

Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council
held on Tuesday 6th July 1999

Present

Councillors R Kirk, Chairman, J Fletcher, P Bell, L Groves, Mrs M Stevens, Mrs F Greenwell. Mrs J Essex also attended.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs Imeson.

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8th June 1999 were approved and signed.

Police Business

There was no police business.

Matters Arising

Ayton School Development/lease for sports field A final draft lease including certain minor amendments had been received from Hambleton District Council. There was lengthy discussion about the limit of two cars, which had appeared in the original draft. The clerk was instructed to inform members of the interested sports groups that the lease was about to be signed. If nothing was heard from those contacted, the clerk would inform HDC of the Parish Council's willingness to sign.

Whitbread bridge It was agreed that someone to manage the project should be sought. The clerk is to invite tenders from prospective managers.

Flagpole outside Library Minute continued

Internet/computers Minute continued

Cemetery mower Mr Helm is to be asked if he is happy with his existing strimmer. If so, the matter is to be dropped for the time being.

Play area - plan for improvement The sub-committee had met with members of the Playground Committee. It was reported that Lynn Sturdy had resigned and Judith Jones was leaving - both would be sorely missed. More parents were desperately needed. A firm from York was to visit and advise on what could be done make the play area more desirable. It was said that people would not walk from the top or bottom of the village to the middle but it was agreed that the most had to be made of what was available. It was suggested that a public meeting be called when the Council had some outline plans. The money from Kebbell had now been received and it was agreed that a separate bank account be opened as it is to be used only in connection with public open space. The contractor was to be given the go ahead to erect the security fence.

CAPE Scheme - fencing Low Green Minute continued

Footbridge Low Green It was reported that a rail was missing from the bottom of the bridge near the Conservative Club. Highways are to be asked to repair it.

Flower tubs/sponsorship It was reported that there are no tubs available at present. An approach to the allotment holders for help would be made at their association meeting.

Community Service jobs Minute continued

Highways matters Fence near Suggitts - continued. Grass, Newton Road had been cut. Trod, Linden Grove - the hedge and trees had been cut back, Highways will weedkill the nettles and weeds. A resident who had kindly cut back his hedge had written to complain that youths and children were throwing rubbish into his garden and climbing on the roofs of garages. He asked if the trod could be closed and the garages made inaccessible. The Parish Council sympathised with his problem. The clerk to inform him that the garages are the responsibility of Broadacres and that Highways would not close the trod.

Grass cutting, verges A schedule had been received from NYCC. It was suggested that a higher sum might be negotiated from NYCC. The clerk is to obtain quotes for 6 and 12 cuts from 3 contractors for next season.

Periodic electoral review of Hambleton HDC had noted the Parish Council's comments.

Presentation of flowers, Librarian Councillor Kirk had made the presentation to Jackie Kendrew who had subsequently written to express her appreciation.

Weeds, chemist's wall These should be dealt with in NYCC's current weedkilling programme.

Seats, various Minute continued.

Parking, Roseberry Crescent A letter was received from North Yorkshire Police stating that the white van had been observed and was not causing an obstruction. They will continue to monitor the situation.

Memorial seat, cemetery The clerk is to write to Mrs Morrow in connection with the seat.

Accounts

M L Holden (clerk)

361.59

W B Helm (Cemetery superintendent)	798.86
Inland Revenue (Tax and NI)	422.29
M L Holden (reimburse telephone calls, flowers)	29.08
E Coles (flower tubs)	92.90
T Featherstone (flower tubs)	96.00
Armstrong Richardson (Police trophy)	14.99
Northumbrian Water (Cemetery supply)	10.10
E K Williams (petrol) (direct debit)	78.44
<u>Receipts</u>	
HDC (refund of planning fee)	47.50
HDC (Sec.106 payment, Kebbell)	25,329.00
Cemetery	225.50

Correspondence

HDC - re. Grants Roadshow 14th July 1999. The clerk is to attend

NYCC - N Yorks Waste Local Plan - consultation draft. The Parish Council vigorously supports such initiatives.

Simba Security Systems - re CCTV. Received

NYCC - Local Transport Plan consultation draft. Received

NYMNPA - Rights of way survey. Councillor Fletcher is waiting to be contacted.

N Yorks Playing Fields Assoc - playground survey. The clerk is to complete.

Yorkshire Local Councils Assoc - appointment of members to Nat Park Authority. Received

Diana Neville-Smith - re burial of ashes. Mrs Neville Smith requested that her family be permitted to bury the ashes of her mother in a small grave to be marked by a headstone. The Parish Council agreed that it was unwilling to alter existing policy which does not allow for such interments. The clerk is to write suggesting a memorial seat or the planting of a rose bush.

