

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 17th April 2023

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

Councillor David Staveley (North Yorkshire Council)

Ian Orton – Parish Clerk:

25/24. Apologies for Absence: Thomas Millman

26/24. 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 Hanson declared a non-pecuniary interest in Planning Application C/44/12C and Cllr Myers declared a pecuniary interest in the YDNP Local Plan.

27/24. Minutes of the Meeting held 13th March 2023: Cllr Hanson and Cllr Durham proposed as a true and correct record and the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th March 2023 were approval.

28/24. Matters Arising – (Actions). The clerk mentioned that he had removed two parish council owned filing cabinets from Horton Station Community Room so refurbishment work could be carried out. The contents were now being stored in his garage. The clerk added that the Minute Books, going back to 1895, were also being stored there and wondered if the Council wished to transfer them to the North Yorkshire Records Office. The Chair thanked the clerk for the suggestion but felt the Minute Books would be more accessible if stored locally.

29/24. Public Participation

a) A member of the public was concerned that the large pothole on the road just outside Selside is now a danger to road users. Cllr Staveley agreed to refer the concern to North Yorkshire Council Highways.

b) Another member of the public indicated that the removal of a light adjacent to her home was creating difficulties. The Chair explained the lighting was linked to the Parish role supporting footpaths. Cllr Jackson moved that councillors should re-inspect the lighting in the parish to assess what was needed for the darker months. This was agreed.

c) Several members of the public stated that the suggested number of new houses proposed by the National Park in the parish was out of keeping with the needs of the parish. The Chair indicated the concerns of the community would be taken into account when the Council considered the YDNP Local Plan later in the agenda. Cllr Staveley added that concerns should be reported to YDNP before 12th May 2023. Cllr Hudspeth suggested a Sub - Committee of councillors met to review the Local Plan.

d) Cllr Durham mentioned that anti-social behaviour by dog owners was on the increase. The public present agreed and it was suggested that notices about dog fouling should be placed on the playing field.

e) A resident was concerned about the proposed diversion of the footpath by the station and the need for the new foot bridge, neither of which he felt were required. The Chair confirmed that the footpath diversion was on the agenda but planning permission for the foot bridge had already been agreed.

30/24. North Yorkshire Council Reports. Councillor Staveley gave an update on the last twelve months and the impact on services provided by North Yorkshire Council. He confirmed that as a local member, a sum of money was available for local projects. Any grant application would require a minimum of 10% match funding.

31/24. Vacancies and co options. The Chairman indicated there was still a vacancy for parish councillor. Cllr Jackson stated a member of the public attending the meeting was considering joining the council. The Chairman welcomed the prospective councillor to the meeting.

32/25. Local Plan: Yorkshire Dales National Park: The Chair introduced the main themes of the Yorkshire Dales National Park Local Plan, which included options to build homes on six designated housing sites within the parish. After discussion it was agreed:

An Extraordinary Council Meeting should be held on Monday 24th April 2023 at 7.30pm to discuss the proposed housing sites in more depth

Details of the meeting should be circulated to the community in Horton

33/24 Annual Governance and Accountability Return Certificate of Exemption: The clerk requested authority to engage an auditor as part of the AGAR process and to Complete a Certificate of Exemption as neither parish expenditure or income was above £25,000 per year. The request was agreed.

34/24 Review Website Provision: The clerk introduced a report requesting authority to replace the existing WIX website as it did not meet Web Content Accessibility Guideline 2.1. After discussion and an examination of four quotes the Council agreed to appoint VisionICT to build a new website as a cost of £650 with an annual support cost of £175.

35/24 Notice boards. Cllr Jackson gave an update on the provision of replacement noticeboards and repairs to the bus shelter. The update was noted.

36/24 Planning Applications. Yorkshire Dales National Park Planning.

a) Planning Application C/44/112C: Helwith Bridge Hotel: The clerk introduced the application and after discussion the Council agreed no comments were required.

b) Proposed Diversion of Footpath 05/.65/29: The Chair explained that the footpath diversion was required to construct the footbridge over the railway on the grounds of health and safety. After discussion the Council reluctantly supported the proposed diversion of the footpath.

c) To consider full planning permission for the proposed continuation of the winning and workings of mineral until 3 December 2034. The Council reviewed the application in depth including concerns raised by local residents at the meeting and Craven Pothole Club and after discussion agreed to note the planning application.

37/24 Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance. Street lamp survey -update.

Cllr Myers about the noise from heavy lorries and the lack of road sweeping. It was agreed Cllr Myers would approach Cllr Staveley to ensure road sweeping is carried out. It was confirmed councillors would inspect lighting ready for the winter.

38/24. Correspondence:

A complaint had been received about a coach parked across the disabled bays in the YDNPA car park. The clerk to write to the bus company.

39/24. Police Report. 6 incidences were reported to North Yorkshire Police between 18.03.23 and 07.04.23. Incidents included Concern for Safety and Criminal Damage.

40/24. Financial Statement & Invoices for Payment. The clerk reported 15th April 2023 balances of £8472.68 in the Current Account £6168.13 in the Savings Account and £3611.42 in the Dinsdale Account.

Invoices for Clerk Administration, Clerk Salary, YLCA Subscription, npower, Harrison and Cross and Robert Davidson were presented and authorised for payment.

41/24. Items to be included for next Council meeting:

Milk Stand, Logo for Parish Council, Church Yard Gate

42/24. 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