

# GREAT OUSEBURN PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2006 at 7.30 p.m.  
in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

**Present:** Mr K Scott (Chairman), Mr B Robinson, Mr M Rampling and Mr L Paterson.

**In Attendance:** Mrs Z Hopps.

Also present were Cllr Chris Lewis (HBC) and 8 members of the public.

2006.116 **Apologies for absence** were received from Cllr R Kay and Cllr R Girdham.

2006.117 **Declarations of Interest.**

2006.117.1 All Parish Councillors, as Trustees of the Village Hall, declared a personal interest in the Village Hall.

2006.118 **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2006 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record, subject to minute 2006.101.1 being amended to read "...*part of the land already floods for much of the year*"

2006.119 **Progress Reports.**

2006.119.1 Basketball court (minute 2006.98.2 refers). Pending planning permission.

2006.119.2 Adoption of Moor Lane (minute 2006.98.1 refers). The Clerk advised that North Yorkshire County Council have indicated that they will give their response within the next week.

2006.119.3 New Bus Shelter (minute 2006.103 refers). The Clerk advised that progress had been slow, as she had been dealing with other matters. Two letters had been received about the proposal – the first was from Miss Raspin enclosing a cheque for £1,000 towards the cost, in memory of her late father Mr K W Raspin. She also mentioned that if any monies were left over, it could go towards the cost of a seat in Main Street. It was agreed that the Parish Council should thank Miss Raspin for this very generous donation, and her suggestions were noted.

The other letter was from a local resident who had concerns over possible vandalism, and who stated that the structure would not be an enhancement. It was agreed that the Clerk should reply, pointing out that the need was well established from the Parish Plan results, the children's petition and requests from older residents. The design would be open so that people could not hide in it and abuse it. As the seat is already there, it is a natural point where people congregate.

It was agreed that designs should be brought to the next Parish Council meeting.

2006.119.4 Guest Speakers (minute 2006.106 refers). The Clerk advised members that she had arranged for the local Neighbourhood Police Officer to attend the next meeting. However, at this point, officers Andy Chapman and Jeff Brocker from the Neighbourhood Policing team arrived.

*After an adjournment at this point for a short talk from the police officers on local crime and crime prevention, and a question and answer session, the meeting resumed.*

2006.119.5 Extension of footpath from Low Moor Lane, Dunsforth (minute 2006.108 refers). The Chairman advised members that he would be organising a meeting with interested parties in the near future.

2006.120 **Planning applications dealt with between meetings.** It was noted that the following application had been considered under the provisions of Council Standing Order No 32(c):

2006.120.1 Playing Field, Village Hall, Great Ouseburn. Formation of extension to basketball court. As this is the Parish Council's own application, the Parish Council supported it!

2006.121 **Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.** The following decisions had notified by the Borough Council:

2006.121.1 Lyndlea, Branton Lane, Great Ouseburn. Retention of two storey front and side extension with increased roof height etc. Appeal made to Secretary of State.

2006.121.2 Land comprising OS field nos 0050 & 0029 Church Field Lane, Great Ouseburn. Erection of detached agricultural building and resurfacing of access track. Refused.

