

Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

held on 31st August 1999 at 7.00 pm

Present

Councillors R Kirk, Chairman, Mrs F Greenwell, J Fletcher, L Groves, P Bell, Mrs M Stevens. A resident, Mr Eardley, also attended.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs J Imeson.

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd August 1999 were approved and signed.

Police Business

A letter from Sgt McArdle was read to the meeting in which he apologised for the non-attendance of police at the recent meetings. He thanked the Parish Council for its support of the football competition and reported that £100 had been raised for charity. There were nearly 400 reported incidents in August and 51 arrests were made. Three men had been arrested in the allotments and three Stokesley men had been arrested following a disturbance in Capt. Cooks Way. The police continue to tackle problems with young people in the Library car park. Speeding traffic on the A172 will be monitored. The police are to be asked to be extra vigilant on the day of the village photo.

Mr Eardley

Mr Eardley was invited to state his reasons for attending the meeting. He was concerned about the tree near his house on Guisborough Road and the state of the hedge between the cemetery and Yatton House. He reported that the cut to the playing field had not been swept and he had done it himself. The Parish Council will investigate his complaints.

Matters arising

Ayton School Development/lease for sports field Minute continued

Whitbread Bridge Minute continued

Flagpole outside library Planning permission had been received. Arrangements are to be made to erect it.

Internet/computers It was reported that Mr Kirby was making good progress with the scheme and had produced a village website. The Parish Council thought that they might have something to add and Mr Kirby is to be asked what it already contains.

Play area, plan for improvement The security fence was in the process of being erected. It was reported that a child had been injured when swinging on the new gates. The contractor had secured the gates with wire but this had been removed by children. Council's insurers are to be notified.

CAPE Scheme - fencing Low Green Minute continued

Flower troughs Mr Winn has kindly promised to do them

Community Service jobs To be chased up

Highways matters - trod Linden Grove, weeds chemist's wall, footbridge Low Green A weedkilling team from NYCC would be dealing with the weeds. NYCC denied ownership of the bridge near the Conservative Club. The Parish Council are to investigate ownership of the bridge.

Grass cutting verges Firms approached for tenders are to be chased up.

Burial of ashes, cemetery The clerk reported further communication with Mrs Neville-Smith. The cemetery regulations are to be rewritten and made more clear.

Meeting of Cliff Ridge group Three Councillors had attended and reported a very interesting walk. The area is very important geologically. National Trust policy is for their property to be accessed by everyone. There was a possibility of a waymarked trail and information boards. The surface of the Liverick is to be improved. The clerk was instructed to write to NYMNPA concerning the material to be used and to send a copy of the original letter and report.

Overhanging trees Low Green, dead tree Langbaugh Hall A tree surgeon has been engaged to lop the Low Green trees. He is to be asked to look at the tree causing concern to Mr Eardley.

Councillor Fletcher reported that one of the cherry trees on High Green was dead. HDC have been notified and it was agreed to remove it and replace it with a similar mature tree.

Footpath rear of Cliffe Terrace Minute continued

Telephone box, Newton Road A reply from BT indicated that they had been asked to remove the payphone by Wimpeys and were obliged to do so as it was on Wimpey land. A request for a replacement would be considered by BT. Possible sites were the grass verge near the post box opposite the Tile Sheds, near the electricity substation at Woodbine Close, and on the grassy area to the rear of the petrol station at the top of Newton Road. The clerk is to write to BT.

Bellman's bell To be followed up

Bow House Publishing - advertisement in brochure It was agreed to replace photo of Roseberry Topping with one of the waterfall in Waterfall Park.

Auditor's report The accounts had been approved by the Auditors. It was agreed that a half yearly internal audit be prepared. Standing Orders are to be adopted. On the suggestion of the Auditors it was agreed to dispose of the consolidated stock. The existing method of numbering and initialling the loose-leaf minutes was approved by Mr Heppel, the Audit Manager.

Christmas float/dates Men's outfits for the float are to be hired from the Drama Society, those for the women are to be made. It was suggested that the float tour the village on Sunday 19th December starting at 3.00 pm. Mr Greenwell is to be asked this is acceptable to him. Church service dates are to be ascertained before the carol service is arranged.

Street cleaning Minute continued

Great Ayton sign, Newton Road Brian Helm is to put it up.

