

Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council
held on 30th November 1999 at 7.00 pm

Present

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

Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 26th October 1999 were approved and signed.

Police Business

There had been a number of car thefts and thefts from cars. Operation Neighbour was running and proving successful. Four arrests had been made and numerous stop/checks made.

PC Hibell's request for a donation towards a bike light scheme was approved by a majority of councillors, the intent being to help the police enforce regulations rather than reward youngsters who hadn't provided their own lights.

Patrols of Park Rise, the arcade and the library car park were still being made and outreach workers had spent time with problem youths.

A request from a villager that a speed trap be set on Levenside would be considered.

Matters arising

Ayton School development/lease for sports field Minute continued

Whitbread bridge Minute continued

Flagpole outside library Minute continued

Internet/computers It was expected that up to 20 computers would be installed at Roseberry School by March 2000. There was a waiting list of 84 people interested in the courses.

Play area - plan for improvement The plan for the new equipment had been received. It was suggested that the hedge be removed and replaced with a fence to make the play area more open and visible with a view to preventing damage. The play area sub committee are to meet and discuss.

CAPE Scheme - fencing Low Green Minute continued

Flower tubs/sponsorship Hollygarth Line Dancers are to be thanked for their sponsorship.

Community Service Jobs Minute continued

Highways matters - footbridge Low Green It was agreed that the Parish Council had never maintained the bridge and that Highways had created a precedent by doing so. Highways are to be approached again.

Cemetery regulations Minute continued

Telephone box, Newton Road BT are to be asked again to consider replacement as having only 2 payphones in the village was thought to be inadequate. HDC Planning Department are to be reminded that at the planning stage it was recorded that provision be made for replacement.

Christmas - float/carols The date for the float was to be changed to 23rd December at 5.30. The float collection to be used for Christmas lights. The collection from the carol singing would be donated to NCH Action for Children. Peter Greenwell would make a new decoration for the top of the tree which would cost about £80. This was approved.

Village Hall An inspection of the building is to be made.

Arcade It was reported that the arcade was looking derelict. The owners are to be contacted again with a firm request that the area be given a facelift.

Trees/tree guards Langbaugh corner The trees had been planted. B Helm would be asked to make guards for them. The guards supplied by Rotary will be used for the new cherry trees on High Green. B Helm to be asked to dig out roots of cherry trees.

Dog waste bin Minute continued

Replacement of trees and shrubs, cemetery extension Fencing at the rear of the extension is in need of repair. Broadacres are to be approached. A request for replacement of a gate at the rear of the cemetery had been received. It was agreed that there had never been an entrance there and it would not be appropriate to have one.

Library - reduction in opening hours No response had been received from NYCC to letters of concern about the cuts in opening hours. The clerk is to write again in stronger terms. A letter is also to be sent to the Chairman of the Education Committee, copied to the Leader of the Council.

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)	88.13
E K Williams Ltd (petrol) (direct debit)	40.61
Mrs E Coles (planting tubs)	87.47
Mr T Featherstone (planting tubs and signs)	60.00

Christ Church PCC (stained glass window)	1500.00
Thompsons Hardware (padlocks, brushes)	22.76
The Royal British Legion (poppy wreath)	13.00
Hambleton District Council (litter bin)	88.13
M L Holden (phone calls, material)	86.85
Eric Harrison (work in cemetery extension)	39.00
Worthy Pearson News (photocopying)	21.21
W B Helm (telephone rental)	32.75
<u>Receipts</u>	
Consolidated stock	156.69
Cossey (garage rent Nov and Dec)	20.00
Allotment rents	1241.00

Correspondence

NYMNPA - North York Moors Local Plan - comments invited. *Councillor Kirk to handle*

HDC - Hambleton District-wide Local Plan, user survey, monitoring report. *Councillor Kirk to handle.*

Mrs D Sills - re timing of firework display, Millennium Eve. *After discussion it was agreed that the firework display remain at 12 midnight as it was to be symbolic of the old year ending and the new beginning.*

Mrs M Pownall - memorabilia. *Items relating to Ayton Firs to be shown to Mrs Southall, then to be offered to Library for display*

HDC - Precept, revenue estimates. *It was resolved to precept for £32,000 for the year 2000/01*

Hambleton CAB - request for donation. *Denied*

HDC - Parish Council training on planning - request for comments, topics. *Four places to be reserved for Councillors on training course*

Cleveland (UK) Scouts and Guides - request to hold duck race on Leven. *Permission granted with the proviso that all litter be tidied up and the event properly stewarded. Date to be approved by Great Ayton Scouts.*

HDC - District Leisure Strategy - request for comments. *Councillor Kirk to handle*

Mr and Mrs Phalp - re problems caused by building development. *Received*

Thorp Parker - re access to 2 Easby Lane. *It was agreed that access be allowed to continue but at an annual fee of £10.*

NYMNPA - Agenda for info., Planning Committee agenda for info., Northern Area Parish Forum - notes of meeting 5.10.99. Next meeting 19.1.00 - agenda items requested. *Councillor Mrs Greenwell to attend.*

Paul Ancell - re parking. *Parish Council has no powers to introduce parking restrictions. Copy of Mr Ancell's letter to be sent to HDC Legal Department.*

