

Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council held on Tuesday 31st October 2000

Present

Councillors Mrs J Imeson, Chairman, R Kirk , Mrs F Greenwell, Mrs M Stevens, L Groves, P Bell, J Fletcher.
Mr B Winn also attended.

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th September 2000 were approved and signed.

Police Business

There was no police representative in attendance.

Matters arising

High Green bylaws etc Councillor Kirk would peruse the existing bylaws.

Whitbread bridge Minute continued

Community Service jobs Minute continued

Highways matters - footbridge Low Green NYCC Highways had been asked to expedite the repairs. If unable to do so, could PC arrange for repairs and bill NYCC

Village Hall The Drama Society had outlined a refurbishment project. A surveyor was to inspect the hall.

Access - 2 Easby Lane Document signed by Councillors Mrs Imeson and R Kirk for return to HDC Legal dept.

Parking outside shops/station car park HDC had responded that Parish Council could introduce 'no waiting' signs on its own land but it would not be possible to enforce a waiting restriction. Response from Northern Spirit re station car park still awaited.

WI tree for Millennium Minute continued

Kissing gate Hall Fields New gate in place. Minute concluded.

Public toilet signs Minute continued

Arcade HDC Environmental Health responded that they would be unlikely to be able to take any action. It was reported that grass had been cleared from between paving slabs. Letter of thanks to be sent to Mowden Park Estate Co for making a start on improving the area.

Mr D Williams - photocall Minute continued

Tree in garage wall Tree removed. Minute concluded.

Trod - Wheatlands/Newton Road NYCC would not carry out any further works to trod this year. HDC to be asked to remove rubble. Minute concluded.

Trees, river side near Stone Bridge Trees pruned. Minute concluded.

Beehive bins Minute continued.

Cemetery extension Minute continued.

Lampposts Pearsonville Minute continued.

Chapel steps Work carried out. Minute concluded.

Trees - trod at rear of Cliffe Terrace Minute continued.

Scouts bonfire Offer of POS rejected by Scouts for previously stated safety considerations. Minute concluded.

Meeting of Highways Area Committee Councillor Mrs Imeson reported on the meeting. A site visit to Tree Bridge junction would be arranged by Highways. Letter to be sent to Chairman, Environmental Services Committee, with copies to County Councillor Bill Barton and PC Richard Bentley, Traffic Management Office, expressing concerns of Parish Council.

Lighting of beacon 31.12.00 Scouts unable to undertake lighting of beacon. Minute concluded.

Mrs Bradley memorial seat Minute continued.

Ginnel - Hall Fields NYCC responded that they do not normally resurface country paths and would not in any case give the job high priority. It was agreed to ask permission of Lady Fry and then get someone local to deal with it.

Play area gate Disappointment was expressed with the siting of the new gate. It was not in line with the hedge and was hung too far from the ground, allowing children and dogs access to the play area. The contractor would be asked to correct the faults. The broken slide would also be inspected.

Health Centre - repeat prescriptions Health Centre reported to be investigating replacement of switchboard with digital one which would give them more lines. To be asked if they could not restrict requests for repeat prescriptions to certain times thus assisting the elderly.

Parked cars - John Street The Police would investigate the problem. Minute concluded.

Transfer of POS Minute continued

Sublet of playing fields Councillor Kirk had studied the draft lease and made certain amendments. He suggested that the Parish Council retain the right to review the rent should circumstances change eg. adults instead of children using the playing fields. The draft would now be forwarded to HDC for further action.

Accounts

M L Holden (clerk)	312.00
W B Helm (Cemetery superintendent)	765.77 Inland Revenue (Tax and NI)
	348.74
M L Holden (phone calls)	10.86
E K Williams (petrol, direct debit)	85.16
Atkinson Garden Machinery (tyres for barrow)	44.53
G A Marwood (allotment rent)	250.00
Image Playgrounds (fencing play area)	1391.20
Playground Management Services (insp. play area)	85.78
Royal British Legion (poppy wreath)	13.75
Yorkshire Cancer Research (Capt. Cook tea)	100.00
Eric Harrison (grass cutting)	195.00
Barton Environmental Services Ltd (removal of asbestos)	455.90
York Land Registry (reg. interest in pavilion)	40.00
<u>Receipts</u>	
Cemetery	785.00
Mrs D Bailey (garage rent)	10.00
North Yorkshire County Council (grass cutting)	1005.18
Great Ayton Scouts (fete stall)	10.00

Correspondence

Mr and Mrs Whittaker re. recycling bins Buck car park; footpath Waterfall Terrace; speeding traffic. *Copies of letter to be sent to relevant agencies for their attention.*

Mr R Sanderson re. school bus stop, Newton Road. *Copy of letter to be sent to Headmaster of Stokesley School.*

NYCC - proposed diversion of public footpath - Ayton Hall Farm. *Agreed.*

HDC - Car parking survey - Best Value; request for views. *It was agreed that HDC car parks were fine*

NYMNP - consultation on car park charging review; Northern Area Parish Forum - agenda for meeting 22.11.00. Request for agenda items. *It was noted that HDC do not charge for parking. Charges for NYMNP car parks did not affect this district.*

Mrs J Groves - request for permission to hold cake stall 18.11.00. *Agreed*

R Lappin - request for permission to sell raffle tickets for Christ Church 4,11, and 18.11.00. *Agreed*

HDC - Environmental reporting network questionnaire; dog posters etc. *Questionnaire completed by Clerk*

Telephone call from Eileen Robertson HDC re provision of play areas. *Parish Council agreed that it did not want to take responsibility for any additional play areas.*

