

## **Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council**

**held on Tuesday 25th May 2004 at 7.00 pm**

### **Present**

Councillors Mrs J Imeson, Chairman, Mrs F Greenwell, Mrs M Stevens, L Groves, R Kirk, J Fletcher. Sgt R Allan also attended.

### **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P Bell

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27th April 2004 were approved and signed

### **Election of Officers**

Councillor Mrs F Greenwell proposed Councillor L Groves be elected chairman. This was seconded by Councillor J Fletcher and unanimously agreed.

Councillor Mrs Imeson thanked the members of the Parish Council for all their help during her year of office, and paid particular thanks to Mrs L Holden, the clerk. Councillor Groves paid tribute to Mrs Imeson for the competent and good-humoured way she had conducted meetings. He called for nominations for vice-chairman. Councillor Mrs Imeson proposed Councillor Mrs M Stevens. This was seconded by Councillor Kirk and unanimously agreed.

### **Police business**

Sgt Allan reported that during April there had been 7 burglaries and 2 auto crimes - a low figure. There had been 28 crimes in total, 1 non-injury road traffic accident, and 33 community related incidents of minor disorder and antisocial behaviour.

Sgt Allan explained that the present method of collating figures for crime in Great Ayton was labour intensive and wasteful of police time. He proposed providing figures for the whole area. The Parish Council said that it was only interested in figures for Great Ayton. It was agreed that the beat figures, which could be quickly obtained from the computer, be provided in future.

Councillor Mrs Stevens reported that there had been trouble in the cemetery with youths knocking over headstones, setting fire to a memorial seat, and dumping a settee. There had been thefts from Yatton House and the perpetrators were believed to have a den in the chicken shed on Swalwell's land next to the cemetery. A tribe of youngsters were regularly seen going down the path beside the play area from Central Way and heading for the allotments. Bottles and other litter had been found in the allotments, particularly at the Skottowe end. Two of the troublemakers were well known to the police and Parish Council and the question was asked as to how long it would be before a Revised application for Lanbaugh Farm

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tion was taken against them. Councillor Mrs Imeson observed that whereas the vandalism used to be mischievous it was now becoming more malicious.

Councillor Mrs Greenwell asked if the trouble spot at Cliffe Terrace/Edward Kitching Terrace could be designated a "hot spot" and have regular police patrols.

Councillor Mrs Imeson reported another accident at Tree Bridge. The Parish Council would welcome the support of the police and pressure from them on Highways to make improvements to the junction. The clerk would write to Highways asking what progress was being made. Councillor Mrs Greenwell asked for the accident statistics for the previous 5 years.

Councillor Fletcher said that there had been incidents of youth misbehaviour on High Green. Sgt Allan said that overall there had been a 27% reduction in antisocial behaviour.

Councillor Groves thanked Sgt Allan for attending.

### **Cemetery**

The new memorial seat had been erected and painted. Youths were using the heap of waste soil to climb over a neighbour's fence. The soil heap would be removed.

Councillor Mrs Greenwell reported large numbers of wasps in the cemetery hedge. Mr Atkinson would deal with them.

### **Matters arising**

Footpaths – Thief Lane; Riverside; Trod There was no progress on Thief Lane. Mrs Shepherd of NYCC had met a Wimpey representative at the Riverside who saw no problem with the path behind the bowling club, from Little Ayton lane to the footbridge, being designated a right of way. NYCC required a formal letter from the Parish Council expressing the wish to dedicate as a public right of way the path on the public open space. Councillor Groves said that the Trod had apparently been cleared but there was already a new deposit of rubbish.

Village Hall C/F

Potholes, High Green, surface dressing/repair C/F

Repair to pavilion Mr Richards from HDC Legal Department would investigate the legal position  
Flooding on Roseberry estate Letter received from Northumbrian Water stating that their investigation had identified a number of incorrect connections, primarily foul to surface water sewers. Residents would be notified that works were required to rectify the problem. The Parish Council would reply that it looked forward to a pollution free river but point out that there were still concerns that flooding, especially at the lower end of Roseberry Crescent, was an ongoing possibility.

Village fete

Naming of field "Bank Flow Farm" Hambleton District Council had requested retrospective planning application for works already carried out.

Youth Activity day Stokesley youth leader unable to attend meeting. Councillor Kirk would arrange to meet him.

Flooding, Dump Corner Response from NYCC that funds had been allocated specifically for Bridge Street. Strong plea to be made for urgent action at Dump Corner.

30 mph signs, Yarm Lane Response from NYCC that the criteria for relocating the speed limit signs any further along Yarm Lane cannot be met

Advertising boards, Rainbow Nurseries HDC and NYCC had carried out investigations and had taken necessary action. Minute concluded

Captain Cook Memorial Garden Hand-over of garden to take place during Captain Cook birthday celebrations in October.

