

Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

Minutes of meeting – 21:10:2010 at 7.30 p.m.

Present – Mr Alexander ,Mr Tubby, Mrs Herbert, Mr Peirson and two residents.

1. Apologies Mrs Booth.

2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 16th September 2010 were accepted and signed.

3. Matters for Report –

- a) Item 5 – North Yorks Fire and Rescue Service Community Safety Vehicle Roadshow - cancelled

4. Burial Ground –

A report submitted by Cllr Booth noted that the timetabled working party was badly attended. However, because a funeral service was arranged for 17th October, further work was done later. Cllr Booth wished to thank those who managed to help at either session. She suggested that if volunteer help could not be relied upon the Parish Council may have to consider including a maintenance cost in future precepts, although she felt that this would be a shame.

The Burial Authority has now received monies for the first burial and fees for 4 adjacent plots to be reserved. She suggested that it would now be easier to arrange a bank account for the Burial Authority and keep this separate from Parish Council funds. The initial loan would continue to be managed by the Parish Council but operating costs such as maintenance etc. to be met from the Burial Authority account. This was agreed. The work of the clerk for each funeral also needs to be recognised. It was agreed to consider this at the next Burial Authority meeting.

She also identified the provision of a notice board, renewing of the Chestnut tree and possible spring bulb planting as immediate costs to bear in mind. She also suggested some possible dates for the bulb planting to take place. This was set for Sunday, 14th November, beginning at 2.30pm. The clerk to organise a notice for the village shop.

Information from Harry Stebbing re notice boards was circulated. It was agreed to consider this at the Burial Authority meeting on Monday, 22nd November, 2010.

Cllr Booth also provided information about Managing the Safety of Burial Ground Memorials and suggested that a working party should organise a date to inspect the memorials.

5. Correspondence-

Hambleton Local Development Framework, Draft Open Space, Sport and Recreation Supplementary Planning Document – as response required by 30th September this was circulated and the clerk responded (0110/10); NYCC Highways Dept notification of closure of C40 at Scruton, October 25th –November 11th 2010 (0210/10); NYCC Children and Young People's Service, Proposed Revisions to the Home to School and College Transport Policy – consultation document (0310/10) NHS North Yorkshire and York and South Tees Hospitals, Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery/ Acute Stroke Services Pathways (0410/10); NYCC Highways Dept re proposed closure of A684 at Morton-on-Swale (0510/10); NALC Legal Briefing, Future of the Standards Framework for Members of Local Authorities in England (0610/10); NYCC Passenger Transport, Proposed Bus Service Reductions and Changes to Concessionary Fares (0710/10); Highways Agency, Staged Opening of New Leeming Junction – notification of exhibition at Bedale Hall on Tuesday, 26th October 2010 from 2pm to 9pm (0810/10); NYCC Business and Environmental Services, York and North Yorks Waste PFI update (0910/10); Marie Curie Nursing Service, request for donation (1210/10); Cllr Arundell, notification of resignation from Conservative Party (1310/10).

Also Circulated

North Yorks Fire and Rescue Services Summary of Accounts (1010/10); Hambleton District Council, 'Update', Standards Committee Annual Report and posters (1110/10).

6. Finance

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

C.A. Mitton £86.72 wages (chq 423).

C. E. and C. M. Walker £195.05 for cutting the village greens (chq 424)

Consideration of Council Tax for Parishes

Following discussion it was resolved that, as the costs involved with local elections in 2011 were still unclear, the precept would remain the same for 2011-2012 and, if necessary, raised the following year in order to meet those costs. In the meantime, the clerk would contact YLCA to see if they could provide further information as the Parish Council agreed that it was preposterous to expect them to set a precept when the District Council could not provide accurate costings.

7. Planning –

a) Outcomes

10/01404/FUL Construction of an agricultural building for the housing of livestock and the storing of associated bedding materials and feed stuffs as amended by plans received by HDC on 10 and 12 August 2010 at South Lowfields Farm, Lowfield Lane, Kirkby Fleetham, North Yorks. Notification of approval.

10/01861/FUL Revised application for the siting of a mobile home for manager's accommodation, Stonebridge Trout Lake, Little Fencote, North Yorkshire, DL7 0RR. Notification of approval.

b) Applications

Planning Application Accompanied By An Environmental Statement For Extraction and Processing of Sand and Gravel at Killerby Sand and Gravel Quarry, Killerby, North Yorks. Notification by email.

Cllr Alexander offered to request a hard copy from the planning department and respond accordingly. This was agreed.

8. Children's Play Area

Cllr Peirson had made no further progress on this but would try again to contact Mr Lawson.

Cllr Herbert asked if there had been any further contact from Mr Millington about the land on Kirkby Lane. The clerk reported that there had not.

9. Closure of A684 at Morton on Swale

Following discussion it was agreed that the response from NYCC Highways Dept was unsatisfactory. It was felt that a site visit involving both Highways Dept. and Parish Council representatives would be the best way to resolve the situation as, unless heavy goods vehicles could be banned from Langton Bridge, traffic would not be able to move freely along Langton Lane as there is insufficient width for two lanes of traffic and the whole area would become gridlocked. There was also concern that the issue of public transport and emergency access to the parish had been given insufficient thought.

It was agreed that the clerk should again contact Highways Dept on these issues and, if the work was to take place during the winter months, point out that Langton Lane would need to be included in the gritting programme.

10. Any Other Business

Cllr Peirson reported that one of the Neighbourhood Watch signs had broken. It was agreed he should remove it.

It was noted that the signposts to the church at Kirkby Fleetham had become unreadable. The clerk to contact Highways Dept. about replacements.

Cllr Herbert reported that completed plans for the Village Hall were now ready to go out to tender and asked for suggestions about possible funding. It was suggested that the VSA, Tarmac and Yorwaste could be approached.

Cllr Alexander reported that he had prepared Standing Orders for the Parish Council and would be consulting with Councillors at a future meeting.

Cllr Booth noted that the bus shelter at Little Fencote needs re-treating. It was agreed to notify NYCC.

It was reported that the tree on the green nearest the shop needs attention to enable it to grow straight, Cllr Peirson volunteered to look at this, and the one on the corner of Langton Lane needs replacing as the bark has been strimmed through.

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 18th November 2010 at 7.30 pm.

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm.