

SCORTON PARISH COUNCIL

The normal monthly meeting held on Wednesday 27th July at 7.30pm in the Scorton War Memorial Institute.

Present: - Cllrs Rafelt, Harper, Parish & District Cllr Threlfall, Members of the Public x 19, County Cllr Les (later)

- 1) Apologies. District Cllr Rowe, Cllrs Aston & Maddison-Potts, Helen Richardson
- 2) Declarations of interest. None
- 3) Approval of minutes dated 18th May. It was resolved to accept the minutes as a true record of the meeting.
- 4) Crime Report. None received.
- 5) Matters raised by the members of the public. Recent Tancred Waterside Proposal Consultation was discussed by most members of the public. Cllr Rafelt states that the PC was surprised at the scale of the proposal and that the PC would not support this proposal in its current form, the management of the area is for 25 years and the wildlife in the Swale corridor will be affected, furthermore this is not at a planning stage yet. Consultation for individual comments before 3rd August to Saddington Taylor. A MOP added that they are strongly against and this needs nipping in the bud, other nearby villages will be affected. The mail drop about the consultation missed certain areas so not all residents were aware. Clerk to put details of consultation on Facebook and noticeboards and District Cllr Threlfall represents Catterick village, Brough St Giles, Brompton on Swale and will inform these villages. Another MOP stated that the consultation has left him with so many questions. The need for preparation, ready for the proposed planning application; there has been minimal consultation and lack of trust with the developers. Once the quarrying was completed then the area was promised as public amenity, this is from the Tarmac Liaison meetings who reassured residents that the area wouldn't be developed. Questions about planning process, Cllr Threlfall states that the Local Plan will not support this proposal, this Local Plan stands for 5 years and will be carried over to the new Unitary Authority. MOP adds that they hope this proposal won't go ahead, another asks if we should be more proactive but it was felt by both MOPs and Cllrs, that the timing is important. MOP asks about Jubilee celebration accounts, Cllr Rafelt states that this will be in the accounts section of the meeting. MOP suggests bird wires on the swings on Mollie Cail park, it was resolved to look into this and apply to all swings in the Parish. MOP discusses the grass triangles on Cleveland Road, leading to problems using the pavements, unsightly ruts, could this be changed to a permanent parking surface? The PC has asked for this some years ago and Highways replied that the area cannot be used for parking as the triangles are visibility splays. Clerk to re contact Highways/Cllr Les and contact PCSO about the blocking of pavements in that area. MOP reports that the grasscutters are sometimes missing areas around the village, clerk to discuss with contractors. MOP asks if anything can be done about the car parking on the pavement outside pre-school, Cllr Threlfall will discuss with pre-school. MOP asks about the new signs on Bridge Green, Cllr Rafelt states that the signs needed to be up prior to the legislation being enforced. NYCC are working on temporary sites for travellers to be moved onto.
- 6) Updates from County/District Councillors. District Cllr Threlfall's report is brief, as DC starting to blend with the Unitary Authority. Funding is available from Area Partnerships, and £1000 to help small businesses. £100,000 is promised from Levelling Up to re invigorate the Garrison centre (Shute Road & new medical centre). Cllr Harper asks if any of the Levelling Up money was allocated towards public transport. Swimming pool regeneration supported by DC. All current taxi drivers within Richmondshire are dementia aware now, and there is a £1000 grant to encourage taxis to purchase electric vehicles. £8 million underspend currently, this money will remain regional.
- 7) Updates from previous meetings. Jubilee celebrations. Thanks were sent to 27 groups/individuals for volunteering both on the run up and on the day. RDC – Communitree Project round 2. Scorton PC has been invited to help with the publicising of this funding as our project was the largest in round 1.

8) Accounts.

Incoming:

- Scorton Feast Committee (Donation towards Jubilee Celebrations) £250.00
- Blenkirons (Burial Fee) £55.00
- Northern PowerGrid (Wayleave) £26.45
- Typhoon Fitness (Advert in S&D Times) £15.00
- RDC (Jubilee Funding) £2000.00
- Encroachment Fees £5.00

Outgoing:

- KC Hire (Toilet Hire) £456.00
- Running Imp (Jubilee Medals) £338.69
- M Goldie (Internal Audit) £100.00
- Unity Trust Bank (Charges) £18.00
- Plus Net (Broadband) £72.50
- V Raven (Wages April, May, June) £1430.00
- Charlie Land (Face Paints & Glitter Tattoos) £31.97
- Genhire (Generator Hire) £762.96
- Howard Cross (Marquee Hire) £1860.00
- Streetscape (Flying Saucer) £3360.00
- William Smith (Posts) £206.56
- I Threlfall (Mulch – Jubilee Green hedge) £42.95
- Care Stock Room (Defib battery) £342.00

Zurich Insurance invoice changed from £1141.97 to £779.49, no change in cover.

