

Hebden Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held Monday 1st February 2016

Present: Cllrs, Joy, Stockdale, Coney, Hargreaves, Hodge

Apologies: none

The Clerk apologised for the date change and thanked the Cllrs for attending on a Monday.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held 16th December 2015, which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and approved.

Matters Arising:

Rowan Cottage and parking on the Green. While there were no objections to the conversion of the garage to a bedroom, the Clerk will write to the YDNP to point out that there is no parking in front of the garage as shown on the plan as this does not belong to the house owner and is part of the Village Green.

The amended plan to the garage at No 5 Chapel Lane raised no objections.

Land letting update: The Clerk had sent out the Termination forms as directed by Emma Bancroft. Rent money for the coming year had been received from Mr White & Mr Kitching ahead of time. Horses in Allen Garth were making deep ruts with the wet weather. In the next agreement it was decided to return to the ban on horses in December and January.

Wall repair undertaken by YDNP: This work on the beck wall below Brook Street has been done as it was on a public footpath so it will no longer be an expense for the council.

Query about land leading down to beck: This garden now belongs to Mr K. Longthorne and hasn't been Parish Land for a very long time. Cllr Hodge had cut down the tree leaning against the main road bridge but the fallen wall will need repairing by Stuart Naylor. Cllr Hargreaves will speak to him. The fence across the beck above the old bridge has been repaired.

Trees opposite East View: Mr K Longthorne had called in YDNP tree specialist Mr G Garrett to complain about the tree opposite East View cutting out light and stopping it from being let. Mr Garrett spoke to Cllr Joy and told him that the holly tree is to stay but the cherry tree beside it could be removed. The Clerk will fill in the form and ask for the holly preservation to be sent to HPC in writing.

Street lighting: The Clerk had asked for a breakdown in the £5600 estimate for the new electric connection. £3600 was for a trench by the wall side which Cllr Hodge had queried but hadn't had a reply. It was decided to ask Daggets for a quote and Cllr Hodge offered to go to explain the route from behind the school and over the field. He had a plan of the drains. The necessary depth and materials in the trench will also be discussed.

Orchard Lane: Mr & Mrs Taylor had replied and also called on the Clerk. They explained that it is not possible to park on their drive. They said that they'd checked with emergency services and the road was wide enough for a fire engine. They complained about speeding local drivers using the lane. No further action to be taken.

YDNP Forum: Cllr Hargreaves has volunteered to attend in April at Grassington.

Dog fouling in the village: There were notices up but it depended on the goodwill of the owners. It was not known who owned the dog.

Correspondence

A59 closure: Drainage work is being undertaken and remote sensors put into the slope so any movement can be detected. This will take till at least the end of February.

Birthday Beacons: There is no suitable high ground in the village so the Council will not apply to CDC.

Julian Smith & D Hill flood letters: There was no serious flood damage so there was no need to apply for grant aid.

Muriel Hargreaves- Cooptative member on the Ibbotson Trust. Mr Peter Bowdin is the new member and there was no objection. The Clerk will write a reply.

BPS update: The claim was taking longer to process and they are still working on our claim so payment is delayed to February.

YDNP Parish councillor as representative Member: There were no candidates.

YDNP Local Plan: This has moved to the next stage and no further public amendments are now possible.

CDC new code of conduct for Members: This will be applicable to the newly elected Cllrs in May. Cllr Hargreaves stated he was not going to stand for re-election. Mr M Longthorne has shown interest and will be told that the election updates will go on display on the village notice board.

North Yorkshire Police: Money has been allocated for increased police numbers to support vulnerable people, rural communities and road safety.

Defibrillator meeting: Many local residents had attended the training meeting and it was hoped some may become first responders.

RAY survey: It was decided that Cllrs Hodge & Coney would fill in the questionnaire on behalf of the Council regarding the £250 received and used for the Defibrillator installation.

Accounts

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| Bank statement c/a@ 28/01/16 C/A | £220.14 |
| Bank statement s/a@ 28/01/16 D/A | £3610.27 |
| SBS bond | £5000.00 |
| Monies received | |
| Barclays interest July | £0.46 |
| Barclays interest Sept | £0.35. |
| Rural Payments for ESS ½ year | £889.80 |
| Mr White rent High Green | £135.00 |
| Mr Kitching rent Low Green,Low Bank Side Whygill Gap | £665.00 |
| Payments for approval | |
| Stuart Naylor grass cutting and removal of swing bolt | £157.20 |
| Withheld last meeting | |
| Peter Hodge for 5 street lights | £38.52 |
| Hartlington Fencing for tree guards & nails | £65.52 |
| Arthur Stockdale for new Xmas tree lights | £ 35.91 |

Any Other Business:

Cllr Stockdale was concerned at the planning application for behind the pub and that vehicular access would be across a footpath and felt the YDNP should have objected. The Clerk had written after the last meeting so no further action could be taken.

Cllr Coney felt the village website needs re- developing but regretted he had no time. He said it needed more regular updates, such as Neighbourhood Watch and other village news. He knew someone who might help so will contact him and come to the next meeting with an idea of the cost.

Date of next meeting:

The Annual meeting of the Hebden electors will be on March 16th at 7.30pm and followed by the normal Parish Meeting