NYCC Footpaths - re Community Paths Scheme. *Scheme could assist with funding to improve public footpaths. Councillor Groves agreed to undertake survey of paths. It was reported that the stile into the cricket field from Suggitts field was in poor condition and difficult for the elderly. Investigations would be made into possibility of replacing it with a kissing gate, either steel or wooden.*

Telephone call from resident re untidy appearance of railings and seats outside library. *B Helm to refurbish seats. Library to be approached re railings.*

The following items of information were received:

Marwood School - ideas for time capsule

Glasdon - brochures

HDC - street naming and numbering - The Dovecote, Ayton Hall

The Firework Co - news letter

Playground Management Services - RoSPA report on play area

HDC - poster re. electoral register

Hambleton and Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership - newsletter

NYPA - P.A News; CaP News

CPRE Voice - newsletter; agenda for AGM

HDC - re Grants Roadshow 2000 - poster

Bow House Publishing - colour proof

NYMNP - Planning Committee agenda for information

HDC - Tree Preservation Orders

HDC - copy of request from resident to have signs erected prohibiting ball games on roads

The Countryside Agency - rural services survey 2000 questionnaire. *Clerk to complete.*

Planning applications

Provision of dormer windows - 26 Linden Avenue. *No representations*

Two storey extension to existing dwelling - Firbeck House, Easby Lane. *Extension thought to be too large*
 Alterations and extensions to existing bungalow and domestic garage - 18 Marwood Drive. *No representations*
 Alterations and 2 storey extension to existing dwellinghouse to include domestic garage to replace existing garage - 28 Roseberry Crescent. *No representations*
 Provision of dormer window - 23 Linden Avenue. *No representations*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwellinghouse and construction of a domestic garage - 1 Stanley Houses. *Parish Council would like to see retention of character of cottages.*
 Alterations and extensions to existing dwellinghouse and construction of a domestic double garage - 3 Stanley Houses. *As above*
 Extension to existing bungalow - 12 Wainstones Close. *No representations*
 Conservatory extension to existing dwellinghouse - 23 Roseberry Crescent. *No representations*
Plans approved
 Ayton Banks Farm
 Application for construction of 2 storey extension and porch - White House Cottage, 4 Dikes Lane
 Works to trees subject to TPO - Hollygarth
 Conservatory extension to existing bungalow as amended - 80 Marwood Drive
 Revised application for the construction of a detached dwellinghouse - land off Easby Lane
 Alterations and extension to existing outbuilding to provide ancillary living accommodation - 1 Overbrook
 Re-roofing of existing pavilion - Great Ayton Cricket and Football Club, Easby Lane
Plans refused
 Copy of decision letter re. 1 Levenside
Site meeting 6th November
 62 flats in 6 blocks to the rear of Frankfield Place, Pearsonville and California Court
Copy of letter from resident re application for dormer windows - 4 Orchard Close

Christmas - carol singing/float

Minute continued

Auditor's report. Half yearly accounts

Minor amendments had been made to the accounts and the audit certificate subsequently received. Half yearly accounts were inspected and approved.

Allotments - removal of asbestos; weed killer spray certificate; hardstanding for cars; rents

The remains of an asbestos garage had been found on one of the derelict allotments. This had now been removed. Councillor Groves reported that there were 9 allotments vacant, all overgrown. An allotment tenant had volunteered to be official sprayer, Parish Council to provide weed killer. It was agreed that he could be sent on a course. A proposal that one of the overgrown allotments be turned into hardstanding for cars was approved. A 10% rent increase for November 2001 was approved.

Councillors' reports

Councillor Fletcher reported that the beck near the new roundabout on Station Road had not gone down the hole during recent heavy rain but had run down Station Road. Assurance was sought that the gully was not blocked or impeded. Mr Winn reported that a tree root had been dug out.

The Leven was blocked by branches above the new Wimpey bridge and access to the footpath had been washed away. Wimpey to be contacted

He reported a smell of gas near the TIC car park. British Gas to be notified.

A name sign for Richardson House, The Green had appeared on High Green. There was no reason for signs to be on High Green as the main access was from the rear of the development. HDC to be contacted.

Councillor Groves reported that a stile near the railway line at the top of Mr Winn's fields was defunct. Railtrack to be contacted.

The Roseberry Crescent sign near AMR had been damaged by a car. HDC to be notified.

Councillor Kirk sought confirmation that the Play Area sub-committee had approval to sort out problems on the play area following receipt of RoSPA report. This was confirmed.

He proposed that the Council consider purchasing a computer for the use of the clerk. Prices and specification to be brought to next meeting.

Councillor Bell suggested that a road sweeper was needed in Great Ayton for a couple of days to get rid of the leaves. HDC to be contacted.

Councillor Mrs Stevens reported that the hedge on Little Ayton Lane was encroaching over the road and was very high. Wimpey to be contacted.

Councillor Mrs Imeson reported that she had counted 14 empty vases on the paving in front of the wall of remembrance. There were also artificial flowers and vases on the grass. The regulations were quite clear and the

Cemetery Superintendent would be asked to enforce them firmly. Councillor Mrs Greenwell suggested that the particular regulation be extracted, mounted on a separate sign and displayed in a prominent place near the wall. Councillors Mrs Imeson and Mrs Stevens reported that the Captain Cook Day had been both very enjoyable and successful.

At the Chairman's invitation Mr Winn spoke. He said that he was concerned that the mesh had not been replaced on the Whitbread bridge. He was advised that this was in hand. He also reported that the road surface at Tree Bridge junction was very bad with loose gravel on the surface, and that the pavement from Romany Road to AMR Motors was full of pitfalls. These problems would be reported to Highways.

The date of the following meeting would be Tuesday 28th November 2000.