

# Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011  
at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

**Present:** Mr K Scott (Chairman), Mr B Robinson (Vice Chairman), Mr G Potter, Mrs M Grant and Mr M Rampling.

**In Attendance:** Mrs L Evely (Clerk).

Also present was Cllr Martin Leather (Harrogate Borough Council) and 2 members of the public.

2011.160. **Apologies for absence** were accepted from Cllr J Savage, Cllr L Paterson, Cllr J Burton

2011.161. **Declarations of Interest.** All Parish Councillors, as Trustees of the Village Hall, declared a personal interest in the Village Hall.

2011.162. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2011 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

2011.163. **Public Participation.**

2011.163.1. Cllr Martin Leather (Harrogate Borough Council) informed members that the Council are looking into changing refuse collection to every fortnight rather than it currently being collected weekly. This will work out to be alternate weeks to the recycling collection. This is designed to encourage more recycling by residents therefore the Council will include more recycling facilities to incorporate plastic bottles and cardboard. This will be taking place in approximately April 2012. Landfill Tax will also be rising to approx. £8 per ton

Boundary Review public hearings have been held and consultation period being held until the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2011. Website for further information is: [www.independent.gov.uk/boundarycommissionforengland](http://www.independent.gov.uk/boundarycommissionforengland)

2011.163.2. Clarification of who is to maintain the garden at the Village Hall arose. This item is to be put on the agenda for the meeting next month whether it should be the Parish Council or the Village Hall.

2011.164. **Progress Reports.**

2011.164.1. Freelanding/Breathing Places project (minute 2011.110.1 refers Cllr Robinson and Cllr Rampling have now cut the grass and strimmed the perimeters. Cllr Robinson/Cllr Rampling are to obtain 2 Scaffolding Brackets for the Bracing Pole.

2011.164.2. Allerton Waste Recovery Park (minute 2011.110.2 refers). Planning application is now validated NY/2011/0328/ENV and in consultation until the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

2011.164.3. High Speed Rural Broadband (minute 2011.110.3 refers). Still on-going work to commence in the near future.

2011.164.4. Church Field Lane sign (minute 2011.110.4 refers). The Clerk is awaiting a response from Harrogate Borough Council if they would be willing to create a new street sign, to be installed on posts as the current sign, and to advise on costs.

2011.164.5. Church Field Lane kerbing (minute 2011.115 refers) A Highway Inspector has been on site to carry out an assessment and contacted the relevant residents.

2011.164.6. Highways issues. The path between the new dropped kerbs on the village green outside the Village Hall requires digging out and a Tarmac effect path approx. 4ft in width to be installed. Cllr Grant kindly offered to supply the top soil and Cllr Potter to organise the path to be installed. Costing approx. £2500 approved by all Cllrs.

Cllr Scott noted that the footpath from the Village Hall to Branton running under the trees is in a poor condition

2011.164.7. Proposed Article 4 Directive, Conservation Area (minute 2011.110.6 refers). Upon the pilot scheme period finishing on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2012. The Parish Council agreed to write a letter to Naiomi

Kempton of Harrogate Borough Council Conservation Department to express the councils view to phase the Article 4 Directive out. This will be put on the agenda in December for discussion and draft a letter.

2011.164.8. Bench on Village Green (minute 2011.113 refers). The installation of the bench is to be installed after the path is completed.

2011.164.9. Bramblings, Branton Lane, Great Ouseburn. (minute 2011.126.3 refers) Highways to inspect regarding the crossing over Highway Land.

2011.165. **Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.** None

2011.166. **Planning applications.**

2011.166.1. Allerton Waste Recovery Park (minute 2011.164.2 refers above). Planning application validated NY/2011/0328/ENV. It was noted from the planning application and the Parish Council wish to object on the following points:

- Commercial Waste will be brought from All over North Yorkshire as well as neighbouring counties to be incinerated. Domestic waste only from North Yorkshire.
- The plume produced from the chimney will be 50m above ground level, whether it is toxic or not it is still not pleasant visibly and physically. This as adjacent to the bridleway. It was observed that the British Horse Society or Ramblers Association have not been consulted on this matter. The parish Council believe it will be detrimental for the Rights of Way in the area and for riders and walkers in the area.
- No reports have been obtained on 'Acid Deposits' and the Parish Council are concerned that Great Ouseburn will get the brunt of the deposits given the radius from the site. No answers have been given to a number of issues for example more information is required regarding the Conservation area at Ouse Gill Beck and the pollution to the Beck which is also home to rare species such as Otters, Water Voles and other rare species of Birds and Plant life. Another example is that no information has been given regarding the range for any noise or odour levels and whether this will affect the village.
- If the scheme proceeds the access to the site needs amending due to more vehicle movement. A filter system may prove necessary. This access point is already a black spot with traffic and locals already tend to avoid this point due to being hazardous.

