

Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

held on Tuesday 26th April 2005 at 7.00 pm

Present

Councillors L Groves, Chairman, J Fletcher, Mrs M Stevens, Mrs J Imeson, Mrs F Greenwell, R Kirk and P Bell. Mr H Atkinson, Cemetery Superintendent, Mr P Suggitt, River Warden Contractor, and PC Paula Eccles also attended.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 29th March 2005 were approved and signed.

Police Business

PC Eccles explained the new policing procedures. Within two months 3 police officers would be based at Great Ayton who would provide cover from 8.00 am to midnight. There would always be at least 1 officer in the village, or a crew car in the area. PC Eccles would investigate the possibility of an automatic diversion should the local telephone number be un-manned.

The statistics provided for March showed that there had been 16 crimes which included 1 violent assault, 4 auctocrimes and 2 burglaries. There had been one non-injury/animal road traffic accident. Of a total of 87 reported incidents, 26 involved anti-social behaviour.

Councillor Mrs Stevens expressed concern that it had been one and a quarter hours before a police officer attended a reported incident in Guisborough Road/Central Way footpath when youths were breaking bottles. She also reported that youngsters were still causing trouble in the play area - climbing the fence after the gate had been locked for the night and using foul language. PC Eccles said that this had been flagged up as a concern and patrols were being targeted to the area.

The Clerk reported that more tiles had been broken on the pavilion roof. Councillor Fletcher informed the police officer that goal posts were in place in Riverside Park and available for use.

Cemetery

There were no problems.

River

Mr Suggitt reported that he had cut the grass near the stone bridge and removed several bags of rubbish. He told the meeting that he knew of a sponsor who would be willing to restock the river with trout but the riverbed would have to be dug out before conditions were suitable for fish. It was agreed that the Environment Agency be asked to do it whilst they were dealing with the debris from the recent floods.

Matters arising from the minutes

Footpaths – Riverside - Minute continued

Village Hall - Minute continued

Repair to pavilion - C Pearson had inspected the pavilion. He estimated that it would cost about £2000 to repair but it should be inspected by a structural engineer. It was agreed that Mr Arthur Walker be asked to recommend an engineer and oversee the project. Once the pavilion was put into order, the Cricket and Football Club could maintain it.

Alders, Low Green Councillor Fletcher said that the alders at the far end of Low Green restricted the flow of water when the river was in flood.

Storage and inspection of sandbags Hambleton District Council would be advised that the village sandbags were not used during the recent flood as its operatives did not know where the bags were stored. It was agreed that, in the light of recent events, it would be more sensible to store the bags at a central location such as Stokesley. They were not easily accessible in the present locations and were in any case difficult to handle. Councillor Mrs Greenwell suggested that people whose houses were likely to be flooded should be given their own supply of sandbags.

World War II 60th Anniversary events - Minute continued

Trods - Wheatlands - HDC denied responsibility for clearing rubbish from the path. Councillor Mrs Imeson would make representations; Cliffe Terrace - Transco were still working on the path; grit bin Spence Court - NYCC said that as it was a private estate they were not responsible for providing a bin. Broadacres would be asked to provide a bin and NYCC the grit to fill it.

Accounts

James C Pearson (repairs to village hall)	1176.17
M L Holden (reimburse items for Capt. Cook garden)	11.08
W Eves & Co Ltd (petrol (direct debit))	54.72
Sam Turner & Sons Ltd (wheelbarrow)	29.67
Hambleton District Council (salaries Jan, Feb, Mar 05)	6355.83
Adam Kirby (refund allotment deposit)	20.00
Shaw & Sons Ltd (receipts and payments ledger)	57.46
Allianz Cornhill (insurance renewal)	2534.30

C L Prosser & Co Ltd (skip for allotment)	130.00
Teesside Insurance (renewal premium for mower)	193.05
CPRE (annual subscription)	25.00
Thompsons Hardware (items for cemetery)	34.28
Richard Collins (grave digging)	70.00
James C Pearson (re-roof cemetery hut)	420.06
G A Marwood (half year allotment rent)	250.00
P Suggitt (labour and materials Capt. Cook Garden)	460.00
Mark King (refund allotment deposit)	20.00
<u>Receipts</u>	
A Suggitt, J Harrison (flower tub sponsors)	30.00
R Featherstone (grave reservation)	60.00
A Pearson (flower tub sponsor)	15.00
D Bailey (garage rent Feb 05)	10.00
Wingate (grave reservation)	60.00
T Thomas “ “	60.00
The Royal Oak, Broadacres, J Turnbull (flower tub sponsors)	45.00
J Waterton (grave reservation)	60.00
H M Customs and Excise (VAT refund)	1316.30
Allianz Cornhill (ins. claim pavilion roof)	901.00

Correspondence

NYMNPA - invitation to training day for volunteers involved in running village halls

Stokesley and Villages Community Regeneration Group - Stokesley area cycling development study. *The Parish Council discussed the pros and cons of the proposed scheme.*

YRCC - Hambleton Rural Housing Enabler - questionnaire re affordable housing. *The Parish Council were agreed that there was no room for further development in Great Ayton*

