

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DISHFORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON
TUESDAY 8th NOVEMBER, 2011, COMMENCING AT 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr S J Brown (Chairman)
Mr J G Bucktrout
Mr P R Williams
Mr L A Young

ATTENDING: Mrs S Beattie (Clerk)
Borough Councillor C Brown
2 Members of the Public

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Mr V Hanna.

There were no DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

ITEM 1 - MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING;

The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 11th October,, 2011, having been circulated prior to this Meeting, were taken as read and approved as a true record.

ITEM 2 – MATTERS ARISING:

- 2:1 The Clerk reported that the new amplifier and microphone are now in the Village Hall Office for safe keeping.
- 2:2 The Chairman has not yet spoken to County Highways about a possible reduction in the speed limit on the old Boroughbridge Road.
- 2:3 The new seat in the Play Area has been secured.
- 2:4 The Clerk reported that Mr Proctor is prepared to host the Senior Citizens Lunch but at an increased cost of £6.95 per head and attendance limited to 40 people. The Clerk would write to those residents eligible to attend the Lunch and inform them of the restriction in numbers.
- 2:5 The Clerk reported that she is to attend a meeting with the Highways Agency about the new Woodland Area within the next few days but, in the meantime, did confirm that there will be no sign advertising the site.
- 2:6 Mr. Bucktrout has not yet finalized his proposals on we can celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.
- 2:7 The Chairman has collected the Crocus Bulbs from the Borough Council and has passed them on to the School for planting.

- 2:8 The Clerk reported that Mr Clift has pruned his hedge on Topcliffe Road.
- 2:9 The new Grit Bin has arrived and is in place in Chapel Yard. The Chairman has agreed to arrange for all 4 of the Village Grit Bins to be filled as soon as possible.
- 2:10 The Clerk has received a response from the County Council Highways Department on the petition received asking for the provision of a footpath in Chapel Yard. It has agreed to ask the owner of Dishforth House to remove the tree branches overhanging the area but, due to its severe financial situation, it has no funding available for a new footpath. The Clerk would inform the Chapel Yard residents accordingly, acknowledge receipt of the Council's e-mail informing it that, because of possible accidents to children, we aim to take the matter further.
- 2:11 The Clerk reported that there is an amount of £1,637 remaining from the Village Safety Road Safety Scheme Award and the County Council is to use this towards the provision of 30 mile an hour Repeater Signs along the Main Street.

ITEM 3 - FINANCIAL:

- 3:1 A donation of £50.00 to the Ripon Citizens Advice Bureau was approved but it was agreed that, due to financial restraints, we could not give the donation of £100 requested by the South Cleveland Heart Fund.
- 3:2 The Financial position as at the 31st October, 2011, was reported and accounts due for payment on the attached schedule approved.

ITEM 4 - PLANNING:

- 4:1 Dishforth Nursery Gardens – The Planning Enforcement Department has indicated that, as the signs against which a complaint had been received, have been there for over 10 years there is no action that can be taken against them.
- 4:2 Conversion of the redundant Old Chapel in Chapel Yard to form a dwelling – The time limit for implementation of this Permission has been extended for three years.
- 4:3 4 Grange Close – The Planning Enforcement Department has indicated that if the shed is moved backwards so that it does not project forward of the principal elevation of the original dwellinghouse then Planning Permission would not be required. The Chairman understood that the shed has in fact now been moved in line with the Planning Department's suggestion.
- 4:4 Allerton Park Incinerator – The Clerk reported that she had written to the County Council as requested at the last Parish Council Meeting and had received a negative response which she had circulated outwith the Meeting
- 4:5 5 Clarke's Croft – The Parish Council agreed to support the Application to erect a single storey extension.

- 4:6 17 Craythorns Crescent – The Parish Council agreed to support this Application to erect a single storey side and rear extension together with a new chimney and the installation of replacement windows and doors.
- 4:7 8 Gables Court – The Clerk reported that the owner of this property has appealed against the Planning Refusal for the erection of a two storey extension.

ITEM 5 – CEMETERY:

There was nothing to report.

ITEM 6 – PLAYING FIELDS & SPORTS ASSOCIATION:

There was nothing to report.

ITEM 7 – PLAY AREA:

The Annual Inspection Report has now been received and the Clerk highlighted the comments made. Mr. Williams agreed to ensure that all of the requested actions are taken as quickly as possible.

ITEM 8 – 2012/2013 BUDGET:

The Clerk circulated a re-draft of the Budget this now including an amount of £1,200 to cover any agreed Winter Maintenance costs. This re-draft was approved for submission to the Borough Council.

ITEM 9 – ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- 9:1 Requests for Speed Monitoring – The Clerk circulated forms to enable the Parish Council to make requests for any future speeding issues to be investigated by the Harrogate Safety Partnership, this consisting of the Police, the Fire Service and Harrogate Borough Council.
- 9:2 Gritting of Footpaths – Mr. Stanton had submitted a proposal to the Parish Council to arrange for the Village footpaths to be gritted in periods of severe weather at a cost of £40 per hour plus the cost of the grit. This was accepted subject to Mr. Stanton letting the Clerk have a copy of his Public Liability Insurance Policy, the grit being supplied at cost and the Parish Council being informed on a daily basis of when and where he would be working so that this latter information could be passed to the County Council's Highways Department.
- 9:3 Parking on the Main Street – The Clerk stated that she had received complaints about cars being parked outside of Vine House, Glebe Cottage and Dishforth House the detail of which was reported to the Meeting.
- 9:4 Village Christmas Tree – The Clerk would ask Councillor Richardson if he will donate a Christmas Tree again this year and, depending on his response, arrange with the Chairman for its collection.

9:5 The Clerk reminded the Meeting of our Annual Remembrance Day Service on Sunday, 13th November, starting at 2.15 p.m.

ITEM 10 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

This was agreed as Tuesday, 13th December, 2011, in the Village Hall commencing at 7.00 p.m.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

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