

## **BORROWBY PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 16th June 2004 Commencing at 8.00 pm**

**Present** Cllrs D Bell R Royall Mrs A Johnson

**Apologies** Cllr I Hepburn

There was a gallery of 34 persons

### **MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2004 were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

### **MATTERS ARISING**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 11.06.04 HDC – Free Workshop, Health and Safety
- 11.06.04 HDC – New property address, Mr P Dennis
- 12.06.04 HDC – New Planning Application forms
- 12.06.04 North Yorkshire Police – Response to our letter dated 11.05.04
- 22.06.04 HDC – Election nomination, Christine Thornton
- 24.06.04 HDC – Amended council nomination
- 25.06.04 HDC – Council Election timetable
- 25.06.04 Yorkshire Water – Will provide gravel for Bob Lane
- 25.06.04 Charity Commission – News Letter, circulated
- 25.06.04 NYCC – Local Government Review, circulated
- 26.06.04 HDC – Village hall plan, Back Lane, withdrawn
- 26.06.04 NYCC – Community Conference, 17.09.04
- 29.06.04 HDC – Flood Forum minutes and attachments, circulated
- 30.06.04 Lloyds TSB – Confirmation of amended signatories, circulated
- 01.07.04 NYCC – Condition of road signs, circulated
- 02.07.04 HDC – The Green, Borrowby, renamed Post Office House, circulated
- 05.07.04 HDC – Tree felling approved, Mr M D Keast
- 07.07.04 HDC – Official notice of election, notice boards

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Mrs & Mrs P Dennis – Alterations and single storey extension at Leake Garth approved by Hambleton District Council.  
Mrs P Broadhurst – Property name change from Field Cottage to Field House.  
Mr M Keast – Application to fell trees approved by Borrowby Parish Council.  
Hutchinson Ltd – Installation of radio base and mast at Woundales rejected on the basis that approval for a mast in Knayton had been approved, two in the radius of one mile not acceptable.

## **PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION**

The Chairman informed the meeting that the election of one Councillor will take place on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2004. Councillor Bell stated that he understood that ten names had been forwarded to Hambleton District Council. If it is the intention of the ten to contest the seat the election would cost the Parish Council in the region of £500. The last day for delivery of nominations and candidate's consent to nomination is noon Friday 18<sup>TH</sup> June, 2004.

## **YORKSHIRE WATER – BOB LANE**

We have been advised by Yorkshire Water that they do not own Bob Lane, they are, however, prepared to assist with the repair. It was agreed that the clerk would write and request that they provide the necessary stone and that the residents would provide the labour to carry out the necessary repairs.

## **RESITING OF THE MAIL BOX**

Following a site visit by Royal Mail they have suggested that the mail box is moved to the right hand side of the monument near to the car park. This was agreed and the clerk was requested to confirm this in writing to Royal Mail.

## **POLICING BORROWBY VILLAGE**

Following a letter to Thirsk police dated 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2004 in which answers to three questions listed in the minutes of 10<sup>th</sup> May were requested Ms Val Broadley, local Area Commander replied as follows-

Genuine emergency calls i.e. response in 15-20 minutes  
 Calls where the police can make real impact by achieving an early response and in any case within 2 hours  
 Calls which can best be dealt with by establishing a mutually convenient time to visit

You mention a vehicle parked less than 10 metres from a junction. It seems to me that you have an offending vehicle in mind. We can take action where a vehicle is parked in a dangerous position or causing unnecessary obstruction. Please let me have details of the vehicle and where it is parked and I will task an officer to assess the situation and if necessary deal with the offender.

## **NATIONAL GRID - DONATION**

The Chairman informed the meeting that he was unable to take part in any discussion on this subject due to his declared interest.

Before handing over the Chair to Mrs Ann Johnson the Chairman pointed out that anyone at the meeting not residing in Borrowby could not speak or vote on this subject.