HDC - Hambleton Local Development Framework - views requested on Statement of Community Involvement

Dr G Smith - re refuse collection. *His complaints would be passed on to HDC*

Mrs Law - re memorial bench for mother. *Mrs Laws intended to ask the Cricket Club if a bench could be accommodated at the side of the pitch*

NYMNPA - Pre Draft Statement of Community Involvement Consultation - list of questions to answer. *Councillor Fletcher to complete*

HDC - invitation to meeting 28.4.05 re Hambleton Local Development Framework Core Strategy Consultation. *The Chairman would try to attend.*

NYCC - request for comments on possible extension of 30 mph speed limit B1292. *Extension of speed limit approved.*

Middlesbrough Council - request for comments on Middlesbrough's Local Development Framework - Statement of Community Involvement. *The Parish Council had no comment but wished to be kept informed of future developments which could affect Great Ayton*

NYCC - County Committee for Hambleton - request for nominations for parish councillors to serve on committee. *Councillor Kirk would be nominated*

Bob Lappin - photographs of flooding Easby Lane

Cllr J Fletcher - copies of various emails sent to HDC re flooding. *Councillor Kirk said that the Parish Council should be pressing for action. The Parish Council's concerns would be registered with Hambleton District Council, the Environment Agency and Northumbrian Water. Councillor Fletcher had prepared a report for HDC's database.*

HDC - core strategy and strategic policies development plan document - issues and options consultation - comments invited

Hilary Sillars - notice of and invitation to Neighbourhood Watch AGM 4.5.05

S Wray - re grass cutting Wainstones Close. *The grass-cutting contractor would be asked to ensure that all the verges in Wainstones Close were cut.*

The following items of information were received:-

NYCC - agenda for County Committee for Hambleton meeting 11.4.05

External Review - product information cards

HDC - notification of planning fee increases

The Countryside Agency - conclusive map of registered common land and open country

YLCA - invitation to join

NYMNPA - planning committee agenda for meeting 14.4.05

NYCC - Pension Fund triennial valuation report; annual update circular; re response to Green Paper "Facing the Future"

HDC - re wheeled bin collections during bank holiday weeks

HDC - County Council Elections - Statement of Persons Nominated; Parliamentary Election - Notice of Election

Wicksteed Leisure - brochure

NYMNPA - agenda for Northern Area Parish Forum meeting 27.4.05

J B Corrie & Co Ltd - brochure re fencing
 Bruno Peek OBE MVO - guide to taking part in Trafalgar Weekend 21-23.10.05
 Glasdon - brochure
 Gosschalks - re transfer of licence - Buck Hotel
 DJB Associates - re transfer of licence - The Tile Shed
 NYCC - re temporary closure of footpath for repair, Marwood Drive
 Rev P Peverell - invitation to celebration of St George's Day 23.4.05
 NYCC - notice of addition of School Lane to grass cutting contract
 HDC - notices for elections
 NYCC - Pension Fund - copy of draft letter from LGPC to ODPM

Planning applications

Alterations and extension to existing dwelling - 15 Farm Garth. *No representations*
 Proposed works to two beech trees and several sycamores - 5a High Green. *The Parish Council had no objection to the removal of the trees growing out of the river bank*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwelling to form conservatory - 56 Wainstones Close. *No representations*
 Single storey extension to existing dwelling - 43 Langbaugh Close. *No representations*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwelling to form conservatory - 29 Roseberry Avenue. *No representations*
 Revised application for the construction of a manege - OS Field 0089 Green Lane. *The Parish Council thought that HDC Planning and Highways should visit the site*
 Erection of field shelter and change of use of land for the keeping of horses (retrospective) land behind Gribdale Terrace. *Already approved*
 Application to carry out works to a tree the subject of a TPO - 4 Overbrook. *No representations*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwelling to provide utility room and construction of replacement detached domestic garage and new vehicular access - 47 Addison Road. *No representations*
 Revised application for the demolition of existing ambulance station and construction of 4 apartments as amended - Addison Road. *No representations*
 Construction of domestic triple garage and re-siting of access as amended (retrospective) - Stanley House, Yarm Lane. *No representations*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwelling to form conservatory - 45 Roseberry Crescent. *No representations*
Plans withdrawn
 Construction of a detached domestic double garage - Stanley House, Yarm Lane

Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

Residents made serious complaints about large-vehicle traffic on Guisborough Road, mini roundabouts and dog fouling. Councillors agreed that the latter was getting worse. Mr Tanfield, who said he could list names of dog owners who did not clean up after their pets, would be asked for his list and any evidence which would lead to prosecutions.

Councillors' reports

Councillor Fletcher had received a letter from a past mayor of Bachy, France about an airman named George Marley Fidler who had been shot down over his village during the war. His parents were George and Christiana Gertrude Fidler of Great Ayton. The writer would be grateful for any information about the family. Parish Councillors were unable to provide any information. The accompanying photograph of the gravestone would be framed and given to the Library.

Councillor Mrs Imeson had received a form from HDC offering grants for play areas. The Parish Council would apply for funding for safety surfacing for the swings.

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday 24th May 2005.