2011.166.2. See below for further planning application received after publication of the Agenda and prior to the meeting.

2011.166.3. Ste Imoges, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York. Planning Application ref 11/04292/OUT, Outline application for the erection of 1 dwelling with all matters reserved. The parish Council wish to object to the proposal with the concerns of the entrance being directly across from the Primary School Entrance and exacerbating the current situation of the access and parking.

2011.167. **Questions from Councillors:** Mr & Mrs Biggin, Prospect Farm, Main Street. A steel and canvas structure seen from the highway has been noted and the clerk to contact Naomi Kempton of Harrogate Borough Council Conservation Department to see if in accordance with planning.

2011.168. **Statement of accounts for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2011 – 20<sup>th</sup> Nov 2011.** The statement of accounts for the current year was considered and the following payments approved (copy appended to the minutes).

P25/11	Records RSS Ltd (Playground Equip Repairs)	1621.44
P26/11	Websters (grounds maintenance)	182.52
P27/11	Harrogate Council (annual playground inspect)	72.00

2011.169. **Correspondence received.**

2011.169.1. **Queens Diamond Jubilee – Lighting of Beacons.** The Parish Council have expressed their interest in taking part to celebrate this occasion. The clerk is to register their interest with Harrogate Borough Council. The council already have access to a round metal brazier to put the wood into and propose a possible point on Lightmire Lane to place the beacon. To be lit between 10pm and 10.30pm on Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

2011.169.2. **Ouseburn FC Goalposts:** The football club have agreed to kindly donate the goal posts and nets to the parish council on the proviso that the parish council will provide further lighting on the pitch in

the right hand corner. Cllr Scott is meeting with the electrician on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011 and will discuss this proposal and try out a temporary light we currently have in storage with a view to purchasing a LED light costing approx. £350. All councillors approved.

- 2011.169.3.        **The Harrogate District Local Development Framework Sites and Policies Development Plan Document (The DPD).** The clerk is to inform Harrogate Borough Council to change the plan to show the old car park on Carrside has been changed to Affordable Housing and to complete the questionnaire and return.
- 2011.169.4.        **York & North Yorkshire Playing Fields Association** – To carry out an appraisal of its activities and future strategic plans. The clerk to return the appraisal agreeing to all points raised.
- 2011.169.5.        **Community Resilience Speed Training/Emergency Plans Scheme.** No volunteers for the training course on this occasion.
- 2011.169.6.        **Harrogate Borough Council – Grant for Litter Picking for 01/04/12 – 31/03/13** The Parish Council agreed to obtain the grant so the Parish Council will take responsibility for Litter Picking for this period. The clerk to advise Harrogate Borough Council of this decision.
- 2011.169.7.        **Donation from the Youth Forum** (minute 2011.134 refers) the clerk is to obtain prices for play equipment from RSS Play makers.
- 2011.169.8.        **Senior Citizens Dinner at the Crown Pub:** This has been booked for Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup> December at 4.30pm and all invites to be hand delivered.
- 2011.169.9.        Correspondence received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting. (None)
- 2011.170.        **Reports from representatives.**
- 2011.170.1.        **Village Hall Committee.**  
Fund Raising: 17<sup>th</sup> Nov – Day before ‘Children In Need’ Rocks, Screen and Bar Proceeds for Children In Need  
3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – Christmas Party Cabaret Evening and meal £15 per ticket.
- 2011.170.2.        **Police Liaison Group.** See above minute 2011.147.2. Any information received please forward to Cllr Graham Potter
- 2011.170.3.        **Yore Vision.** No further news
- 2011.170.4.        **First Responder Scheme.** No update.
- 2011.171.        **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.** The Parish Budget Precept is to be discussed at the next meeting and to be submitted by the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2012.
- 2011.172.        **Date and Time of next meeting.** It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Council would be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2011 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10 p.m.