Village Hall Minute continued

Mini roundabout, Station Road Mr Hayward of NYCC Highways had agreed to remove some of the signs and make those remaining less obtrusive. HDC are to be asked if the material used for the roundabout could be changed

Accounts

M L Holden (clerk)	295.66
W B Helm (Cemetery superintendent)	744.27
Inland Revenue (Tax and NI)	345.23
Ayton Ground Maintenance (grass cutting)	117.50
E K Williams Ltd (petrol) (direct debit)	82.59
Cumbria County Contracting (village name sign)	41.62
W B Helm (phone rental)	27.03
Brian Pinder (weed killing cemetery)	100.00
<u>Receipts</u>	
Cemetery (July)	260.0
Cemetery (August)	445.50

Correspondence

Environment Agency - survey of flooding problems questionnaire. Councillor Mrs Stevens to complete
 HDC - attractions of Hambleton. HDC compiling an inventory of attractions and places of interest in Hambleton.
 The Parish Council suggested several areas to be included: the Victorian urinal, 12th century parish church, Aireyholme Farm work place of Capt Cook's father, stone bridge minus date and name which were removed in the war to confuse the enemy, Capt. Cook Schoolroom Museum, village pump, old millrace and sluice gates, obelisk in garden Easby Lane, bluebell woods, shooting box, Cliff Rigg quarry - BMX track and geological interest, old mines, incline.

Mr R Hogben - request for location of grandfather's grave. Brian Helm had located it and Mr Hogben informed.

Rural Arts - re theatre, dance and music groups on tour. Parochial Hall had been suggested as possible venue. WI Hall was also a possibility.

The following items of information were received:

Worsall Folk Dance Group - thanks for use of High Green

Promotional Identity - brochure

Action for Market Towns - brochure

REVOLT - newsletter

NYMNPA - Planning Committee agenda for information

Performance Monitoring, Management and Standards Committee agenda

NYCC Legal Services - Restricted roads Little Ayton/Great Ayton order

Glasdon - brochure - litter bins

NYCC Pension Fund - AVC's, Survey of non-membership levels, Completion of the SU5 leavers form, Retirement statistics, Circulation of Sub-Committee agendas

Planning

The following planning applications were received:-

Alterations and extension to existing ground floor studio - 43 High Street. No representations

Alterations and extension to existing dwellinghouse - 94 Newton Road. No representations

Application for listed building consent for alterations - 3 Low Green. No representations

Extension to existing dwellinghouse - 43 Roseberry Crescent. No representations

Extension to existing bungalow - 74 Guisborough Road. No representations

Extension to existing bungalow - 14 Angrove Drive. No representations

Plans approved

Listed Building Consent for alterations and extensions to existing domestic outbuildings to provide

additional living accommodation with domestic double garage and demolition of existing outbuilding and construction of replacement outbuilding - 7 Low Green

Planning approval as above

Extension to existing Working Men's Club - Whinstone View

Extensions to existing dwellinghouse - Field House

Extension to existing dwellinghouse - 32 Roseberry Crescent

Siting of flagpole - library, High Street

Plans refused

Application for Listed Building Consent for alterations and extensions to existing domestic outbuildings to provide additional living accommodation with domestic double garage and provision of replacement access gates - 7 Low Green

Plans withdrawn

Additional use of existing caravan site clubhouse as a country club/bistro Whinstone View Caravan Park

Millennium

Domesday Book The photographer had suggested Low Green was a better venue for the village photograph. The Parish Council preferred High Green as being in the village centre. Some residents had expressed concern about everyone being out of their houses at the same time. The police are to be asked to be extra vigilant.

Ball Minute continued

Fireworks Minute continued

Remembrance Day Parade

The Parish Council had been approached by people in the village to act as facilitators. The names of all those who order wreaths are to be obtained so that a wreath laying order can be established. It was suggested that someone be nominated to marshall the procession. The police are to be asked to close the road from 10.45 am until after the two minutes silence. It was suggested that seats be reserved in church for servicemen. Councillor Kirk is to liaise with the vicar.

Councillors' reports

Councillor Mrs Greenwell reported that a street light in Pearsonville was still not working. It is to be reported.

Councillor Fletcher reported that traffic calming measures for the A172 were in hand and would include gateway calming. It was agreed that flashing amber lights for the crossing to Marwood School had not been needed so far. Traffic calming for the cemetery corner and Church Drive had been mentioned.

Brian Helm is to commence refurbishing village seats in the near future.

Councillor Bell asked if traffic calming measures could be introduced in Easby Lane. NYCC are to be contacted. He reported that the bushes on the riverside near the Conservative Club required attention. Brian Helm cuts these each year.

Councillor Fletcher asked if the alders growing on the river bank on Low Green should be removed. It was said that Northumbrian Water should deal with them and it was thought that Mr Winn had consulted them in the past. The clerk is to investigate.

Councillor Bell reported a successful town twinning visit to France which had included football matches.

Councillor Mrs Stevens reported that a litter bin had been turned over in the bus shelter near the allotments. HDC are to be notified.

Councillor Kirk reported that he would be unable to attend the Civic Service and lunch. Councillor Mrs Stevens is to attend in his place.