Malcolm Parker - re tree growing in wall of PC's garage. *Parish Council agreed to work being carried out but suggested that the Council contribute 25% of cost and Mr Parker's client 75%*

Mrs B Breckon - request for WI to plant tree for Millennium. *Approved. Area near seat opposite top garage suggested as possible site.*

Andy Williams - re. seat on High Green in memory of Wayne Dymond. *Permission to install seat on High Green approved. To be sited near bus stop.*

Mouchel - re. closure of Great Ayton Bridge for resurfacing and/or strengthenin. *Highways to be asked where the diversion would go bearing in mind that Little Ayton bridge was now weight restricted. As Great Ayton bridge was strengthened some years ago Highways to be asked to consider a weight restriction rather than further strengthening.*

The following items of information were received:

NY Fire & Rescue Service - event organisers training seminar

Atha & Co - application for transfer of licence - Bells Stores

NYCC - re traffic issues Low Green: copy of letter sent to Mr Hetherington

NYMNPA - Moors Messenger, Local Plan Special Edition

HDC - tree preservation order - Ayton Firs

YRCC - Parish Government Conference 3/5 March 2000

Chloe Arnold - thanks for allowing her to hold cake stalls, description of trip

NYCC - NYPFOG meeting, LPGS ill health retirement, NY Pension Fund - costs of early retirement, employer's contribution rates 2000/01, 2001/2

REVOLT - draft minutes AGM

Environment Agency - flood warning information pack

Bow House Publishing - colour proof

Clerks and Councils Direct - magazine

Hambleton and Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership - newsletter

J Thoms Ltd - brochure - tree care and amenity products

BGOP - newsletter, posters, request for volunteers

HDC - Christmas tree chipping scheme, posters

HDC - leaflets - "Guide to Surviving the Millennium"

Planning

Provision of access gate - part of OS field 3254. *No representations*
 Alterations and extensions to existing bungalow - 17 Addison Road. *No representations*
 Alterations to existing ground floor shop for use as domestic living accommodation in conjunction with existing dwelling - 37 High Street. *No objections but plan A preferred*
 Extension to existing dwelling house - 85 Wheatlands. *No representations*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwellinghouse - 1 Linden Avenue. *No representations*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwelling - 1 Cliffe Terrace. *No representations*
 Alterations and extension to existing dwelling - 11 Station Road. *No representations*
 Extension to existing dwelling - 32 Langbaugh Close. *No representations*
 Application for listed building consent for replacement window - Aireyholme Farm. *No representations*
 Extension to existing dwelling house - 1 California Grove. *No representations*
 Application for consent to fell 2 trees and carry out works to 9 trees subject to TPO. *The Parish Council agreed that if an arboriculturist had inspected the trees when the TPO was put on and found them to be sound, they objected to their removal. Objected to removal to provide a view.*
 Construction of 3 horticultural polytunnels - Cooks View Nursery, phases 1,2 and 3. *No representations*
 Formation of pitched roof on existing dormer window as amended - 18 Skottowe Drive. *No representations*
 Provision of replacement gates, 7 Low Green. *No objections but Council pointed out that originals were wooden*
 Listed building consent for above. *As above*
 Formation of pitched roof on part of existing dwelling - 34 Langbaugh Close. *No representations*
 Extension to existing dwellinghouse and domestic garage - Long Meadow, Stanley Grove. *No representations.*
 Construction of dwelling - land adjoining 49 Romany road. *No objections but Parish Council feed that planned dwelling is larger than rest of terrace and may not fit in comfortably.*
Plans approved
 Extension to existing dwelling - 33 Station Road
 Revised application for alterations to and including part-demolition and reconstruction to form part of a dwelling as amended - Ayton School
 Construction of domestic garage to replace existing - 21 Whinstone View
 Extension to existing dwellinghouse as amended - 43 Roseberry Crescent
Planning consultation
 Report on planning application which was determined contrary to views of the Parish Council - Mill Farm

Millennium

Domesday Book Mrs Essex reported that the census was ongoing but there had been a problem with collecting data on the council estate due to a lack of volunteers
Ball Minute continued
Fireworks Councillor Fletcher to produce posters
Millennium Programme It was agreed to hold two nights entertainment if enough acts could be assembled. Mr Bill Redpath is to be asked if he would be willing to draw the show together. The format of the souvenir programme was agreed and Councillor Fletcher asked to design it; Councillor Bell to arrange printing.

Councillor's reports

Councillor Mrs Imeson reported that she had received a complaint about cars on pavements. It was noted that the police tended to turn a blind eye so long as there was room for prams and wheelchairs. Complainant advised to contact the police.
 Great Ayton was not entered in the Loo of the Year competition so did not receive an award. HDC are to be asked for entry dates, to be noted in diary.
 The Showmans Guild would bring whatever the Parish Council wanted for celebrations on High Green.
 Councillor Mrs Stevens reported that at the meeting with the play equipment manufacturer he had commented on the poor condition of the daisywheel roundabout and safety surfacing. Playdale are to be contacted and asked to bring the equipment up to standard.
 Councillor Fletcher reported that a complaint had been received that the Mill building to replace that which had been demolished was not exactly as it had been. It was slightly higher and the roof pitch different.
 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 29th December 1999.