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Mrs Johnson read out correspondence which had been exchanged with the relevant agencies on the National Grid donation of £10,000 to the Parish Council including reference to the £5,000 which the Borrowby Show had requested from National Grid. Before requesting questions on this subject Mrs Johnson informed the meeting that a letter had been received from Leake Cricket Club requesting a donation.

A letter from Councillor Ian Hepburn, who was unable to attend this meeting, was read out to the residents in which he explained in detail the initial request for £25,000 and the £10,000 which the Parish Council received from National Grid for Parish improvement projects.

The Chairman of the village hall committee would welcome any monies available towards helping the refurbishment of, or extension to, the existing village hall or a new one if built. He noted that the village hall was used by most groups in the village and informed the meeting that there would be an Open Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July, followed by a public meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> July, 2004.

A representative of the Borrowby Agricultural and Horticultural Society explained the benefits of purchasing a field not only as a permanent field for the annual show but also to provide facilities for football, cricket, tennis, scouts horse riding cycle ride and dog walking etc. The £5,000 which they requested from National Grid for the Hillside project would help in purchasing a site. They are therefore of the opinion that they should be awarded the sum they requested from National Grid. It was pointed out that when a request was made to National Grid for a donation to support the parish improvements projects a figure of £25,000 was suggested and it was only when the Parish Council was offered the sum of £10,000 were they aware that the Agricultural Society had requested a donation of £5,000.

A member of Borrowby Show Committee stated that he intended to write to the National Grid.

A resident made a point of stating that there was no mention of the elderly in the village in the discussion on the allocation of monies. The lady in question stated that she is intending visiting London in the near future the cost of which from Northallerton to London amounts to £19.00 return, with no means of transport it is costing this lady a further £20.00 for a taxi from Borrowby to Northallerton, could some money be donated to such as this?

Other proposals were made but it was suggested and agreed by the residents that any benefit to the residents should be of a permanent nature.

The acting Chairman, Mrs Johnson, following a lively discussion, proposed a 'straw poll' on the distribution of the £10,000 the outcome of which was as follows:-

Village hall extension	95%
New village hall on new site	4 persons
Borrowby Show	30%
Play Area	7 persons
Enhancement of village environment	35%
Donation to cricket club	12 persons
Local transport	4 persons
Something 'concrete'	100%

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The annual statement of accounts for the year ending 2003/2004 had been completed and audited by Mr Gareth Sykes, copies of which were posted on the village notice boards two weeks prior to this meeting with copies available at the meeting for residents if required. The Treasurer on behalf of the Council thanked Mr Sykes for carrying out the audit.

The cash balance as at 31st May 2004 is £11,628.58 details as follows:-

Balance at 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2004		10559.01
Gate Fitting		138.90
First Instalment Precept		<u>1250.00</u>
		11947.91
Plaque (000146)	14.99	
Village Hall (000147)	36.50	
Clerical Expenses (000148)	14.86	
Insurance (000149)	248.98	
Petrol (000150)	<u>4.00</u>	<u>319.33</u>
		<u>£11628.58</u>

The Parish Council approved the payment of the following:-

Tree Trimming	117.50 (000151)
Clerical Expenses	15.29 (000152)

A cheque for £25 was issued to Yorkshire Rural Community Council on the 24<sup>th</sup> April 2003 and cleared by the bank; there is no invoice or details of this transaction recorded in the minutes. For the purpose of the recent audit it was agreed that this would be recorded in the current minutes.

A cheque was issued to the village hall committee on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2003, number 000138. When compiling the statement of account for 2003/2004 there was no trace of this cheque having been cleared and no record in the village hall accounts of having been received. It was agreed by the committee that a new cheque for £30.00 would be issued (000153).

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Mrs Johnson informed the meeting that there have been two bogus roofers in the area, also purses stolen in Northallerton. Mr Sykes has agreed to form part of the Neighbourhood Watch.

The Boundary Committee for England has produced its final recommendations of which there are three options for Hambleton:-

Option 1	North Yorkshire – Craven, Hambleton, Harrogate, Richmondshire, Ryedale, Scarborough, Selby
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