYCC.
- b) Riverside Land: turf damage
Cllr. Mason reported the damage has been made good by United Utilities; however further ruts, not made by UU vehicles and about one car's length, have appeared, and require levelling. Cllr. Sedgwick volunteered to look at the area after lambing finished.
- c) Very Old and Separate Churchyard: inclusion in Craven Local Plan as protected Green Open Space. It was noted this area is now included in the Craven District Council's Local Plan Green Open Space list, as well as the current churchyards.
- d) Street Lighting: no report.
- e) Public benches: no report.
- f) Public Footpaths: no report

**10 Items to be included by Clerk in press release
Resolved**

To report the NYCC Countryside access proposals and this council's recommendation for a revision of Footpath 6 classification.

**11 Date, time and venue next monthly Parish Council meeting
7.30pm, 23rd March 2017, in the Village Hall**

The meeting finished at 8.33pm.

Signed

Date

Appendix

Bank Balances, including receipts

Current Account at 15.02.17	300.00
Business Reserve A/c at 15.02.17	<u>25,457.60</u>
	25,757.60
Less unrepresented cheques at 15.02.17	0.00
receipts for Feb 2017 included:	
Interest (Feb 2017)	0.24
Rec Field and Pavilion Bookings (Jan 17)	100.00
	<u>25,757.60</u>

Commitments as at 23 February 2017

Contingency Fund	2,000.00
Very Old and Separate Churchyard:	
Lych Gate Restoration (200 +500)	700.00
Safety Notice, grass (150, 220.25) & memorials (850) & 190	960.25
Clerk's Retirement Gratuity provn YLCA re-calc at 11/14 (£308 not reallocated)	2,156.00
Sports Pavilion Maintenance Fund (£1,000 pa, Minute 7e 28 Nov 2013, £644.25 insurance)	1,884.00
Budget remaining inc Feb. payments (net of VAT)	9,834.78
	<u>17,535.03</u>

Payments February 2017

Extra Energy direct debit 2.2.17	21.36
2074 M. Illsley: maint materials for pavilion	92.31
2075 Post Office (Yorkshire Water 3rd qtr 15.11.16-13.02.17)	64.61
2076 C Edmondson re pavilion inspections/cleaning Feb 2017	30.00
2077 S Gregory: salary Feb 2017	155.01
2078 Post Office/HMRC re PAYE Feb 2017	38.60
	<u>401.89</u>