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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Thursday 13 January 2022 at 7.00pm at the Community Sports Hall, Honeypot Road, Brompton-on-Swale

Present:

Councillors A Guest (Chairman), B Woodley, D Sharp, A Lerigo, R Allinson. S Rudge, David Dempsey, District Councillors Ian Threlfall and Paul Spencer, County Cllr Carl Les and Martin Reynolds (Clerk)

- 1. To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence: Cllr Rowe
- 2. Declaration of Interest: No Interests declared
- 3. Public Participation: Members of the public who wish to speak regarding an item within the remit of the Parish Council may do so. PLEASE NOTE: Total time limit for this item is 30 minutes, each speaker limited to a 5-minute slot.

None

Item 7.2 This was discussed early, to allow the representative from Northern Powergrid to provide the update on Cable works.

Cable Works by Northern Powergrid - Sue Ferguson from Northern Powergrid attended the meeting to provide details of the work being undertaken and the impact this would have on the local area. The work is being undertaken in 2 phases.

- Skeeby substation to Cross Lanes This will operate from 17 January to 11 February and provide capacity for 10 new electrical charging points at Scotch Corner. The work will involve a two-way traffic light system between Skeeby substation and the junction of Mile Planting.
- 2. From Monday 14 February the second phase will continue along A6108 to provide power to the new Outlet Village site. This will involve the closure of the A6108 from 7 February to mid May 2022 between Barracks Bank and Skeeby substation. It is proposed that a signposted diversion will be in place along A6055/A6136 through Gatherley Road Brompton-on-Swale, Brough with St Giles, Colburn, Catterick Garrison and then along Richmond Rd, Longwood Bank, and Rimington Avenue to Richmond.

The matter was discussed at length and concerns were raised about the impact of traffic through the village, which is already experiencing heavy traffic at certain times of the day. The following were put forward to mitigate the impact on the village.

- Undertake the work in 2 separate phases and divert traffic along Scurragh Ln during the road closure of phase 2.
- 2 Signpost from Scotch Corner to divert traffic along the motorway and then through Catterick Garrison.

Sue Ferguson agreed to take away the suggestions to see what can be done to mitigate any impact on the village and will report back.

A leaflet drop will be undertaken to all households in the village to advise of the work being undertaken and advance road work signs will be in place.

Cllr Les to check that no other works are planned during this time that could further impact on the disruption. Cllr Les to also follow up whether there could be additional police presence in the area during the diversion, to deal with speeding traffic.

- 4. To confirm the Minutes of the Last Meeting held on 2 December 2021.

 Resolved: To accept the minutes of the meeting as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Lerigo, seconded Cllr Sharp.
- 5. Matters Arising
- Red Telephone Kiosk (Minutes 2 Dec, item 5.1) It was reported that a number of books have now been placed in the kiosk and donations totalling £6.01 have been received. The Deputy Head of BOS Primary school was happy to receive donations towards school books.
- Augustus Gardens Transfer Plan (Minutes 2 Dec, item 5.2) A Response has been received from Persimmon confirming that the hedge at Tudor Court is included in the maintenance schedule, but is only cut during October to March due to nesting birds. It was reported that this work has still not been completed.

A representative from Persimmon would be happy to meet to discuss the areas to be adopted by the Parish.

The Parish Clerk to respond and request that the hedge cutting work be completed as soon as possible and will arrange a meeting to discuss the adoption of the areas concerned.

Action – Clerk

- **5.3** Reinforcing the Riverside Cllr Les has confirmed an offer of £3,000 from the Area Locality Budget as a contribution towards repairs to riverside walks and banks. The Chairman has completed the form to provide additional details of the work to be completed. Clerk to arrange for the form to be returned to NYCC and copy to Cllr Les.

 Action Clerk
- **5.4 Dog Waste Bin Stephenson Road –**Cllr Woodley confirmed that the old bin can be repaired and brought back into use, he will undertake the work and refit the bin. This may incur some minor costs for materials.

There was a discussion around the issue of an additional bin for the area around Cook Close.

Appoximate cost is £240

Woodley/Cllr Threlfall

- 5.5 Guard Rail, Public Right of Way Steps Grange Road The contractor had confirmed that work would be completed last month, but as yet no date has been received for completion. Chairman to follow up and report back.

 Action Chairman
- **Allotments Site (Mins 2 Dec 5.7)** Meeting arranged with Mike White Headteacher at BOS Primary School on Friday 14 January to discuss future use and possible transfer of allotment site to the school. Chairman and Clerk to attend.

Discussion regarding future use of the land and the options available. Possible car parking for the school, although additional traffic may cause issues for residents. Other possible use is for the school to use as a 'green/nature site'

Action – The Chairman/Clerk

- 5.7 Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebrations (Mins 2 Dec 5.8) Discussion on the proposals circulated by the Chairman for a range of different activities. Cllr Allison has made enquiries regarding the fabrication of a brazier. Various other suggestions made, such as, one of the 2 village pubs to provide a beer tent, asking Heck to provide a BBQ, getting local clubs involved, such as scouts, cubs, cadets. Cllr Spencer also suggested Richmond Duck Club and Richmond Town Rugby Club could be a source of further help.

 Action Cllr Allison
- Play Park Equipment (Minutes 5.9) It was confirmed that £25k improvement grant from RDC had been agreed to improve playpark area on Brompton Park. Cllr Threlfall suggested that RDC to make any improvement and then hand over the play park to the Parish Council. Cllr Threlfall and Cllr Lerigo to put some ideas forward for the improvements.

 Action Cllr Threlfall
- 5.9 Cemetery Wall (Minutes 2 Dec 5.10) The contractor had anticipated doing both areas of work at the same time when he gave the quote and the price was based on that. Total cost would be £2,500.

