

## **BORROWBY PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2005 Commencing at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllrs D Bell I Hepburn  
Mrs A Johnson Mrs C Thornton

There was a gallery of 30 persons.

#### **MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2005 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed the new Parish Councillor Mr Gordon Weir (Mr Rik Royall having resigned).

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

11.04.05 Victim Support – Donation  
11.04.05 Rural Community Council - Affordable housing  
12.04.05 HDC – Notices. Election, County/Parliament  
14.04.05 HDC – Planning application, Mrs Petch, Bob Lane  
15.04.05 HDC – Revised planning application, Mr J Clarke, Woundales  
20.04.05 NYCC – Parish Council representative  
20.04.05 HDC – Local Development Framework, circulated  
23.04.05 HDC – Notices. County and General Election, notice boards  
23.04.05 NYCC – Confirmation grass cutting bulk contract  
28.04.05 HDC - Planning application, Cross Keys Farm  
28.04.05 HDC – Planning approval, Mr Luscombe, Auckland House  
30.04.05 Hambleton Community Safety – Launch Event 22.05.05  
03.05.05 HDC – Half yearly precept, £1313.00  
03.05.05 Hillside Rural Activities – Request for Parish Council support  
05.05.05 Lloyds TSB – Bank statement  
05.05.05 HDC – Planning application, Mr C Davidson, South Villa  
05.05.05 BTCV – Environmental Improvement Scheme  
18.05.05 HDC – Felling of tree, Mrs C Finch, Mount Pleasant  
18.05.04 NYCC – Hambleton Area Committee, newsletter circulated  
19.05.05 Hambleton Community – Safety Strategy, circulated  
20.05.05 NYCC – Road closure from 23.05.05, notice boards  
24.05.05 Health and Safety – Work at height, circulated  
24.05.05 HDC – Planning application, 2 windows, village hall

#### **PLANNING**

Mr J Clarke, Woundales – refused  
Mrs Petch, Bob Lane – refused

## **FLOODING**

Councillor Mrs Johnson informed the meeting that further sand bags are to be provided and requested the new Parish Council to allow the Borrowby Drainage Improvement Group to continue.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

Thefts from houses, outbuildings and cars (particularly Vauxhalls) have increased in Thirsk and surrounding villages. Police remind everyone to be security conscious and report any suspicious behaviour to them on 0845 6363247.

For the second time recently Alderson pictures have been stolen from local houses, telephone 01609 789455 with any information. It is recommended that valuables are kept out of view and that photographs are taken of them as a record.

Mrs Johnson is retiring as Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator for the bottom of the village, anyone interested in continuing this important work (preferably someone on the internet) please contact a Parish Councillor.

## **ELECTION OF NEW CONCILLORS**

Following the resignation of three Councillors on the 30th April the Clerk received advice from Hambleton District Council on the effect of co-opting replacement Councillors. Two choices were given, the first is for one of the retiring Councillors to continue until the end of May or delegate the Clerk to take responsibility of all council functions. The Clerk could, with the approval of the two remaining Councillors, co-opt any new members. It was agreed at the meeting to delegate the Clerk

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Clerk is in the process of compiling a balance sheet for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2004 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005 which Mr Gareth Sykes has agreed to audit. This will be placed on the village notice boards two weeks prior to the next meeting.

The following expenditure was approved and the necessary cheques issued:

Rental of village hall	£ 35.00
Administration expenses	£ 28.29
Petrol (Chairman)	£ 8.00
Cricket Club (National Grid donation)	£250.00

The Annual Insurance Renewal from Allianz/Cornhill has been received due on the 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2005. This has been increased from £248.98 per annum to £301.48, an increase of 21%. It was agreed by the Committee that this was accepted and paid by the due date.

At this point in the proceedings the Chairman, Councillor Derek Bell, was presented with a framed certificate to commemorate his service as Councillor and Chairman of Borrowby Parish Council. He was also invited, together with his wife Margaret to join present and previous Councillors to a dinner at the Wheatsheaf Inn, Borrowby.

Following this Councillor Bell presented the two retiring Councillors and the Clerk with a bottle of wine in recognition of their valued support during his years in office.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**LOCAL LICENSING BILL 2003**

The Landlord of the Wheatsheaf Inn, Mr Paul Thomas-Peter, outlined the new bill which comes into force in September 2005 and its effect on the village public house. The main points of the bill are as follows:

- Permitted hours abolished
- Premises that sell alcohol
- New system of personal licenses
- Licenses issued by District Councils not Magistrates
- For existing premises you can continue with the licence you already hold or you have an opportunity to vary your licence.

The Wheatsheaf Inn does not intend to vary its licence which includes existing permitted hours, a supper hour extension, New Year’s Eve and bank holiday extensions. Trading hours will continue to be 5.30pm to 11.00pm Monday to Thursday, 5.30pm to midnight on Friday, 11.00am to midnight on Saturday and 12 noon to 4.00pm and 7.30pm to 11.30pm on Sunday.

The Chairman thanked Mr Thomas-Peter for explaining to those present the changes in the licensing laws and its effect on the Wheatsheaf Inn.

**HAMBLETON RURAL HOUSING**

The Chairman introduced Ms Fiona Coleman, Hambleton Rural Housing Enable who had been invited to speak on affordable housing in rural Yorkshire.

This project is part funded by the Countryside Agency Hambleton District Council and a number of housing associations its purpose to provide affordable housing in rural Yorkshire.

The aim is to ensure that any person, occupying the affordable units built within a community, should be from the Parish, have an established link to the Parish or would provide an economic benefit to the community. Only if a person within this category is not found then applicants from neighbourhood Parishes within the local authority area can apply.

Ms Coleman stated that eight houses have been allocated for Borrowby provided land is made available to build these units with a rentable value of approximately £70.00 per week.

As there were no questions the Chairman thanked Ms Coleman for taking the time to explain her role in providing affordable housing.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Date of next meeting to be arranged

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed ..... Dated.....