Great Ayton Cricket Club - request to sell tickets 17.7.99. Approved.

Hilary Sillars - brochure re Xmas lights. Councillor Mrs Greenwell is to study the brochure.

National Trust - re meeting of Cliff Ridge Group. The clerk is to write suggesting Monday, 2nd August at 6.30pm

NYMNPA - briefing sessions for new parish councillors. Councillor Mrs Greenwell is unable to attend but will represent the Parish Council at future meetings.

HDC - the Council's Performance Plan - questionnaire. Councillor Kirk is to complete.

HDC - Street naming and numbering, Newcroft Farm, Great Ayton. The clerk is to write to HDC to register the Parish Council's objection. As there is no building on the land at present it was felt that allowing it to be named would invite a planning application.

The following items of information were received:-

NYCC - Newsletter "Better Government for Older People"

NYMNPA - Moors Messenger

NYMNPA - Planning Committee Agenda for info.

DVLA - licence application for mower

NatWest - re telephone centre and transfer of work to new admin centre

NYMNPA - agenda for information.

Planning

The following planning applications were received:-

Listed building consent for alterations and extensions to existing domestic outbuildings - 7 Low Green. No representations

Siting of flagpole, the Library. No representations

Provision of dormer window - 64 Wheatlands. No representations

Conservation Area Consent for demolition of existing building - 117 High Street.

Construction of access gates with fencing - 117 High Street The Parish Council looked for something more in keeping with the conservation area. The building to be demolished matched one on the other side of the opening. The industrial style fence was not approved. It was felt that any alterations in the vicinity needed to be done as one entity, not piecemeal.

Extension to existing workingmen's club - GA Workingmen's Club. No representations

Plans approved

Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling to include domestic garage - 30 Roseberry Crescent

Revised application for the construction of detached dwellinghouse - 3 Farm Garth

Listed Building consent for alterations and extension as amended - Nutshell, High Green

Alterations and extension to existing dwelling as amended - Nutshell, High Green

Extension to existing dwelling - 10 Angrove Drive

Alterations and extension to existing dwellinghouse - Angrove West Farm

Extension to existing dwelling house - 8 Skottowe Drive

Plans refused

Revised application for alterations and extensions to existing domestic outbuildings - 7 Low Green

Planning appeal

Appeal by Mr P Ancell - dismissed.

Millennium

Domesday Book Mrs Essex reported good progress. The village photo is scheduled to take place on 11th September.

Ball Toilets are provided by the marquee firm

Fireworks Continued.

Councillors' reports

Councillor Fletcher reported that there were a number of dead areas on the High Green where clippings had been allowed to lie. The clerk is to contact the contractor and express the Council's concerns. Mr Helm is to be asked to tidy up round the kerbs and to cut the hedge in Waterfall Park.

The fence bounding the footpath next to Holme Field in Little Ayton Lane is beginning to collapse. The clerk is to write to the owner.

Councillor Bell reported that Mr Mervyn Petch had complained about the low trees overhanging the road on Low Green. They are beyond the scope of Brian Helm. The clerk is to contact Highways for advice.

Councillor Mrs Stevens reported that the footpath at the rear of Cliffe Terrace was overgrown. A dead tree opposite the cemetery was to be inspected by Councillor Fletcher.

Councillor Kirk reported that a tree on Highways land near 57/59 Marwood Drive was growing over the footpath. The clerk is to contact Highways.

It was said that householders should be reminded of the problems caused by hedges and trees growing over adjacent footpaths.

Councillor Mrs Greenwell reported that a lorry had been parking overnight in a parking bay on Low Green.

The clerk is to write to BT, with a copy to Hambleton, about the phone box missing from Newton Road. The expectation was that it would be replaced, as shown on the plans of the new development.

The clerk delivered a report from Councillor Mrs Imeson. The Parish Council had been offered the Bellman's Bell by his grandson. Jack Readman used the bell to make announcements on street corners. It was suggested that the Council gratefully received the offer and that the bell be displayed in the Library with a notice and photo, if possible.

Councillor Mrs Imeson and Mr Eddie Hayward of Highways had inspected the path at the rear of Cliffe Terrace following complaints. He would arrange for the path to be strimmed but the overhanging trees were the responsibility of Ryedale Housing.

It had been agreed that the bus stop would be sited beside the high fence of the new development on Newton Road. It was noted that the phone box had gone.

The post box has been reinstated in the wall in Station Road.

The road by Low Green is wider on one side than the other. Mr Hayward is to have someone look at it.

The signs to the 12th Century Church and the Captain Cook Museum have been replaced on the stone bridge.

The date of the next meeting is 3rd August 1999.