

HORTON IN RIBBLESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Horton-in-Ribblesdale Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 24th April 2023

Present – Martin Hanson (Chairman) Fiona Durham, Joan Myers, Kathryn Jackson and James Hudspeth

Ian Orton – Parish Clerk:

24 Members of the public were present.

43/24. Apologies for Absence: Thomas Millman

44/24. Code of Conduct – Localism Act 2011 To record any councillor's disclosable pecuniary interests in relation to any item on this agenda. To consider any changes in members' register of interests & to consider any dispensations: Cllr Myers declared a pecuniary interest in HOR2 site of the Yorkshire Dales National Plan Local Plan.

45/24. Public Participation: The Chair indicated he would ask for public comments once he had introduced the Local Plan.

46/24. Local Plan: Possible Housing Sites: The Chairman introduced the Local Plan indicating that the Parish Council felt no more housing is required in Horton at present and the Local Plan Consultation was part of the Local Plan process and no sites had been agreed yet by Yorkshire Dales National Park.

The Chair continued indicating that five of the six sites were unsuitable for residential use and went through the five sites that were unsuitable:

HOR4 Land west of B6479 & north of Holme Farm Campsite:

The Chair felt this site would not be considered as the land was unsuitable.

HOR2/3 Land between Cragg Hill Road and railway: The Chair confirmed this land was still zoned for industrial use in the future and very unlikely to be developed for residential use.

HOR5 Land to the north, east and south of Chapel Lane Terrace: The Chair indicated the site was in close proximity of recreational space which made the land valuable for recreational rather than residential use.

HOR6 Land west of B6479 opposite Rowe Garth: The Chair confirmed planning permission had already been granted for this site and an amendment to the plan was on the agenda of this meeting

HOR1 Land between Hillside and recreation ground Station Road: The Chair felt this site was most 'at risk' and asked for comments from the public who were present. Members of the public asked the following questions:

- a) What will the new houses be like?*
- b) Why is YDNP agreeing houses that will only become holiday homes*
- c) The HOR1 site is subject to frequent flooding.*
- d) The disused school could be used for housing*
- e) Ask the YDNP how they arrived at the housing numbers*
- f) Concern was raised about the loss of view of Pen-y-ghent*
- g) Strong comments were made about the impact on the existing over stretched infrastructure*
- h) Issues were raised about additional B&B businesses would be established*

In addition to the above comments the Chair gave details of concerns raised by the Craven Pothole Club about sites HOR1 and HOR6.

Cllr Hudspeth confirmed that the full consultation exercise would continue into the spring of 2024. Cllr Myers was very pleased to see so many people at the meeting adding that the proposed housing would have an impact of the carbon footprint of the parish. The Council felt that additional housing would create flooding issues, create even more pressure on the infrastructure, undermine existing open space and were a threat to wildlife.

The Council requested the clerk to post details of the Local Plan and ways to comment on the Horton in Ribblesdale Chat Page of Face Book with Cllr Hudspeth adding the details could be added to the new Horton Parish Council website.

As comments had to be submitted to Yorkshire Dales National Park by Friday 12th May 2023 the agreed to inform YDNP:

That all six proposed housing sites numbered HOR1, HOR2, HOR3, HOR4, HOR5 and HOR6 are not potential housing development sites for the following reasons:

- a) Flood risk
- b) Strong concerns about the inadequacy of the Horton infrastructure to support more residents
- c) Additional housing would put local wildlife at risk
- d) Local spaces would be diminished

47/24. Planning Application: Land at Rowe Garth: C/44/277A The Chairman introduced the amendment to the planning application and after discussion it was agreed to defer the amendment request to the next meeting of the Council on Monday 15th May 2023 to enable councillors to carry out a site visit.

24. Date of The Next Parish Council Meeting(s) – Monday 15TH May 2023

Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm

Annual Parish Council Meeting at 7.30pm

Signed

Date