

Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

Minutes of meeting – 15:09:2011 at 7.30 p.m.

Present – Mr Alexander, Mrs Booth, Mr Tubby, Mrs Herbert, Mr Peirson and one resident.

1. Apologies – Cllr Wood.

2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 21st July 2011 were accepted and signed.

3. Matters for Report –

Item 4: Cllr Alexander reported that the Burial Ground had been tidied and thanked those who had taken part.

Item 13b: Cllr Herbert reported the landowner had installed a stile and the footpath was no longer obstructed.

4. Burial Ground –

Cllr Peirson reported that he had cut the area ready for winter but that some strimming was needed around the trees and the cremated remains area. Cllr Booth offered to organise this and to do any weed killing necessary. This was accepted with thanks.

As there were no outstanding issues to deal with it was agreed to postpone the meeting planned for October.

5. Correspondence-

HDC Standards Committee Annual Report 2010/2011 and Annual Governance Statement (0109/11) – agreed to circulate; HDC Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plans – Cllr Herbert to look into this and report back (0209/11); NYCC Consultation to refresh the Sustainable Community Strategy for North Yorkshire – completed (0309/11); Highways Agency – correspondence regarding the A1/A684 Junction (0409/11); NYCC Winter Maintenance Parish and Town Council Scheme (0509/11); Cllr Barker re Highway Issues (0609/11); Mrs M Wilson re parish website (0709/11).

Also circulated:

‘Clerks and Councils Direct (0809/11); HDC ‘Update’ July 2011 (0909/11); Rural Action Yorkshire ‘Country Air’ (1009/11).

6. Finance

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

a) C.A. Mitton £69.52 for wages (chq 452).

b) C.E. & C.M. Walker Ltd £398.40 for for grasscutting of the village greens (chq 454)

c) H.M. Revenue & Customs £17.20 for employee income tax (chq 453)

d) Mazars £144.00 external audit fee (chq 455)

e) G.A. Barker £16.00 for Burial Ground and verge grass cutting twice (chq 456)

f) Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council NatWest Account £5,000 to begin the transfer of funds from Yorkshire Bank (chq 457).

Other matters:

g) Change of Bank Account – It was also resolved to request that NatWest now transfer the balance of the Burial Authority account from Yorkshire Bank to the new Burial Authority account at the Northallerton branch.

h) The clerk reported that the VAT refund claim for 2010/11 had been submitted.

7. Planning –

a) Outcomes

11/01082/FUL: Proposal: Alterations and extension to existing dwelling as amended by plans received by Hambleton District Council on 7 July 2011.

Location: Fencote House Great Fencote North Yorks

Applicant: Mrs S Bulman

Notification of approval.

11/01107/FUL: Proposal: Proposed replacement oil tank

Location: 1 Forge Lane Kirkby Fleetham North Yorkshire DL7 0SA

Applicant: Mr M Dillon

Notification of approval.

b) Applications

11/01976/FUL: Proposal: Application to vary conditions 2 and 3 of planning approval 11/00248/FUL to include the installation of 8 photo voltaic panels

Location: Land adjacent to 1 Forge Lane Kirkby Fleetham North Yorkshire

Applicant: Mr M Dillon

Councillors recommended approval.

11/01532/FUL: Proposal: Single storey rear extension to existing dwelling as amended by email received by HDC on 10 August 2011 and plans received by HDC on 1 September and 6 September 2011

Location: 3 Village Way Kirkby Fleetham North Yorkshire

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Holt.

Councillors recommended approval.

8. Bus Shelter – Great Fencote

Snowball and Son had provided a written quotation of £400 plus VAT for the work. It was resolved to accept the quotation and ask Mr Snowball to go ahead.

9. Children's Play Area

Cllr Herbert would investigate whether this would come under the remit of the HDC 'Open Space, Sport and Recreation Action Plan.

10. St Mary's Churchyard

The clerk reported that she had met with Matthew Millington at St Mary's Churchyard. He advised that it would be viable to maintain this as a wild flower area, in the same way as Butcher's Bank. He recommended that it should be cut twice a year, in early spring before the cowslips had developed and the end of August when the summer flowers would have seeded. As it had not proved possible to find a contractor to maintain the churchyard it was agreed that this could be managed by working parties.

The clerk was requested to pass this information on to Mr Millington and to inform the PCC of the situation. It was also agreed to ask Mr Stevenson if he would continue to cut the verges on the approach to the church door.

The clerk was also requested to ask Mr Millington for help with preparing Butchers Bank for the winter.

Concern was again expressed about the condition of one of the gravestones, close to the church door. Cllrs Peirson, Tubby and Alexander to investigate further.

11. North Yorkshire Minerals and Waste Development Programme

Cllr Alexander offered to respond and this was accepted.

12. Signpost on Kirkby Fleetham Green

As the signpost had now fallen down and has been found to be rotten in places, it was agreed to investigate the possibility of replacement. Cllr Alexander to look in to it and report back.

13. Any Other Business

a) 30mph sign on Langton Lane – clerk to inform Highways Dept that this has fallen over.

b) Concern was expressed that the house built on land at 3 Kirkby Lane was now for sale. Councillors were unsure whether the conditions made as part of the planning agreement had been fulfilled ie the planting of replacement trees. It was agreed that the clerk should contact Cllr Wood and ask him to investigate.

c) It had been noted that there had been an increase in the number of HGV's passing through Kirkby Fleetham. It was agreed to monitor this.

d) Cllr Booth expressed concern about the new trees on Kirkby Fleetham Green. Following discussion it was agreed to contact the Woodland Trust about the provision of trees and investigate the best time for planting.

e) The Village Hall – Cllr Herbert reported that there is an AGM planned for October and the Development Committee is looking for a new Chair and Treasurer. It was agreed to make this an agenda item each month.

f) Wedding Marquee – it was agreed that this had worked well. Cllr Alexander was asked to make some basic recommendations for the next meeting so that, should another request be made, councillors were prepared.

Date of Next Meeting –Thursday, 20th October 2011 beginning at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm.