

NORTH STAINLEY WITH SLENINGFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Tuesday 18th March 2014
TIME: 19.30 hrs
LOCATION: North Stainley Village Hall
PRESENT: Councillors Glenys Bailey (Chair), Margaret Goddard (Vice-Chair), David Bryant, James Stuart-Mills, Steve Taylor and Steve Tordoff.
IN ATTENDANCE: Iona Taylor (Clerk)
District and County Councillor Margaret Atkinson

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Bailey declared an interest in item 8 as she is on the North Stainley welcomes the Tour de France committee and item 10 as she is a member of North Stainley Sport & Recreation Trust.

Councillor Bryant declared a personal interest in item 12.3 (Minerals & Waste Joint Plan consultation by North Yorkshire County Council).

Councillor Stuart-Mills declared an interest in item 5 as he is a governor of North Stainley C of E Primary School and has been actively involved in developing school related aspects of the forthcoming village consultation.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Alston who was on holiday.

3. MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

A minor amendment to the minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2014 was agreed. The minutes will be approved and signed at the Council's next meeting.

4. ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD FROM THE LAST MEETING – none.

5. DEVELOPMENT IN NORTH STAINLEY

Councillors considered correspondence with James Staveley of North Stainley Estate about his proposed consultation with North Stainley residents. It was agreed that the Parish Council should not take any active part in this phase of consultation, but allow Mr Staveley to carry out an informal and narrative exercise which will act as general guidance rather than a referendum. Details about Mr Staveley's proposed consultation were discussed, including information submitted for inclusion by North Stainley C of E School.

It was noted that a petition has been circulated amongst residents of North Stainley to object to the deteriorating condition of the garage, shop and surrounding area. The petition is addressed to North Stainley with Sleningford Parish Council. It was noted that a recent application, made by North Stainley Estate to Harrogate Borough Council, to demolish the garage and redundant buildings was refused. Once received, the Parish Council will acknowledge receipt of the document and then forward it to North Stainley Estate as the appropriate recipient.

6. CHANGES TO BUS SERVICES

It was noted that the revised timetable for the 159 bus service reduces the frequency of service from 1st April from hourly to not more than 2 hourly. Community transport will be enhanced to provide additional support.

7. LITTERBIN ON WATERMILL LANE

Harrogate Borough Council has advised that since the changeover of the waste collection service to wheeled bins they are changing the collection service for litter bins. They have contacted the Parish Council to advise that they don't believe the bin on Watermill Lane is one which they agreed to empty. Whilst records are scant in some cases, it's their understanding it was put there for the Parish to empty but over time the refuse men have been emptying it and its only come to light because of the change to wheeled bins for refuse.

There are now two options; either the Parish Council can choose to empty the bin itself (through the Parish Caretaker scheme), or for the bin to be removed.

The Parish Clerk has strongly challenged the Borough Council's position and Councillor Atkinson agreed to take this matter up on behalf of the Parish Council.

It was agreed that in the event of the Borough Council refusing to continue to empty the bin the Parish Caretaker will be asked to service it instead.

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8. NORTH STAINLEY WELCOMES THE TOUR DE FRANCE

8.1 Report on preparations.

A report, including the following points was considered:

- A very successful information evening was held on 7th of March, with around 80 people present.
- Significant figures for visiting spectators are being quoted.
- The Cultural Festival begins on the 26th of March with the installation of a stag sculpture at the end of Cockpit Close. Other projects include another sculpture called 'rotation' representing cycle wheels at The Staveley Arms and paintings by the local primary school children.
- A fund raising race night will be held on 25th April. A raffle with exciting prizes is taking place, with the draw to be held on 5th July.
- Plans are in place for the `Tour` weekend, with a musical evening in the Church on the Friday; the partaking of cheese and wine beginning the evening.
- The Hall and the Recreation Ground, along with The Staveley Arms, will be the hub of events for the Saturday and the Sunday.

8.2 Details of litterpick.

Farm & Land Services Ltd have confirmed that the £66 per hour for a litterpick throughout North Stainley on the Monday after the Tour weekend will include at least three team members. It will include all verges and public areas within the 30mph zone of North Stainley.

9. HIGHWAYS

An updated fault sheet, including the following points was considered:

| <i>Ref.</i> | <i>Fault</i> | <i>Update / Outcome</i> |
|-------------|--|---|
| NS 3-12 | Potholes in 40mph zone near Golf Club. | To be addressed as part of major resurfacing works on Palace Road. |
| NS 6-12 | Inadequate repairs to A6108 nr. Shepherdies. | Permanent repair to be carried out by end of March as part of Tour de France preparation works. |
| NS 1-13 | Condition and use of lay-by near Stonehaven. | Potholes now filled in. |
| NS 2-13 | Blocked storm water drain nr. Springhill School, resulting in ponding. | Advised that this is an ongoing problem. |
| NS 5-13 | Ponding opposite entrance to Walled Garden Scheme. | Being addressed on 11/3/14. |
| NS 2-14 | Problems with recently re-surfaced pavement near Beatswell Lawn. | Reported to Highways North Yorkshire and outcome of report awaited. |
| NS 3-14 | Fallen signpost at junction of New Road and Holmtree Lane. | Metal pole rotted and broken about 40cm above ground. Reported to Highways North Yorkshire. |
| Ns 4-14 | Fallen sign at Musterfield road junction. | Reported to Highways North Yorkshire. |

10. NORTH STAINLEY SPORT AND RECREATION TRUST

A report containing the following information was noted:

- Bookings remain buoyant, with a wide variety of events planned in the Hall.
- A successful show involving 20 local children started the year.
- The Grand Depart Team is planning a great weekend for the Tour in July and we all are looking forward to welcoming lots of visitors and friends to the community event.
- This year will see some refurbishment in the Hall, with the majority of the hall being repainted and a possible new catering kitchen being installed by North Yorkshire County Council.
- The Cricket Club are to apply for a grant to have the Wicket `grass` removed and replaced by artificial grass turf.
- A de-fibrillator is now in the hall, with plans to install an external storage cabinet for easier access.
- There have been some changes in occupancy of the flats, which has helped to have space to get the flats refurbished. However with a good number of voids in rented accommodation locally the Trust needs to be active in letting the flats so that any voids are as short lived as possible.