- 2006.121.3 Dent House, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. Felling of one birch tree T3 of TPO 55/2004. Granted subject to conditions.
- 2006.121.4 6 Springfield Rise, Great Ouseburn. Notification of a planning enforcement case.
- 2006.121.5 Wayside, Carrside Road, Great Ouseburn. Erection of single storey side and rear extension with additional living accommodation etc (revised scheme). Granted subject to conditions.
- 2006.122 Planning applications.**
- 2006.122.1 Low Farm, Grassgills, Great Ouseburn. Erection of an all weather riding arena. No objections.
- 2006.122.2 5 Branton Close, Great Ouseburn. Relocation of oil tank. The Parish Council's preference was for the second option, siting the tank nearer to the front of the property, but it was also agreed that enquiries should be made about the possibility of putting piping under the flooring of the garage, through to the existing tank at the rear.
- 2006.123 Wayside, Carrside Road.** It was noted that planning permission has been granted for work on this property and it was resolved to appoint an independent surveyor to make a valuation under the terms in the Transfer Deed dated 14<sup>th</sup> July 2000. The Clerk to confirm with the property owner that all charges to be paid by him.
- 2006.124 Accent Housing Development at Carrside Road.** It was noted that members of the Parish Council had met the architect at the site earlier in the evening, and it was agreed that parking was still an issue at the site. The revised plans had been received, and it was resolved that a request should be made that members of the Planning Committee make a site visit before they consider the matter.
- 2006.125 The Crown Inn.** The Clerk advised members that she had spoken with Criterion Asset Management, the property management company that owns the lease. They confirmed that Yorkshire Taverns Ltd (the lessee) was no longer at The Crown, and that Criterion was contacting the directors to ascertain what they were planning to do. It seemed to be a little uncertain at present, but she had been assured that the Parish Council would be kept informed about any future developments.
- 2006.126 New Playing Field.** It was agreed that the Clerk should get in touch with the owner of the land off Carrside, to begin preliminary discussions about a possible site.
- 2006.127 Proposed improvements to bus stops/shelters.** The plans notified by North Yorkshire County Council were noted and apart from one mapping error it was agreed that no response was required.
- 2006.128 Condition of Roads.** It was noted that the Highways Authority has now marked up many areas of footpath and roadway. The Clerk to remind them of outstanding issues – the dropped kerb onto Pipers Lane at Branton, the moving of the speed limit sign on Carrside and the repairs to the roadway at Branton, for which a closure notice had been issued in March. The Clerk to make enquiries about the planned improvements to the B6265 junction, which have never been carried out.
- 2006.129 Refuse Collection.** It was noted that litterbins are still not being emptied every week – Cllr Chris Lewis offered to contact the relevant department at Harrogate.
- 2006.130 Statement of accounts for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006 – 18<sup>th</sup> July 2006.** The report of the internal auditor was noted and his recommendation that Officials Indemnity and Libel and Slander cover be taken out was approved. The statement of accounts for the current year and the following payments were approved (copy appended to the minutes):
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| P10/06 | HBC - grasscutting    | £ 457.89 |
| P11/06 | James Mackman (audit) | £ 80.00  |
- 2006.131 Correspondence received.**
- 2006.131.1 North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service – Annual Performance Plan and Action Plan. To be circulated.
- 2006.131.2 YRCC – Pro Help. To be forwarded to the Village Hall Committee.
- 2006.131.3 NYCC Highways – Traffic Calming. It was agreed that the Parish Council would request that the funding should be switched towards the cost of a second VAS, which would entail bidding again this year for the extra funding.

2006.131.4 HNB – Gambling Act 2005 consultation. Noted that this runs to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2006, and further details are available on Harrogate Borough Council's website.

2006.131.5 Mr J C Clark – copy letter to Harrogate Borough Council regarding tarmac being placed on an access track on land off Church Field Lane. It was noted that the Planning Enforcement Officer would look at this matter.

2006.131.6 Cllr Lewis – email regarding occupancy restrictions on the older people's bungalows. Cllr Lewis advised members that this proposal will be going out to consultation with Parish Councils.

**2006.132 Reports from representatives.**

2006.132.1 **Village Hall Committee.** The decision has now been taken to extend the Village Hall to provide pavilion space for the cricket club – this would include extending the upper floor to create a viewing balcony. The cricket club will be contributing towards the cost of this work. The televising of the World Cup raised just over £500.

2006.132.2 **Youth Forum.** Now closed for the summer break.

2006.132.3 **Police Liaison Group.** No report.

**2006.133 Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.**

2006.133.1 Setting up a sub-committee/working party for the Village Design Statement – Cllr Paterson to report on this. The Clerk to advise on the correct procedures for including this in the Local Development Framework and supplementary planning guidance.

2006.133.2 Trees on Branton Avenue.

2006.134 **Date and Time of next meeting.** It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Council would be held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2006 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.10 p.m.