

Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council
held on 28th September 1999 at 7.00 pm

Present

Councillors R Kirk, Chairman, Mrs F Greenwell, J Fletcher, Mrs J Imeson, Mrs M Stevens, L Groves. PC C Hibell and two members of the public also attended.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P Bell.

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 31st August 1999 were approved and signed.

Police Business

One hundred and three incidents, of which 22 were crimes, were reported. Trends were for thefts of mountain bikes, diesel, and from and of motor vehicles. A girl had been pushed off her bicycle and the bicycle stolen. The bike had been recovered and two Cleveland men arrested. A burglary at sheltered accommodation in Thirsk raised fears that old people were again to be targeted by thieves. Operation Neighbour is to concentrate on sheltered accommodation. In Newton Road a girl had been grabbed from behind by a man wearing dark clothing and hat. She was able to escape and ran home.

Councillor Mrs Imeson asked about the drug scene and said that reports of arrests and questioning were satisfying. It was reported that the situation was no worse.

The Police are to monitor vehicle obstructions in Park Rise.

Councillor Kirk thanked the police for their vigilance on the day of the village photo. He asked that parents be encouraged to ensure that children had lights on their bicycles now that evenings were getting dark. PC Hibell was thanked for attending.

Matters arising

Ayton School development/lease for sports field Minute continued

Whitbread bridge Only one tender had so far been received. Two others are to be chased up.

Flagpole outside library NYCC Building Management and Development Department are to be asked to quote for providing the foundation.

Internet/computers The village website prepared by Steve Kirby had been visited and it was suggested that Cliff Rigg should be included. The project for installing computers at Roseberry School was progressing.

Play area - plan for improvement RoSPA had recently undertaken an inspection of the play area which had identified several items in need of attention. The play area sub-committee are to inspect the play area in the near future. A letter from a resident complaining about the state of the play area near his boundary was read to the Council. This also will be investigated. Two swings had been vandalised.

CAPE Scheme - fencing Low Green Minute continued

Flower tubs/sponsorship Councillor Mrs Imeson reported that the Hollygarth Line Dancers would like to sponsor a tub. The clerk is to contact Mrs Marsay. Volunteers to look after additional tubs were likely to be needed. It was observed that the flower baskets on the Royal Oak and Toscas were magnificent.

Community Service jobs The clerk reported that Community Service had declined to undertake any of the jobs outlined as being too boring and demoralising for their workers. A request for the decision to be put in writing had been ignored. Councillor Mrs Imeson asked that a letter asking for written confirmation of the situation be sent, and a copy made available for her to bring to the attention of William Hague MP.

Highways matters - footbridge Low Green The missing rail from the bridge had been replaced at the Council's request in the interest of safety. The Council did not accept responsibility for the bridge and investigations into ownership are to continue.

Grass cutting, verges Three tenders had been received and were handed to Councillor Kirk for appraisal.

Burial of ashes/cemetery regulations It was agreed that there was no need for change to the existing regulations but that they should be rewritten more comprehensibly.

Cliff Rigg Wood Minute continued.

Telephone box, Newton Road Minute continued

Bellman's bell Illness in the family has put the handing over of the bell on hold.

Bow House Publishing - advertisement in brochure A proof of the revised advertisement had been received and approved.

Auditor's report Draft Standing Orders had been prepared and were handed to Councillors for approval or amendment. To be discussed at next meeting.

The Consolidated Stock is to be sold.

Christmas float/dates It was provisionally agreed that the float should tour the village from 5pm on Monday 20th December. The carols on High Green would take place on Saturday 18th December subject to availability of clergy.

Street cleaning A new street cleaner had been appointed to Great Ayton. A copy of his schedule had been obtained.

Village Hall Councillors Groves and Kirk are to meet and discuss.

Mini roundabout, Station Road A letter from HDC indicated that they had favoured the use of more traditional materials but the plan had been rejected by NYCC. Further representations are to be made to the developer by HDC and the clerk is to send a copy of HDC's letter to NYCC for their comments.

Remembrance Day parade Minute continued.

Traffic calming Easby Lane Minute continued.

