

Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 26th March 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 G Potter, Cllr M Grant

In Attendance: Mrs L Evely (Clerk)

Also present: Cllr Lewis (Harrogate Borough Council)

2013. 166 **Apologies received for absence:** Cllr B Robinson (Vice Chairman), Cllr Savage (North Yorkshire County Council)
2013. 167 **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.
2013. 168 **Minutes of the previous meeting.** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 26th February 2014: The minutes were agreed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.
2013. 169 **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*
2013. 170 **Progress Reports.** To receive progress reports as follows:
- 2013.170.1 Free landing/Breathing Places project (minute 2011.110.1 refers): The pothole at the entrance is still outstanding.
- 2013.170.2 LDP Affordable Housing Site, Branton (minute 2012.074 refers): Gone to the Inspector for Public Enquiry. If someone is interested in developing the site they will come forward at this stage. Cllr Lewis confirmed there are no big issues at present.
- 2013.170.3 Allerton Waste Recovery Park (minute 2011.110.2 refers). See minute 2012.149.03: No current updates.
- 2013.170.4 Highways issues: Barriers are still to be collected from the junction of Boat Lane and Main Street – these have been reported by the clerk. The Clerk has also reported again that Cross Lane is not Vehicle worthy plus that a large pothole has developed at the 1st corner on the Seggans Road to Dunsforth. The clerk is to report the cracked rumble strip at Little Ouseburn end of the village; poor footpaths from Jasmine Cottage to the junction with Light mire Lane together with poor footpaths on Branton Lane including Branton Close.
- Mr Kay has agreed to pay and provide for public use dustbins which can be used for collection of dog waste. These are to be located at Pipers Lane, Church Field Lane at the junction with Burrell's yard and near Fishpond Bridge.
- Cllr Lewis is going to check the dates/schedule with Harrogate Borough Council as to when the public bins within the village get emptied so we can check that these are being done regularly. Cllr Lewis will provide the clerk with a copy of the schedule in due course.
- 2013.170.5 Tree Management: Nigel Roskilly has pruned the damaged trees down Light mire Lane.
- 2013.170.6 Commuted Sums: see minute 2013.126 Cllr Lewis is to chase Rosehill and The Forge commuted Sums. The commuted sum money for the display boards have now paid. Works can

commence for the shower cubicles in the village hall. The Football posts have now been received therefore can now invoice for the commuted sums to be paid.

2013.170.7 Fishpond Conservation Area: All log piles have now been burnt. Cllr Scott has received a further e-mail dated the 25.03.14 and the legal fees previously been discussed have been reduced to £250 as a one off fee. All present agreed to this cost.

2013.170.8 Parish Council noticeboard repair: This is still broken and awaiting repair.

2013. 171 Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council: None

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

2013. 172 Planning applications:

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

2013. 173 Questions from Councillors. To consider questions from Councillors:

Cllr Potter queried how to turn Agricultural Land into garden curtilage – This cannot be just fenced off it has to go through planning. It has been noted that Clematis Cottage on Brown Lane, Branton has done this without planning and needs reporting to the planning department.

Cllr Burton raised the issue again regarding cars illegally parking on the highway outside The Avenue, Branton Lane. The clerk is to let Cllr Lewis know the dates and registrations and she will inform the police to enable to take action.

Cllr Scott asked if Cllr Rampling could check the drainage ditch at the allotments and to put on the next agenda for discussion and approval of a mini digger to carry out the drainage works. To obtain a quote should be around £200.

2013. 174 Statement of accounts for the period 1st April 2013 – 31st March 2014. To consider the statement of accounts for the current year and approve payments therein. All present agreed as a true and correct record.

P25/13	Nigel Roskilly Tree Maintenance	£65.00
P26/13	M Rampling (Playground Catches)	£24.34
P27/13	ICO Data Protection Renewal	£35.00
P28/13	Clerks Salary and Expenses	£1325.53
P29/13	HMRC PAYE/tax for clerk	£263.00

2013.174.1 Review of annual rent for the allotments: Current rates are at £20 per annum per allotment, £15 for Senior Citizens. These rates are to be increased to £20.50 and £15.25.

2013.174.2 Review of annual rent for the Cricket Club: Current rent is £180 per annum. This is to increase to £200 per annum.

2013.174.3 Review of annual rent for the Football Club: Current rent is £180 per annum. This is to increase to £200 per annum.

2013.174.4 Review of annual rent for the Pontoons at the Freelanding: Current rent is £29 per metre. This is to increase to £30 per metre.

2013. 175 North Yorkshire County Council – Minerals and Waste Joint Plan – Issues and options consultation (February – April 2014) – Responses to be submitted by Friday the 11th April 2014 (see minute 2013.160): It was agreed as per the previous submission to request no work is to be carried out on the hillside closest to B6265.

Items received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting:

2013. 176 Harrogate Borough Council/Sanctuary Housing: Reference for Jemma & Lee Fairweather, 3 Burns Cottages, Rudgate, Whixley YO26 8AL: Not aware of these people therefore the Parish Council has no issues.

2013. 177 Harrogate Borough Council/Sanctuary Housing: Reference for Katy O'Hare, 24 Vyner Street, Ripon, HG4 1QJ: Not aware of these people therefore the Parish Council have no issues.

2013. 178 **General Circulation Correspondence received.** This was noted and passed for circulation by the clerk

2013. 179 **Reports from representatives.** To receive reports from the Council's representatives on the following organisations:

2013.179.01 **Village Hall Committee:** Quiz raised a reasonable amount of money.

The shower cubicle works commence on Monday and will take approx. 2 weeks.

The new cleaner has started work.

2013.179.02 **Police Liaison Group:** There is very little rural crime at present this may be due to more patrol cars in the area. It has been reported that sheds are being broken into in the Harrogate area and to be aware.

2013.179.03 **Yore Vision:** There will be a shorter version of the Bronte Trail taking place on Good Friday finishing at the pub. Dogs on leads are welcome.

2013. 180 **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda:** BACS e-mail. To agree AGM meeting to take place in May. Allotments drainage ditch quotation for hire of mini digger. Highways Vehicle Crossing Form.

2013. 181 **Date and Time of next meeting.** To confirm that the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 16th April 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 8.35 p.m.