

Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 18th June 2014
at 7.30 p.m. in the Jeff Gill Room, Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

Present: Cllr K Scott (Chairman), Cllr M Rampling, Cllr Ian Shaw, Cllr J Burton, Cllr M Grant, Cllr G Potter.

In Attendance: Mrs L Evely (Clerk)

Also present: Cllr C Lewis (Harrogate Borough Council)

2014. 45 **Apologies received for absence:** Cllr B Robinson (Vice Chairman), Cllr J Savage (North Yorkshire County Council), Neil Waite (North Yorkshire Police).
2014. 46 **Declarations of Interest.** All Parish Councillors are Trustees of the Village Hall and declare their personal interests in the Village Hall. Members to indicate whether they will be declaring any other interests under the Code of Conduct.
2014. 47 **Minutes of the previous meeting.** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21st May 2014: The minutes were agreed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.
2014. 48 **Public Participation.** Any member of the public present at the meeting may make representations, answer questions or give evidence in relation to the business to be transacted. Members of the council who have a prejudicial interest in relation to any item of business to be transacted may also speak in relation to that matter. *Please note that the Chairman will control this session and will exercise his discretion as to the amount of time allowed for public participation. No decisions are made at this part of the meeting – this will be done by the Council having heard and noted the representations made: nil*
2014. 49 **Progress Reports.** To receive progress reports as follows:
- 2014.49.1 Free landing/Breathing Places project (minute 2011.110.1 refers): no news.
- 2014.49.2 LDP Affordable Housing Site, Branton (minute 2012.074 refers): Cllr Lewis informed that the Local Plan has been withdrawn and will be judged on a case by case basis.
- 2014.49.3 Allerton Waste Recovery Park (minute 2011.110.2 refers). See minute 2012.149.03: groups attending the area meeting. There is still a great deal of work taking place behind the scenes. A working is being organised to look at Amey Cespa – no contract decision will be made until at least September 2014.
- 2014.49.4 Highways issues: Potholes have been mended on Branton Lane and Boat Lane plus the traffic lights have now been removed.
- 2014.49.5 Tree Management: Light Mire Lane Trees – the trunks are sprouting. It is requested to see if Nigel Roskilly can do the work.
- 2014.49.6 Commuted Sums: see minute 2013.126 Showers and football goal posts at the village hall have been paid.
- 2014.49.7 Fishpond Conservation Area: The lease agreement has been received to sign. The Insurance Company need to be informed about the lease.
- Dave Meakin has kindly topped the land with his tractor.
- On the 1st/2nd July, Cllr Scott, Cllr Rampling, Cllr Potter and Cllr Shaw are going to do some maintenance works.
- The Clerk of Little Ouseburn has shown an interest in 2 of their Parish Councillors to go on the sub-committee when formed.
- 2014.49.8 Allotments: see minute 2014.4 Re: Cllr Lewis e-mail dated 28.05.14 Water is coming down from the houses on Carr side and saturating the ground in the allotments below. It is believed that a

drain was broken when installing a concrete footpath in the garden at Oak Tree Cottage causing the water to drain down through the ground to where the allotments lie below. Also, stones have also been placed in the open drain on the allotment site which is also causing problems. Cllr Rampling suggested that Cllr Robinson knows a person that does drains and he will be able to get an estimate for the work that requires carrying out in the allotments to remedy the problem with the poor drainage.

2014. 50 Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.

To note any decisions received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2014. 51 Planning applications:

2014.51.01 North Yorkshire County Council, NY/2014/0154/73 Consultation on planning application for the purposes of the application for the variation of condition No.2 of Planning Permission Ref. No C6/13/05064/CMA which relates to the removal of a tree on land at Great Ouseburn Community Primary School, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York YO26 9RG:No objections.

2014.51.02 Mr Graham Heatley, Unit 3, Peasholme Court, Stonebow, York, North Yorkshire, YO1 7AD Re: The Forge, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York YO26 9RF 6.80.188.C.DVCON 14/01886/DVCON Delete or Vary Condition – Variation of condition number 2 to allow alterations to approved plans and erection of conservatory of planning permission 6.80.188.C.DVCON: Application retracted 16.06.14 as HBC had to check dimensions and measurements of what has actually been built. Application resubmitted on the 18.06.14: The Parish Council discussed this application and objected due to the following observations:

- The pitch of the roof is too high and is causing concern as the house is located adjacent to the village green and is an important site location with it being a conservation village. It is such a large house intimidating and dominating the houses surrounding it.
- No chimneys present as shown on the original plan which changes the look of the building and not in keeping with the village.
- The Art stone jams are not satisfactory.
- The style of windows does not reflect the requested sash design particularly the lack of horns on the windows which are normally required for the period of the village.
- Additional windows have been added since the original plan particularly on the gables which are not desirable and overlook adjacent properties.
- The property has been built too close to next door and not where agreed on the original plan which causes it to overlook adjacent properties.

To consider any planning applications received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2014. 52 Questions from Councillors. To consider questions from Councillors.

Cllr Robinson queried Green Acres on Moor Lane property has an agricultural Tenancy clause on the property. It is believed this property has been sold privately to someone not agriculture. This is to be reported to Harrogate Borough Council Planning as a breach of an agricultural restriction.

2014. 53 Statement of accounts for the period 1st April 2014 – 31st March 2015. To consider the statement of accounts for the current year and approve payments therein. All present approved as a true and correct record.

P4/14	Aaztec Associates Ltd (GOVH Changing rooms)	£9,762.43

2014.53.01 Cllr Rampling to discuss the estimate for the toughened glass for the repair of the Parish Noticeboard with a view to purchasing with Councillors consent: Cllr Rampling kindly offered to pay for this.

2014.53.02 Cllr Scott to discuss the estimate for the CCTV Camera to monitor the playing field in order to deter dog fouling on the field: It was agreed for Cllr Potter to purchase the signs.

2014.53.03 Spring Festival Cup Engraving – estimate for engraving is £10.50: All present agreed to pay for the engraving.

2014. 54 Harrogate Borough Council: Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places: This survey is to be completed on line by the clerk.

2014. 55 North Yorkshire County Council – Urban Grass Cutting for 2015 letter dated 24th April 2014 (refer to minute 2014.035) – Councillors to discuss future plans for grass cutting services due to the proposed future reductions in funding taking place for this service: This is to be put onto the next agenda for discussion and in the meantime the clerk is to ask for an estimate from HBC/NYCC to do the areas in question: The clerk reported that HBC are not taking on anymore work on and still awaiting a reply from NYCC. It was also suggested to contact Richard Grant to see if he could supply an estimate for future work.

2014. 56 Harrogate Borough Council – Harrogate Borough Council Office Accommodation Consultation: The Councillors to discuss and complete and return the questionnaire by the 4th August 2014: All present completed the questionnaire and the clerk is to post back to Harrogate Borough Council before the deadline. The Councillors also requested in the HBC move if they are to dispose anything with regards to our Parish to return it to us.

Items received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2014. 57 **General Circulation Correspondence received – for information only.** This was noted and passed for circulation by the clerk

- Cllr Savage e-mail 23.05.14 Area Com 29 May - Long Term Waste Service Contract Update report circulated 14.06.14
- CPRE invite to the York & Selby District Branch AGM on Saturday the 21st June 2014 circulated by e-mail on the 14.06.14.
- Wetherby District Lions Club supporting The Great Yorkshire Bike Ride Saturday 21st June 2014 letter dated the 10th June 2014. Hard copy circulated.
- NYCC letter dated 12th June 2014 ref M24TR001.DB re: Cutting of funds towards grass cutting duties.

2014. 58 **Reports from representatives.** To receive reports from the Council's representatives on the following organisations:

2014.058.01 **Village Hall Committee:** Nigel Bew and Carol Evans (Secretary) joined the Committee.

The changing rooms have been refurbished. The painting is to be finished on Sunday. The self-levelling compound was done by Cllr Potter.

The newsletter is going out in the next couple of days.

There is currently a quiz being organised for November.

2014.058.02 **Police Liaison Group:** The police visited the quad bikes which were discussed last month and spoken to.

2014.058.03 **Yore Vision:** New film equipment bought for Coronation Hall.

2014. 59 **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda:** Urban Grass Cutting (minute 2014.35 & 55 refer)

2014. 60 **Date and Time of next meeting.** To confirm that the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 16th July 2014 at 7.30 p.m. in the Jeff Gill Room at the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.35 p.m.