

# Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at 7.30 p.m. in the Club Room, Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

**Present:** Mr K Scott (Chairman), Mrs J Burton and Mr M Rampling.

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

Also present was Cllr C Lewis (Harrogate Borough Council) and one members of the public.

2012.050 **Apologies for absence** were accepted from Cllr B Robinson (Vice Chair), Cllr G Potter, Cllr M Grant and Cllr C Smales and County Cllr John Savage.

2012.051 **Declarations of Interest.** All Parish Councillors, as Trustees of the Village Hall, declared a personal interest in the Village Hall.

2012.052 **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2012 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

2012.053 **Public Participation.**

Cllr Lewis raised the G.O. Development site and wishes to object to the site under the current proposal and express an alternative smaller site for proposal. It would be beneficial to improve the proposed edge of the site with a form of screening to the existing houses and cordon both housing estates.

The Parish Council would also support an alternative smaller site using the existing entrance and would also like to see an emphasis on the category of 2 bed accommodation as the estate is currently lacking this criteria. All agreed to Cllr Lewis Proposal.

Cllr Scott asked Cllr Lewis on the situation about providing further waste bins on Pipers Lane, Church Lane and Light Mire Lane. The council are not in a position to provide them currently as they do not have the resources to empty the bins. The clerk is to ask the council if they are willing to provide the bins free of charge if the parish council can find volunteers to empty the bins and put out for collection on the normal bin route.

Mrs White raised that the previous invoice submitted by William White was to be paid by the Parish Council not the Village Hall. The Parish Council agreed at this meeting that it will pay it on this occasion however any future invoices for the flower beds at the Village Hall will be paid directly by the Village Hall under maintenance.

2012.054 **Progress Reports.**

2012.54.1. Freelanding/Breathing Places project (minute 2011.110.1 refers) the agreement has been signed by Aldwark Manor Hotel and passed onto the Fishermen and still awaiting them to sign the agreement. The clerk is to contact their solicitor and chase further.

2012.54.2. Allerton Waste Recovery Park (minute 2011.110.2 refers). Planning application NY/2011/0328/ENV. A further 2 folders were received for further information for the restricted area where money can be spent owned by NYCC or Allerton Park: Cllr Scott believes it should have public access – plant the trees next to the quarry in the large field. No response has been received from Amey Cespa to date with responses to our previous objection letter or to the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. The A59 junction problem is still unanswered. The clerk is to request an extension from Sharon Robson as currently the deadline is the 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2012.

2012.54.3. Highways issues.

The clerk is to request grass/verge cutting on the bends of Broadgate Corner.

Cllr Scott also requested for the clerk to speak to Little Ouseburn Parish Council at their next meeting to see if they could discuss jointly improving the area near the bridge to remove some Willow Trees and thin the pond area to provide a better view for vehicles using the bridge and to restore the view to the Church.

2012.54.4. Proposed Article 4 Directive, Conservation Area (minute 2011.110.6 refers). No further news

2012.54.5. Tree Management: Nick Wilson has done some hand pruning with a saw to Light Mire Lane and Church Lane.

2012.54.6. Rose Garden, The Bungalows, Branton: Cllr Rampling kindly offered to weed the Rose Garden.

2012.055 **Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council. None**

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

2012.056 **Planning applications.**

Mrs R Kay, Church Hill, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York YO26 9RQ Planning No: 6.80.125.V.LB 12/02120/LB Listed building application for installation/repair of 8 windows and 1 door: No objections

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

2012.057 **Questions from Councillors: None**

2012.058 **Statement of accounts for the period 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012 – 18<sup>th</sup> July 2012** The statement of accounts for the current year was considered and the following payments approved (copy appended to the minutes).

P13/12	YLCA Training Cllr Smales	35.00
P14/12	Harrogate Borough Council Grass Cutting	325.30

**Correspondence received.**

2012.059 Village Hall – Carbon Neutral: Proposal of grant application for Solar Electric panels to the Light Mire Lane Side of the Village Hall. Possibly hot water panels installed to feed the showers. Also looking at the possibility of having the heating changed to Biomass using wood pellets together with the use of a small wind turbine although is to be decided at a later stage. All would require the necessary planning and parish council permissions. There would also be changes to the water scheme which would help stop some of the flash flooding plus LED lighting for the entire cricket club.

2012.060 Highfields Cherry Tree, Main Street: no reply to date

2012.061 Energy Survey: see above Village Hall item minute 2012.059.

2012.062 **Correspondence received.** To consider correspondence received, as follows

2012.062.01 Audit Commission Consultation on appointment of external auditor for 2012/13 and future years: no objections

2012.062.02 Mazars Audit Annual Return: all agreed

2012.062.03 Harrogate Borough Council – Commuted Sums Policy Training 1<sup>st</sup> August 2012: The clerk, Cllr Scott and Cllr Rampling to attend.

2012.062.04 Harrogate Borough Council – Annual Inspection of Children’s Play Areas: All present agreed and to the cost of the inspection.

2012.062.05 YLCA: Joint Annual Meeting 21 July 2012 2pm Poppleton Community Centre: no interest expressed on this occasion.

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

2012.062.06 Harrogate Railway U19: All agreed under the same terms as previous contract.

2012.063 **Reports from representatives.** To receive reports from the Council’s representatives on the following organisations:

2012.63.1. **Village Hall Committee** see above minute 2012.059

2012.63.2. **Police Liaison Group:** no further news

2012.63.3. **Yore Vision:** September meeting on Partnership working – where parishes come together as a group for issues such as transport etc. The Government Community Scheme details will be available nearer the time.

2012.63.4. **First Responder Scheme:** Cllr Potter is now active and there is also a possibility of a new volunteer.

2012.064        **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda:** Seat at Boat Lane Junction – grass cutting quote required.

2012.065        **Date and Time of next meeting.** To confirm that the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2012.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.43 p.m.