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11. PARISH CARETAKER

The caretaker will be asked to carry out the following jobs:

- Washing street name signs.
- Rub down benches (Councillor Taylor to refer maintenance of the bench at Roseberry Green to the Roseberry Green Management Committee).

12. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

12.1 Consultations on applications.

It was resolved that the Parish Council has no objections to the following applications:

- 6.12.111.A.CO.U 14/00610/CO.U – Change of use from agricultural to horse exercise area at North Lees Barn, North Lees.
- 6.12.34.A.FUL 14/00594/FUL – Erection of single storey and first floor extensions and two dormer windows and installation of door at Danlea, North Stainley.

12.2 Decisions and updates on applications, appeals and enforcement investigations.

| <i>Reference</i> | <i>Proposal</i> | <i>Outcome / Update</i> |
|---|---|---|
| 6.12.80.BC.DVCMAJ 13/04831/DVCMAJ | Deletion of condition 12 (no chalet to be occupied between 5 th January and 5 th March) to allow the chalets to be used throughout the year at Lightwater Valley. | Permitted. |
| 6.12.71.B.FUL 14/00067/FUL | Conversion of ancillary residential use to form coach depot, and formation of hardstanding to form new access at Cottage Farm, Kirkby Road. | Withdrawn. |
| Planning enforcement: 14/00020/PR15 | Alleged extension of domestic curtilage, erection of children's play equipment and construction of manege. | Planning application required (see 12.1). |

12.3 Minerals & Waste Joint Plan, Issues & Options consultation.

It was agreed that the following points should be submitted to North Yorkshire County Council in response to the above consultation:

- The consultation is not fit for purpose in terms of engaging non-specialist stakeholders such as volunteer Parish Councillors.
- In view of the shift from using landfill disposal, the minerals and waste aspects of the Plan need to be separated.
- There needs to be a focus on new areas of search to ensure that one location, such as near this parish, do not become over-burdened with mineral workings. There is a severe and permanent impact on the landscape when sites are restored using water.

12.4 Periodic review of conditions at Potgate Quarry.

It was agreed that the Parish Council should express concern about inaccuracies that have been noted in the information submitted, for example in relation to the listing and location of Listed Buildings or the designation of local sites of scientific and / or nature interest.

12.5 Feedback on planning training provided by Harrogate Borough Council.

Councillor Bailey advised that she did not attend the training session in February. Harrogate Borough Council will be asked if she can attend the one in March instead.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported on items received, including:

13.1 Julian Smith MP.

The dates of Mr Smith's forthcoming surgeries in this area have been received and are now displayed on the Council's website.

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13.2 Waste & Recycling Collection Service – Easter schedule of collections.

It was noted that the collection which would usually take place on Monday 14th April will now happen on Saturday 12th. The normal collection on Monday 21st April will now be on Tuesday 22nd.

13.3 Increased aircraft activity at Royal Air Force Leeming.

There will be increased aircraft movements for various events and exercises taking place from RAF Leeming throughout March 2014. Every effort will be made to keep the disturbance to a minimum.

14. FINANCIALS

14.1 Financial report.

It was resolved that the following report be approved and recorded:

| <i>Bank Balances as at 12/3/14:</i> | |
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| Santander Business Current a/c - ****7955 (Day to Day Banking) | £7,569.97 |
| Santander Business Reserve a/c - ****8255 | £50.00 |
| HSBC Current a/c - ****9511 | £100.00 |
| HSBC Savings a/c - ****2358 | £250.32 |
| TOTAL | £7,970.29 |

| <i>Payments to be approved and recorded:</i> | | |
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| <i>Payee</i> | <i>Details</i> | |
| Farm & Land Services Ltd | Caretaker, January 2014 (Invoice 4030) | £85.50 |
| Iona Taylor | Clerk, January 2014 | £166.89 |
| Iona Taylor | Clerk, February 2014 | £185.32 |
| North Stainley Village Hall | Hall Hire (April - Nov 2013) | £41.40 |
| North Stainley Village Hall | Hall Hire (Jan & March 2014) | £10.80 |
| North Stainley Oil Club | Publicity | £20.75 |
| TOTAL | | £425.16 |

| <i>Receipts to be recorded:</i> | | |
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| <i>Received From</i> | <i>Details</i> | |
| North Stainley Sports & Recreation Trust | March newsletter contribution. | £22.63 |
| TOTAL | | £22.63 |

14.2 Appointment of Internal Auditor for 2013/14.

It was resolved that Mr Place of Mallorie Court, Ripon be reappointed as the Council's Internal Auditor for the 2013/14 period. His charge for this service will be £45.

15. NEXT MEETINGS

The next meetings were confirmed as being on 15th April (Annual Parish Meeting and planning meeting if required) and 20th May 2014 (Annual Parish Council Meeting and a Parish Council meeting).

16. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING

- Feedback from Councillor Tordoff on Neighbourhood Planning camp.

17. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – none.

Meeting closed at 21.37 hrs.

These minutes were recorded and prepared by Iona Taylor, Clerk to the Parish Council.

SIGNED: (Chairman)

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