## Accounts

W Eves & Co Ltd (petrol, direct debit)	47.75
CPRE (subscription)	25.00
Richard Collins (grave digging)	140.00
G A Marwood (half year allotment rent)	250.00
Eric Harrison (grass cutting)	360.00
D I Holden (reimburse stationery)	17.94
G Ward & Son (work at cemetery gate)	151.58
G Frankish (refund allotment deposit - cheque 100493 returned)	20.00
Richard Collins (grave digging)	70.00
H Atkinson (reimburse phone card)	10.00
<u>Receipts</u>	
D Bailey (garage rent)	10.00
BT (wayleave)	63.00
Northern Electric (wayleave)	17.25
Hambleton District Council (precept)	16,250.00
Cemetery receipts	2210.00
Mrs M Rogers (memorial seat in cemetery)	175.00
Mrs D Tanfield (memorial seat in cemetery)	175.00
Mrs S Graham (memorial seat in cemetery)	175.00
Cemetery receipts	1050.00

## Correspondence

HDC - re District Wide Local Plan review. *Parish Council would respond that there were no development sites in Great Ayton*

Rachel Collins - request for information re renewable energy projects. *Applicant would be advised to contact HDC*

HDC Mr M Cann - re dead cherry tree on High Green. *Approval given for removal of dead cherry tree*

NYCC Mr M Roberts - re broken railings on Levenside. *NYCC would replace broken railings with materials to match those previously used*

NYCC - Community Emergency Plan

Mrs J Watt - request for part of seat on High Green in memory of parents. *Parish Council would suggest that as so many requests for seats were received it would help considerably if the seat already dedicated to other relatives could be used*

Mrs M Charlton - request for permission for cake bake on 21.5.04. *Approved*

HDC - re Charter between principal local authorities and parish councils. *Received*

HDC - Parish Council Training - Planning - invitation for clerk to attend training session 13.7.04.

BT - re application to lay duct outside 5 High Green. *The Parish Council would reply that BT's suggestion of removing a line of mortar between the cobbles was not technically feasible. The cobbles were not mortared in place. The Council would prefer the telephone wires to be left as they were.*

The following items of information were received:-

HDC - notice of European Parliamentary Election

County Committee for Hambleton - agenda 10.5.04 and notices

NYMNPA - Planning Committee agenda 13.5.04; Moors Messenger newsletter

Wheels 2 Work - notice and referral sheets; minutes of meeting of Hambleton & Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership 16.3.04

Rev Paul Peverell - thank you letter for donation to Spire Appeal  
 Clerks and Councils Direct - magazine  
 HDC - Tree Preservation Order - Overbrook  
 YRCC - Country Air magazine; The Playing Field newsletter; invitation to "Special Needs/Play and Youth Provision" at Askham Bryan College 9.6.04; Yorkshire and the Humber Training Partnership - invitation to seminar re Certificate in Local Council Administration 26.6.04; Winged Fellowship Trust - request for financial assistance  
 HDC - European Parliamentary Election Statement of Parties and Individual Candidates and Notice of Poll  
 HDC - street collection permits - Diabetes UK 26.6.04  
 External Review - product information pack  
 By email from NYCC Pension Fund - Annual Update from Local Government Pensions Co; North Yorkshire Pension Fund Statement of Investment Principles updated; Pensions Focus Spring 2004; LGPC Circular 157 - Section 31 Partnership Arrangements; Circular 158 - Part-timer Claims  
 YRCC - Hambleton Rural Housing Enabler. Posters re housing needs survey 2004  
 Askham Bryan College - invitation to open day and countryside show 5.6.04  
 The Clerk - magazine

### Planning applications

Proposed felling of Victoria plum tree - 5 High Green. *No representations*  
 Alterations and rear conservatory to existing dwelling - 9 Sunnyfield Nurseries. *No representations*  
 Application for Listed Building Consent to replace front and back doors 4 Bridge Street. *No representations but HDC asked to ensure alterations would be in keeping with conservation area*  
 Application for construction of first floor extension at Cockshaw Cottage. *No representations*  
 Revised plan for 64 Wheatlands - already determined  
 Revised application for Lanbaugh Farm. *The Parish Council still had concerns about access. Even if the fence was moved back the rise in the land would still impede visibility. There was no mention in the application of the Highways Officer's statement that the land would have to be levelled. None of the amendments addressed the main problem which was that of access.*  
 Alterations and two storey rear extension to existing dwelling - 27 Rosehill. *No representations*  
Plans approved  
 Alterations and first floor extension to existing dwelling - 25 Skottowe Drive  
Plans refused  
 Change of use of agricultural land for additional storage for caravans - Greenhow Moor Farm  
Development Control Committee meeting 6.5.04  
 Conversion of agricultural buildings comprising one storage unit, three holiday units and a single dwelling with office as amended; application for Listed Building Consent for alterations and conversion of agricultural buildings comprising a holiday unit and a dwelling with an office - Langbaugh Farm

### Councillors' reports

Councillor Mrs Greenwell reported that various hedges needed cutting back. These were at Dump Corner, the Trod behind Edward Kitching Terrace, and Linden Avenue. The owners would be asked to deal with them.

Councillor Mrs Imeson said that approval for the felling of a dangerous tree in Waterfall Park had been obtained and the work carried out. Approval had also been given for crown-lifting trees in the cemetery.

Councillor Fletcher reported that there was a dead cherry tree in the grass verge in Marwood Drive. Highways would remove it but not replace it. It was suggested that people requesting memorial seats might be willing to plant a new tree instead.

Councillor Fletcher also brought to the Council's attention the proposed boundary changes for North Yorkshire.

Councillor Groves said that fly posters for the Tile Sheds had appeared on trees, telegraph poles and litter bins. The clerk would write to the landlord saying the Parish Council would be obliged if he did not fly post on Parish Council land. BT would also be advised that the Council did not approve.

Councillor Bell had sent a report that there were dangerous potholes at the junction of Linden Avenue and Linden Grove. NYCC would be notified, and also of potholes at the Newton Road/Romany Road junction.

The Council was reminded that the visit of the Model T Fords would take place on Friday 4th June at 11.00 am.

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday 22nd June 2004.