Cemetery fencing – revised quotation. New quotation from Len Porter due to increase in price of timber. £3032.50, it was resolved to accept this quote.

Encroachments. Clerk queries relevance of the encroachment fees. To ask NYCC Village Green/Common Land department if this would cause problems to not charge in future.

9) Planning matters

- i. LBC for replacement windows at Clara Meyer, Southside. No objections.
- ii. LBC for proposed extension to outbuilding to reinstate first floor level, demolition and rebuilding of outbuilding, demolition of redundant outbuildings and reinstatement of previously demolished outbuilding at Mill House, Northside. No objections.

Granted: FPP for an extension of existing annex into workshop and garage at Broadmead House, Northside.

10) Adoption of the revised Cemetery Regulations and Application for Permission to erect memorial/add inscription. Cllrs & Cemetery Chair resolved to accept these updated documents.

11) Council phone provision. Cllrs agreed £7.50/month contract for a Parish Council phone.

12) Allotment provision. Cllr Threlfall reports, this idea came about from the last Walkabout with two areas which could be used as allotments. Clerk to apply to the RDC Community Investment Funding. Cllr Les joins meeting.

Cllr Les' report. Local Government reorganisation continues. Meeting arranged with Chief Constable about Police, Crime, Sentencing & Courts Bill. Cllr Les will talk to Highways about the grass triangles in Cleveland Road, Clerk to email details.

13) Walkabout date. Saturday 24th September at 10am

14) Feedback from meetings attended by Councillors/Clerk. YLCA Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner Q&As. Two questions asked from Scorton PC, one about the new Police, Crime, Sentencing & Courts Bill and when this will be implemented. This needs to go through the College of Policing, for national and operational guidelines and will then be implemented throughout the country. Also, that that the PC would like to see more Police participation at PC meetings and more detail on the monthly report, however the Crime Commissioner stated that the report needs to not release any personal data. Additionally online reporting for non-urgent matters is now available through www.northyorkshire.police.uk.

YLCA Branch meeting, interesting speaker from the North Yorkshire Connect, a health, social, wellbeing directory. A quarterly Crime Commissioner meeting should be available through the YLCA.

- 15) Safety review. Streetscape have fitted new nylon bushes to the swing on Jubilee Green, they have carried out this work as a gesture of goodwill. Clerk has thanked. Defib issue battery replaced, problem with the pads but still under guarantee thus supplier replaced and now working.
 - 16) Report relating to minor parish issues since last meeting. Resident reports the Blenheim sign at the entrance is very overgrown. Cllrs will action. Nettles around the edges of Jubilee and Bridge Green, contractors will carry out the work this week. Resident reported an abandoned car outside school. Clerk reported to the Police, vehicle taxed, insured and parked in an area without parking restrictions. Resident reported problems with the cemetery grasscutting and pieces of grass being blown onto the gravestones. No action required. Cllr Maddison-Potts reports pot holes on Blenheim Close. Clerk reported to Highways. Residents state that both the snicket at Cleveland Road and Beaufighter Close are weedy, also litter problems at Beaufighter Close snicket and request a nearby bin. Cllrs will look at this on the walkabout and discuss further. The chicane became dangerous and wobbly, clerk reported and Highways have repaired. Bridge Green required 3 x clean ups following the travellers, RDC did a prompt and good job and a thank you was sent, a resident also helped. Jubilee Green, the new flying saucer matting is quite raised, clerk notified contractors not to cut the grass in that area until settled. Resident reported that one gravestone remains flat, Mr Pickard will remove, replace and secure. Grasscutting cancelled 18.7 due to weather. A resident reported that Stags Way is weedy, clerk reported. Planters removed from Hospital Road.
 - 17) Correspondence. RDC – Area Partnership funding applications open. Colburn Town Council – New Mayor (Cllr Dr Jagannath Sharma) and Deputy (Cllr Colin Mincher). Farmers Arms & White Heifer table licences. Request for 6 tables from 5 this year. It was resolved to re issue the licences for 6 tables. Resident email about Station Road proposal, District Cllr Threlfall will speak to the Officer and clerk to reply. Email re: Bridge Green, email read out and suggests giving the area some TLC, Cllr Rafelt thanks for these suggestions and agreed that this was the next area the PC will focus on. The bridge was repaired some years ago and it was decided then, that it had a limited life. Cllr Threlfall adds that the area around the tree needs some thought, Cllrs will view this area on the walkabout in September. Clerk to re agenda. Also email about recent wildlife sighting, clerk has contacted and source will notify agency. Email about dog nuisance in the Tarmac lakes area, clerk to reply.
 - 18) Co-option of new councillors. Five residents applied. Helen Richardson & Martin Calvert co-opted. Clerk to notify all.
 - 19) Date of next meeting – 28th September
- Meeting closed: 21.30