Approval was given for the work to be completed. Proposed Cllr Sharp and seconded by Cllr Allinson. The Clerk is to meet the contractor on site Monday 17 January to agree start date.

Action - The Clerk

NYCC is to prepare a small scheme to undertake some small areas of inlay patching. A larger resurfacing scheme is to take place at the crossroads, but these planned carriageway inlay patches will help at this busy junction until that takes place.

It was suggested that the initial work be undertaken before the planned Northern Powergrid diversion is in place. Cllr Les to make enquires and report back.

Action – Cllr Les

6. Reports

6.1 Report from NYCC - Cllr Les

£30m has been committed to develop electric charging points across North Yorkshire. Officers are looking at using Catterick village as a pilot for the scheme and if successful will be used to roll out to other villages across North Yorkshire.

The impact of Covid is causing issues within the care system due to absences, which already had high vacancy rates pre Covid. A recruitment campaign is being launched to try and encourage more people into the service.

It was reported that the transition to the new Unitary Authority is proceeding well.

Resident had complained about the traffic light sequencing at the Gatherley Rd junction. It was reported that the lights are working properly.

The Chairman asked the question about the tree removed from behind the bus shelter in River Ln and Richmond Rd and whether there are any plans to plant a replacement. It was confirmed that as it was diseased it would not be viable to replant the same species on the same site due to contamination. It was suggested made to plant a different tree close to the site as part of the Jubilee celebrations.

6.2 Report from RDC - Cllr Threlfall/Cllr Spencer

Current Community Investment Fund to continue in 22/23, this being the final year under RDC. An equal opportunity to apply will be given to all across Richmondshire

Further 30k to be invested in the Richmondshire Apprenticeship Support Scheme

Covid Grant support for Businesses hopefully to include Halls Sports Halls etc. Application forms out early January.

A decision has been made not to support the 'Welcome to Yorkshire' as Councillor's were not in favour of supporting the organization.

RDC approved 42k additional resources to support the request for additional litter bins across Richmondshire.

Discussions taking place to transfer land (play area) Honey Pot Road with a view to developing two Affordable housing units, should this go ahead there would an opportunity for the Parish Council to make any comments at the planning stage and support a principal of occupancy by local people first. It was stressed that no decision has been made and no formal planning application made.

To note small increase in Council House rents

Cllr Spencer reported that a new Police, Fire and Crime Office has been appointed and there will be a Q&A session on 20 January, Cllr Spencer to provide an update following the Q&A.

6.3 Report from The Village Society

Reported that the loss of certain groups due to Covid has impacted on the operation, but some new groups are now using the hall.

The Society agreed they would be willing to assist with the organisation of events for the Queens Jubilee weekend.

7. Current Issues

7.1 Parking issue on Stephenson Drive – An email has been received from a resident regarding a parking issue on Stephenson Drive (parking on grass verges) Suggestions were made to install no parking signs, or bollards to prevent parking. Cllr Les to follow up and provide an update.

- 7.2 Item discussed at start of meeting.
- 8. Parish Finances
- 8.1 To receive and note payments previously authorised and receipts (circulated prior to the meeting). It was resolved to accept the payments and receipts. Proposed Cllr Sharp, seconded Cllr Lerigo.
- 8.2 To receive a Bank Reconciliation and Budget Comparison for the year to date (circulated prior to the meeting).

No questions were raised.

It was resolved to accept the bank reconciliation and budget comparison.

Proposed Cllr Sharp seconded Cllr Lerigo

- 8.3 To approve the following new accounts for payment
 - 8.3.1 To approve payment of £6.99 for book exchange donation box. It was resolved to accept the new payment, proposed Cllr Allison seconded Cllr Sharp
 - 8.3.2 To approve the purchase of 2 new defibrillator batteries and 2 set of pads. Approximate cost £350 £400. It was resolved to accept the new payment. Cllr Rudge to place the order. proposed Cllr Sharp seconded Cllr Woodley
- 9. Correspondence

None received.

10. To consider and decide upon the following Planning Applications

No new planning applications received.

To receive the following Planning Decision/Information

	11.1	21/01003/FULL	Extension of existing terrace and replace existing widows with bi-fold doors. Catterick & Camping Ltd, Gatherley Rd DL10 7JB	No objections/comments
	11.2	21/01035/FULL	Two Lean to Extensions to rear of Flooring Warehouse and Showroom. Showroom units 1 & 2 Station Rd DL10 7SN	No Objections/comments
own gaing of library and library were emic	11.3	21/00969/FULL	FFF for conversion of Existing car port to Garage. Park Top, Parkgate Lane, BOS, DL10 7HD	GRANTED
	11.4	21/00883/FULL	FPP for Pitched Roof to garage, Single Storey Rear Extension and Internal Refurbishment. FPP for Pitched Roof to garage, Single Storey Rear Extension and Internal Refurbishment	GRANTED
	11.4	21/00906/CLE	CLE for Residential Bungalow and mobile home to confirm that the land and building in question has been occupied as a residential dwelling for a period longer than 4 years. Park Top, Parkgate Lane, BOS, DL10 7HD	GRANTED

No comments

- 12. Minor matters
- 12.1 Cllr Woodley asked what was happening with the soil heap at Bathroom World as it has previously been reported and nothing happened. The Clerk will write to North Yorkshire Timber.

Action - Clerk

- 12.2 The Chairman reported that there have been no CoE services in the village for a long time > Chairman and Clerk to write to the Vicar and establish what is happening. Action Chairman/Clerk
- 13. Date of next meeting: Thursday 3 March 2022 at 7.00pm at the Community Sports Hall

Signed: Allen J.

Date: 3 MARCH 2022