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)	88.12
E K Williams Ltd (petrol) (direct debit)	92.02
Inland Revenue (underpayment of NI conts 96/97)	124.03
HDC (new lock for litter bin)	3.58
SLCC (fee for training day)	12.00
Stephen Johnson (cutting trees)	188.00
Brian Noble Fencing Contractors Ltd (fence play area)	6014.48
M L Holden (reimburse telephone calls)	11.84
The Firework Co (Millennium fireworks)	620.00
P H Greenwell (repair allotment tap)	43.73
Playground Management Services (inspection)	71.68
<u>Receipts</u>	
Hambleton District Council (precept)	15500.00

Correspondence

NYMNPA - re Local Plan - forthcoming deposit period

Askew Bunting - re application for a Provisional Justices Off Licence

Mrs J Roberts - street cleaning, bins, Sec 106 payment

Mr and Mrs Baxter - fence play area. The clerk is to reply that an inspection of the play area is to be made.

Mr E Hayward - re letter from Mr G Hetherington

Mr G Hetherington - copy of letter to NYCC re traffic Yarm Lane

HDC - Street naming and numbering 23a Linden Avenue

HDC - public entertainment licence - variation for Millennium Eve

NYCC - Parish Council News, Millennium event notification form. They are to be notified of firework display on Millennium Eve.

Wimpey Homes - highway works Station Road. The clerk is to respond that the Council has no reason to make representations against Wimpey's wishes.

Mr A Williams - re memorial seat High Green. Mr Williams is to be advised to contact the Royal Oak Taverners to enquire if he could use the concrete plinth opposite the Royal Oak.

NYMNPA - Northern Area Parish Forum, meeting 5th October. Corporate Financial Plan 2000/2001. Councillor Mrs F Greenwell to attend the meeting.

Councillor Kirk reported the receipt of a reply to his letter to the Scouts' County Commissioner. Councillor Fletcher declared a code of conduct interest and left the chamber.

The following items of information were received:

NYCC - poster re Children's Information Service

HDC - TPO's Easby Lane and Langbaugh Hall

NYCC - Pension Fund ill health procedures

NYMNPA - agenda for info., Planning Committee agenda for info.

HDC - street collection dates

Clerks and Councils Direct - magazine
 WDS Signs Ltd - brochure signs and noticeboards
 NYMNPA - Annual Report 98/99
 Glasdon - various brochures

Planning

The following planning applications were received:-

Extension to existing dwellinghouse 43 Roseberry Crescent - amendments. No representations
 Construction of detached dwellinghouse - land off Easby Lane. A copy of a letter from a resident to HDC was read to the Council. No representations
 Construction of a domestic garage to replace existing - 21 Whinstone View. No representations
 Alterations and extensions to 2 existing dwellings - 1/2 High Green. No representations
 Listed Building Consent for above. No representations
 Formation of pitched roof on existing dormer window - 18 Skottowe Drive. No representations
 Extension to existing dwelling house - 16 Farm Garth. No representations
 Listed Building Consent for alterations to and repainting of existing dwelling - Ayton Hall. With regard to the windows, the Parish Council asked that HDC's decision be consistent with other applications for listed buildings in Great Ayton. It was felt that it was a shame to remove the shutters.
 Revised application for alterations to and including part-demolition and reconstruction of part of existing former school building to form a dwelling - Ayton School. No representations.
Plans approved
 Listed Building Consent for alterations to existing dwelling - 3 Low Green
 Extension to existing bungalow - 14 Angrove Drive
 Extension to existing bungalow and domestic garage - 74 Guisborough Road
 Alterations and extensions to existing dwellinghouse - 94 Newton Road

Millennium

Domesday Book About 1500 people had turned out for the village photo. This was better than expected but worse than hoped for. A number of orders had been received for the book on the day of the photograph. The Parish Council is to help collect data from residents and photographs are to be requested. Chairmen of local organisations are invited to attend a photographic session in Roseberry School on 18th October.

Ball Minute continued

Fireworks These have been ordered.

Councillors' Reports

Councillor Fletcher had received a letter from Mrs Waterton concerning the condition of the arcade. The clerk is to write to the owner of the arcade and request that it be tidied up.

Councillor Groves reported that there was a waiting list for allotments. Several had been identified as being in need of attention and the tenants asked to effect an improvement.

He reported that the improvements to the path up Roseberry Topping had been completed. Two sections remained unpaved which he thought was a mistake. The clerk is to write to the National Trust citing the original plan and expressing the Council's concern if the sections of path are to remain unpaved.

Councillor Mrs Stevens proposed that the usual donation be made to the Scouts for fireworks. This was agreed at £150 as last year.