

Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

Minutes of meeting – 16:03:2011 at 7.30 p.m.

Present – Mrs Booth, Mr Tubby, Mrs Herbert, Mr Peirson, Cllr Barker and two residents.

1. Apologies – Mr Alexander, Mr Wood.

2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 16th February 2011 were accepted and signed.

3. Matters for Report –

Item 5 – Molehills in St Andrews Churchyard – The clerk had spoken to Mr Thornton from HDC about this. The annual inspection is due in March and Mr Thornton confirmed that this would be investigated then and dealt with as appropriate. Cllr Herbert reported that there were also molehills in the Burial Ground. The Clerk was requested to investigate and ask Mr Barker to deal with them if necessary.

Item 5 – Elections Thursday, 5th May – The clerk attended the briefing meeting, had put posters on the noticeboards and has copies of candidate application packs.

Item 15(b) – Audit costs. The clerk had contacted Scorton P.C. who confirmed that they combined both Parish Council and Burial Ground accounts for the audit.

4. Burial Ground –

Cllr Booth informed the meeting that the Notice Board had arrived and she hoped it would be installed shortly. Cllr Herbert offered to provide the plaque. It was suggested that if there was sufficient cement left it could be used to repair the loose signpost on Kirkby Fleetham Green.

The date of the next Burial Authority Meeting was agreed as Monday, 18th April 2011 at Fencote Hall, beginning at 7.30pm.

The financial statement for the Burial ground was circulated and it was agreed to discuss this in more detail at the April meeting.

5. Correspondence-

YLCA – ‘ Good Councillors Guide 3rd Edition’ now available (0103/11); NYCC – notification of Contracted Services Withdrawn Due to Subsidy Reduction (0203/11).

Also Circulated:

HDC – Local Development Framework (0303/11); ‘Clerks and Councils Direct’ –March 2011 Issue 74.

6. Finance

a) It was resolved to pay the following and cheques were signed accordingly:

C.A. Mitton £86.72 for wages (chq 431).

R. Barker £21.00 for mole treatment at Kirkby Fleetham (chq 432).

Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall Charity £60.00 for room rental for meeting (chq 433).

A draft Financial Statement for the year 2010/11 was circulated in preparation for the Annual Parish Meeting.

Councillors accepted a NALC Employment Briefing that there should again be no increase in Local Government Pay.

HMRC – Parish Councils are now required to register as employers. The clerk was requested to organise this.

The Clerk informed councillors that a wayleave of £28.30 had been received from NEDL.

7. Planning –

a) Outcomes

11/00185/APN: Proposal: Application for Prior Notification for the construction of a steel portal frame agricultural storage building

Location: Green Gate Farm, Lumley Lane, Kirkby Fleetham

Applicant: Mr D. Hammond

Notification that formal approval of details is not required .

b) Applications

11/00462/CAT: Proposal: proposed works to Beech Tree

Location: Lime View, Forge Lane, Kirkby Fleetham

Applicant: Mr P Shirt

Following discussion it was agreed that councillors did not feel able to comment without a professional report.

11/00248/FUL: Proposal: Revised application for the construction of a detached dwelling

Location: Land Adjacent To 1 Forge Lane, Kirkby Fleetham, DL7 0SA

Applicant: Mr & Mrs M Dillon

As the closing date for this consultation occurred before this meeting the plans were circulated and a response had been sent.

Cllr Tubby reported that green planning notices had been displayed at Hook Hill Farm but noted that the Parish Council had not received copies. The clerk was asked to pursue this with the Planning Dept.

The Council discussed a previous application and they were advised that further amendments to the application were likely. In the absence of an appropriately timed Council Meeting the delegated powers for planning applications was explained to the residents.

8. Bus Shelter – Great Fencote

Following a complaint from a resident about the difficulty experienced by some members of the community in accessing the bus shelter it was agreed to approach NYCC about the possibility of paving or concreting from the edge of the road to the current shelter.

9. Closure of A684 at Morton on Swale

Concern was expressed about the state of some of the roads. It was agreed that any pot-holes should be reported to the Highways Dept. NYCC.

Cllr Peirson reported that some of the bolts on the replacement bridge on Langton Lane had been removed and others loosened. The Clerk was requested to report this to Highways Dept.

10. Neighbourhood Watch

Notices advertising the need for a co-ordinator had been displayed in the village shop and the editor of the parish newsletter had been requested to include this in the next edition. A volunteer had come forward and it was agreed to pass this information to the police.

11. Village Hall Car Park

Cllr Booth reported that Cllr Alexander had arranged an appointment for next week.

12. Butcher's Bank – proposed nature area

The 23rd March had been proposed by Mr Millington as a working day. The clerk was asked to confirm that was still planned and to organise a start time.

13 . Children's Play Area

Cllr Peirson reported that there had been no further progress.

14. The Green, Great Fencote

Cllr Booth reported that she had spoken to the residents about the state of the Green and that they apologised for this. Quotes had been received to repair the damage but the contractor was unable to do the work until May. The drive is to be hard-cored and gravelled and the side to be covered with mesh and then grassed. It was agreed to continue to monitor the situation.

15. Any Other Business

Village Hall – Cllr Herbert reported that a meeting of a sub-committee has been organised for 22nd March to attempt to take future development forward.

Kirkby Lane – Cllr Tubby reported that there is a problem with litter in Kirkby Lane. Cllrs asked that anyone with information (eg car numbers) pass this on to them so that action can be taken.

Notice Boards – Cllr Booth reported that funding is available and, as all three notice boards need replacing, it was agreed she should investigate further.

Bus Shelter, Kirkby Fleetham – A resident reported that the guttering had disappeared. The clerk was requested to contact NYCC re ownership.

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 21st April 2011 beginning with the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00 pm.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm.