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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Thursday 1 September 2022 at 7.00pm at the  
Community Sports Hall, Honey Pot Road, Brompton-on-Swale**

**Present:**

Councillors A Guest (Chairman), S Rudge, R Allinson, B Woodley, A Lerigo, District Councillor Les Rowe, County Cllr Carl Les

1. **To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence:** Apologies were received from, Martin Reynolds (Clerk)
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.  
A resident raised a topic that would be dealt with under Item 7.1 She also raised a request to consider replacing the basketball hoop at Augustus Gardens and the possibility of extending the playing area and obtaining a second hoop.
4. **To confirm the Minutes** of the Last Meeting held on 7 July 2022.  
**Resolved:** To accept the minutes of the meeting as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Woodley, seconded Cllr Rudge.
5. **Matters Arising**
  - 5.1 **Augustus Gardens** – The Clerk had received a response to comments regarding surveyors carrying out work. They completed a survey of the existing watercourse to check its condition and to confirm that additional water going into it from the proposed development can be accommodated safely. Cllr Woodley queried further surveying work carried out in a field close to the sports field. There have been no further answers from Persimmons on The Transfer Plan, a request from a resident to put goal nets on the playing field and to put low level fencing near their house to deter children playing football outside his house and a complaint regarding hedge and grass cutting not being done.
  - 5.2 **Reinforcing the Riverside**  
Cllr Allinson had met on site with NLS to discuss the possible transfer of stones from the opposite bank of the river to fortify our bank. The scheme is quite feasible, and it is understood that the landowner has no objection but before providing a quote for the work the Parish Council needs to secure permission/a licence from the Environment Agency. Initial contact has been made. A licence is likely to cost c£1500.
  - 5.3 **Dog Waste Bin:** The bin has now been placed in position.
  - 5.4 **Allotments Site** – During discussions with the Probation Service representative they indicated that clearing the site was work they could undertake. Cllrs were unanimous in support of the Clerk arranging the work. Cllr Allinson had also completed some cosmetic strimming of the site and had contacted Just the Job (volunteers) to help clear the site. He had also approached GCH and was awaiting a quote. An application had been submitted to the RDC Community Infrastructure Fund.

**Action - Clerk**



- 5.5 **Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations:** The opportunity to present prizes at the school had been missed and the Chairman had suggested to the school that the prizes be held over for a project this term. **Action – Chairman**
- 5.6 **Soil Heap Bathroom World:** The Clerk had sent an email to the owner/landlord of the site but it was returned as "unknown". He has sent a further email to the Registered address. **Action – Clerk**
- 5.7 **Replacement Trees:** Cllr Woodley had placed an order with Thorpe Trees for an oak and a copper beech at a total cost of c£240 for delivery in December. The Council agreed the purchase. Proposed Cllr Allinson seconded Cllr Rudge
- 5.8 **Probation Clean Up:** A meeting had taken place with a representative of the Probation Service. They agreed to undertake work cutting back hedgerows on a section of Gatherley Road (date to be confirmed). Graffiti under the A1(M) bridge has been removed by Highways England.
- 5.9 **Overgrown Footpaths:** NYCC have cleared the footpaths on Richmond and Station Roads.
- 5.10 **Road Signs:** NYCC has replaced the defective 40 signs on Gatherley Road and cleaned the remainder.
- 5.11 **Tree Removal Sports Field:** Ben Rennison has been contacted for a quote to remove the tree **Action - Clerk**

## 6 Reports:

- 6.1 Report from NYCC – Cllr Les  
 North Yorkshire had put advice on cost of living difficulties and for help on energy saving on their website and set up a local assistance fund. Inflationary costs were affecting NYCC, an example being a 17% increase in tarmac prices which could result in lower road maintenance.  
 The devolution deal had been signed on 1st August and a new Chief Executive appointed who had started recruitment for other positions.  
 The proposed development at Tancred site, Scorton was raised. The Parish Council was very concerned by the loss of natural amenities and the potential extra traffic through Scorton crossroads and would register these comments with the relevant authority. **Action – Clerk**
- 6.2 Report from RDC – Cllr Rowe  
 The Local Plan (2018) has still not been published. Parish Council to write to RDC Chief Executive expressing grave concern. **Action – Clerk**  
 The new Services at Junction 52 had been approved and RDC had committed £21m to the proposed re-development of Shute Road in Catterick Garrison.  
 Cllr Rowe is leaving the area and this was his last meeting. The Chairman thanked him for his many contributions as a District and Parish Councillor and wished him well for the future.
- 6.3 Report from the Village Society  
 An All Hallows Eve disco is to be held on 29th October. Other fundraising ideas are being developed but there are concerns regarding heating costs. The next meeting is 4th September.
- 7 **Current Issues**
- 7.1 **Purchase of daffodils for planting around the Village:** A resident who attended the meeting had purchased daffodils and other bulbs at a total cost including VAT of £150, including tools for planting. She had raised £140 herself. Permission for planting has already been granted by NYCC. Volunteers are required for assisting with the planting and Cllr Allinson will use the Parish web site.
- 7.2 **Civility and Respect Pledge:** A letter had been received from NALC asking the Parish Council to sign up to the above pledge. It was considered that the Parish Council already behaved with civility and



respect to all people, and it was unanimously agreed that the pledge was unnecessary. Proposed Cllr Woodley, seconded Cllr Rudge.

- 7.3 Encroachment onto the Sports Field:** A person whose property abuts the Sports Field has erected a new fence and, in the process, moved their boundary. It was agreed that the resident would be asked by letter to restore the original boundary or else the Parish Council would do so and charge them for the costs.  
**Action – The Clerk**

**8 Parish Finances**

- 8.1 To receive and note payments previously authorized and receipts (circulated prior to the meeting)**  
It was queried why grants had been received for the Jubilee celebrations for Curteis Drive but no balancing payment made to Curteis Drive. Notwithstanding that, It was resolved to receive and accept the payments and receipts. Proposed Cllr Rudge, seconded Cllr Lerigo. It was later established that the Jubilee money for Curteis Drive has not been transferred as the clerk is awaiting account details from the organiser.

- 8.2 To Receive a Bank Reconciliation and Budget Comparison for the year to date (circulated prior to the meeting).**

Acceptance proposed Cllr Dempsey, seconded Cllr Rudge

**9 Correspondence:**

- 9.1** A letter was received from Citizens Advice Bureau asking for a donation. It was agreed to make a donation of £100, the same as last year. Proposed Cllr Lerigo, seconded Cllr Allinson.
- 9.2** An email had been received from RDC concerning the communities project. It was decided not to sign up to the project but the Clerk will approach the RDC to seek funding under the scheme for the two trees being purchased (see item 5.7).

- 10 To Consider and decide upon the following Planning Applications:**  
No new planning applications

- 11 To receive the following Planning Decisions/Information**

11.1	22/00343/FULL	Create front parking area a 6 Bridge Road, DL10 7HW	Granted
11.2	22/00398/FULL	Single storey extension 8 Nightingale Close DL10 7TR	No comments/objections
11.3	21/00946/FULL	Toilet/Shower Block and extension Caravan site Parkgate Lane	Objection raised due to increase in number of pitches agreed status they have with the Caravan and Motorhome Club
11.4	22/00423/FULL	Conversion of existing garage to form living accommodation 6 River Ln DL120 7HH	No comments/objections
11.5	22/00431/FULL	Change of use of agriculture land to create slightly larger garden.	No comments/objections
11.6	22/00432/FULL	Block some openings to west side of Brewery House, change to opening on north elevation and changes to parking area. 14 Richmond Rd DL10 7HE	No comments/Objections
11.7	22/00472/FULL	Conversion of former agriculture building into residential dwelling. Park Top Parkgate Ln DL10 7HD	No comments/objections
11.8	21/00931/FULL	Amended proposal Solar Farm Land east of A6108 Darlington Rd DL10 7ED	Objection raised as per the original application.
11.9	22/00506/FULL	Change of use of land from agriculture to domestic. Beechgrove, Howe Hill Lane, DL10 7HY	No comments/objections
11.10	22/00696/FULL	Permission for use of former premises for manufacturing tools for pipe cleaning. Gatherley Rd DL10 7JH	No comments/objections



**12 Minor Matters**

**12.1** Cllr Woodley produced two books on the village's history which he suggested should be downloaded onto the village web site. Consideration would be given to re-printing them.

**12.2** Cllr Rudge reported that the defibrillator located in the Sports Hall had to be returned to the manufacturer for software updates. They would supply a replacement in the interim.

**13 Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday 27th October 2022 at 7.00 p.m.at the Community Sports Hall.

Signed: .....  .....

Date: ..... 27 OCTOBER 2022 .....