

MINUTES FROM THE BORROWBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16TH MARCH AT 8.00 PM IN BORROWBY VILLAGE HALL

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from County Cllr G Dadd and District Cllr B Baker. Present: the Chairman (Cllr F Wachsberger, the Vice Chairman (Cllr D Craig), Cllr D Bell, Cllr E Town, Cllr J Dack, the Clerk and seven members of the public.

2. Minutes

The minutes from the meeting held on 23rd February, which were previously circulated and read, were agreed and signed after an amendment to 10.2 (bringing the items to the attention of the Charity Field trustees).

3. Matters arising

3.1 Cllr Bell said that he had removed the stones beside the road near the iron bridge on the corner on Allerton Wath road but they had since been put back by someone.

3.2 Fencing at Woundales – the Chairman has sent a photo to Highways of the broken fencing near the beck in need of repair. Cllr Bell said that the Council had repaired the fence before and, if there was a need for it in the first place, there was a need for it now.

3.3 The Chairman mentioned the new £35/ bin charge for the green bin service.

3.4 Hedges in Borrowby. It had been raised that the hedge just beyond the lower junction to the village near The Mill just before the bridge is growing out into the main road. Cllr Town said that the resident is aware it needs trimming. It was said that Highways had cut it in the past – Clerk to notify Highways.

4. Update from County and District Councillors if present

None were present.

5. Update from Borrowby Parish Councillors

Cllr Dack said that the travelling post van is now stopping at the bottom of the village; he said this explains the recent appearance of the green boxes on the telegraph poles for the internet connection. He said the post office calls at Borrowby on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The other Parish Councillors had nothing further to raise.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Clerks & Councils Direct magazine.

6.2 Highways – Notice of York Road closure for works 15/03/17.

6.3 Hambleton Area Committee Meeting 06/03/17.

6.4 HDC Business awards. Nominations for individuals and businesses in the area can be nominated from 1st March to 29th May.

6.5 Tesco 'Bags of Help' funding. Applications invited for funds for community projects.

6.6 Parish Liaison Meeting. Thursday 18th May at 7.00 pm, Civic Centre, Northallerton.

6.7 Lisa Hughes, Cockstride House, Borrowby. She states that the charity field may have been re-seeded but is waterlogged and in poor condition for the animals and she wanted the Parish Council to be aware of the ongoing situation. Cllr Bell said that it is the responsibility of the charity field trustees and the letter is to be brought to their attention. It was reported that the matter was 'in-hand'. (See 10.1).

7. Planning

7.1 Application to fell 2 birch trees at Ashford Cottage for Mr Peter Johnson (17/00392/CAT) – one is near a BT pole/wires and the other is near the house and water source. Replied with no objections.

7.2 Permission granted for works to trees in a conservation area at Hillcrest for Mrs Sally Wilson (17/00094/CAT).

8. Finance

<u>Cheques:</u> Clerk's Salary	£250.00
HMRC	£5.00

9. Any Other Business

9.1 NYCC is consulting until 19th March on proposals to changes in footpath management.

9.2 Cllr Craig had been approached by a resident about the condition of Bob Lane. Cllr Craig had said it is not an adopted lane.

9.3 Cllr Bell said that there are still dogs running loose whilst the resident rides a horse. The Parish Council had sent a letter about their concern to the resident but the dogs are still running loose. The Chairman said it there is concern for the welfare of the dogs and there are dangers to vehicles. The Chairman is will mention the problem to the dog warden.

9.4 The Chairman suggested planting some crocuses in the village – he said how nice they had looked in other villages. Clerk to look into the 'Bags for Help' funding.

10. Open Forum

10.1 The tenant of the charity field responded to the complaints about the condition of the field (see 6.7). He said he is trying to make improvements to the field, but his animals are well looked after. The Chairman said that this is a matter for the trustees of the charity field, but as the field is within the community, is important that the Parish Council is aware of the situation and to hear both sides of the matter.

10.2 A resident said that when applying to subscribe to the green bin service he was asked for his age and questioned why the Council need to know this. Clerk to enquire.

11. Date of next meeting

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and said the next meeting was on Thursday April 27th at 7.30 pm with the Open Parish Meeting followed by the April Parish Council Meeting. The meeting was closed at 9.10 pm.