

## SCORTON PARISH COUNCIL

The normal monthly meeting held on Wednesday 20th May 2015 at 7.55pm in the Scorton Methodist Chapel.

Present: - Cllrs Harper, Hull, Horsfall & Partington, Parish & District Cllr Threlfall, Rev Yvonne Callaghan (Bolton on Swale School Governor)

- 1) Apologies. Cllr Robinson, PCSO Jordan Wallace & County Cllr Les.
- 2) Declarations of interest. None.
- 3) Approval of minutes dated 29<sup>th</sup> April 2015. It was resolved to accept the minutes as a true record.
- 4) Crime Report. Very small report this month and residents to keep reporting crimes and suspicious activities.
- 5) Updates from previous meetings.
  - Archery field/Old Garage site. No further action until after the Local Plan consultation on 1<sup>st</sup> June.
  - Blenheim Road Park. Telephone conversation with Gina Dowson (Taylor Wimpey) who stated that Greenbelt are carrying out play park checks monthly and she is regularly chasing Priestgate solicitors to finalise transfer. She may look at using The Law Council as it is unacceptable that a transfer should take so long.
  - Hole on sycamore tree island. Cllrs Partington & Threlfall will resolve.
  - Grammar School clock. The Grammar School Committee will change the time soon.
- 6) Accounts.

Expenditure: -

  - Plusnet (Broadband supply) £42.00
  - YLCA (Good Cllr Guides x 8) £19.80
  - Community Insurance Services (Insurance) £1000.10
  - (Cllr Partington declares an interest) Letter of request for funding assistance from 1<sup>st</sup> Responders (Donation) £100.00

External audit – approval of annual governance statement. Cllrs resolved to accept the statement.
- 7) Planning items. None.
- 8) Feedback from meetings attended by Councillors. None.
- 9) Safety review. No accidents have been reported this month.
- 10) Report relating to minor parish issues since last meeting. Cllr Threlfall and Mrs Heywood reported the fence down at Bridge Green. No action taken at this time but Richard Harper has offered to repair and moved good post across. Clerk to inform. North Yorkshire Police asked if the PC wanted to take action against the damage of the fence. Cllrs resolved not to. Mrs Heywood reported horses tethered to the new tree guard. Clerk reported to PCSO Wallace and asked if he could have a quiet word with the travellers. Mrs Heywood reported travellers had left rubbish and faeces. Clerk reported to RDC who cleaned up area. Email from Cllr Robinson raising concerns from Mr Calvert about travellers, who suggests using large quarry stones to be placed to prevent access. Cllr Partington queries that if stones were placed then would the fence be further damaged. Cllr Threlfall states that the PC cannot restrict access onto Common Land and Cllr Hull adds that stones would just move problem elsewhere. Cllr Horsfall suggests placing a portaloos at Bridge Green may resolve some of the problems but Cllr Threlfall adds that these have been unsuccessful elsewhere. Cllrs are sympathetic to the problems this time of year brings to Bridge Green. Information from RDC about new large dog fouling signs and asked for one at Banks Lane. Cllr Horsfall requested one near to the

field next to Archers Green, and also a dog fouling report form. Clerk to action. SPC meeting location. Cllr Threlfall declares an interest. A regular club has started up at the Chapel on Wednesday night and the PC meeting is causing this club to have to move elsewhere on those nights. It was resolved to move back to the SWMI if there is availability. Clerk to inform Chapel and send a letter of thanks.

- 11) Correspondence. RDC – Scorton Conservation Area Appraisal adoption. Safer Richmondshire – data logger. Matrix board now in place and await results. NYCC – Bus subsidy reductions. Service 55 is proposed to lose the 9.50 & 10.50 service from Richmond to Northallerton and to be replaced by a 10.15 bus from Richmond. Cllrs disappointed that another bus is proposed to be removed and also about the lack of any service on Sunday. Clerk to reply. Richmondshire Area Committee Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> May & YLCA Branch meeting 4<sup>th</sup> June
- 12) Matters raised by members of the public. None.  
Meeting closed: 9.10pm

Date of next meeting: 24<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 7.30pm