

MINUTES OF THE BORROWBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17TH JANUARY 2013
AT 8.00 PM IN BORROWBY VILLAGE HALL

1. Apologies for absence

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. County Cllr Gareth Dadd sent his apologies. Present: The Chairman (Cllr F Wachsberger), the Vice Chairman (Cllr D Frith), Cllr D Bell, the Clerk and one member of the public.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21st November 2012, which were previously circulated, were agreed and signed.

3. Matters arising

3.1 Knayton cross-roads area – The Chairman reported that, following the site meeting, NYCC had agreed to put down white lines and signs to improve road safety. Linda Gibbon, Chairman of Knayton Parish Council, had asked NYCC about sign cleaning - NYCC said they only wanted NYCC staff to clean them. The Chairman said that if residents could clean the signs that could save the Council a lot of money. He said that County Cllr G Dadd was going to raise this at the next County Meeting.

4. Update from HDC and NYCC Councillors if present

None present.

5. Update from BPC Councillors

Cllr D Bell – Lighting. The Clerk had received a reply from HDC who had checked the lights – the Park Lane light (11) now had a new bracket and was working, all the lights down by the school were now working but light number 28 was out - Cllr Bell said he assumed this was the light near Bridge House which was not working. He said that a light was working intermittently outside the Chapel. The Chairman said that the light opposite his house was also working intermittently. Clerk to report these.

Cllr D Frith – He said that the wording on the stone on the south entrance to the village was not very clear.

Cllr Wachsberger – He said that he was pleased that all the verges had been cut, the gullies had been cleaned, the path down to the school cleared and some stiles have been replaced. He said things had progressed.

6. Tree Planting

There have been some ideas as to where the trees could be planted but this will be discussed at the next meeting as Cllr Town was not present. Cllr Bell said that a possible place for the oak tree would be at the south entrance to the village.

7. Road maintenance and street lighting

It was reported that two lights were working intermittently: one at the corner of the green near the chapel and also the light opposite 'Rose Villa'. Clerk to report these. The light near 'Bridge House' is still out but scheduled for fixing by the Council. (See 5.)

8. Affordable Housing

A Madden is still awaiting a report from NYCC. She has asked the Parish Council about joining forming a cluster with other Hillside Parishes for 12 extra houses – this will be discussed at a future meeting.

9. Correspondence

- 9.1 HDC, Electoral Services Team Leader. Letter about the casual vacancy which exists within the Whitestonecliffe Ward, Hambleton District Council, due to the resignation of N Clack.
- 9.2 NYCC Highways. Notice of the short term works due to be carried out on 2nd January for three days to renew a fire hydrant. An alternative route will be signed. Clerk displayed notice.
- 9.3 Thirsk and Northallerton Taxibus. The contact has been terminated as it is little used and is a high subsidy for each passenger. They will use their own vehicles till the end of January then the service will stop.
- 9.4 HDC 'Update' magazine. Posters about Christmas tree re-cycling, domestic abuse and speeding.
- 9.5 RAY. Leaflet on keeping warm in winter.
- 9.6 HDC Rural Housing Enabler. Still awaiting access report from NYCC.
- 9.7 'The Clerk' magazine.

10. Planning

Planning application for the construction of an orangery at Pear Tree House, Back Lane, for New Addition Windows (delegated decision). 12/02160/FUL. The Parish Council have no objections.

11. Finance

Cheques written out

HDC for Clerk's Quarterly PAYE		£225.00
	Admin Fee	£11.46
	VAT	£2.29
	Total	<u>£238.75</u>
 Borrowby Village Hall	 Hire of Hall for meetings (20.09.12, 18.10.12, 21.11.12)	 £21.00

The quotation received from CE & CM Walker Grass Cutters is £24.00 per cut plus VAT (14 to 16 cuts per season) for the Green areas and £88.00 plus VAT per cut for verges (6 to 7 cuts). The Parish Council agreed to accept the quotation and proceed with the grass cutting.

12. Any Other Business

Sandbags – It was reported that the sandbags had still not been delivered. The Clerk has contacted them again but had no reply. To chase up again.

13. Open Forum

- 13.1 Mr Haigh reported that a new gate has been put up on a path in the west part of the village parallel with Park Lane and he brought in a photograph of it.
- 13.2 It was reported that four posts had been put up in Kenny Wiseman's field.
- 13.3 Litter bin – HDC has said that the litter bin replacement will be done shortly.
- 13.4 Central notice board surface – Cllr Bell is looking at replacing the pinning area material.
- 13.5 Landscaping re pylons – The Parish Council have been contacted to see if the landscaping, which was carried out several years ago when the pylons were put up, is satisfactory. Cllr Bell said that all the trees near the iron bridge were growing. Mr Haigh said that the landscaping was looking good. Clerk to reply.

14. Date of next Meeting

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 21st February at 8.00 pm in Borrowby Village Hall.