

# Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017  
at 7.30 p.m. in the Jeff Gill Room, Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

**Present:** Cllr K Scott (Chairman), Cllr B Robinson (Vice Chairman) and Cllr D Jorgensen.

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

Also present: Cllr A Paraskos (Harrogate Borough Council), PC Jan Powell (North Yorkshire Police) and 3 members of the public.

2016. 151 **To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence:** Cllr R Kay, Cllr S Wilkinson, Cllr D Meakin and Cllr A Teague (Harrogate Borough Council).

2016. 152 **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.

2016. 153 **Minutes of the previous meeting.** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017: Approved by all present. The minutes were signed and dated by the Chairman.

2016. 154 **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.*

A member of the public reported that teenagers have been seen vandalising the village hall. They have stolen the First Aid kit and set it on fire together with stealing plates, drinks and throwing glass bottles at cars. The incidents have been reported previously but when reporting the member of public was told no action could be taken due to it being a community building. The Chairman said they are accessing the building due to users forgetting to lock the building after use. The police representative said a letter needs to be sent to village hall users reminding them to lock up.

PC Jan Powell reported there have been 4 incidents since the last meeting of which there was a missing child – now returned home and a suspicious death which is being investigated.

A member of the public reported the quads are back on the field near Branton Court. Cllr Robinson will have another word.

2016.154 a) Councillors to discuss about Co-opt Electees: Ms Gabby Bush wishes to stand for the vacant post of Parish Councillor: All present agreed to co-opt on to the Parish Council.

2016. 155 **Progress Reports.** To receive progress reports as follows:

2016.155.1 LDP Affordable Housing Site, Branton (minute 2012.074 refers): no news

2016.155.2 The Free Landing: To discuss the pontoon rents for the year commencing 2017/18: The current price is £30 per metre. All present agreed to raise the rent to £31 per metre.

2016.155.3 Highways issues: The clerk was requested to write to highways to report the Tinkers Hollow development as Witheran's Lane has been churned up and mud deposited all on Church Field Lane leaving it in an unacceptable state. The clerk is to also report to the planning department a possible breach of planning. It has been reported that the original barn has been completely demolished whereas the support structure should have remained.

Potholes on Carr Side Road and Main Street near the Fishpond Bridge to be reported.

- 2016.155.4 Tree Management: Nigel Roskilly has reduced the tree canopy on the trees by the swings in the play area.
- 2016.155.5 Commuted Sums: The clerk is to ask Sean Wright if Forge House have paid.
- 2016.155.6 Fishpond conservation area: see minute 2016.155.11
- 2016.155.7 Allotments: To discuss the rents for the year commencing 2017/18: The rent will be if over 65 yrs. £25 per year. If under 65yrs £20 per year.
- 2016.155.8 Children's Play Area: a) to discuss the Dog Warden HBC, Dog Fouling Order/Dogs on a lead on the playing field: No news from Cllr Teague – need to look into Harrogate Borough Council dog signs which have dog eyes on saying 'you are being watched!'.  
b) To discuss the update on the Play Area Annual Inspection Report maintenance works: Nigel Roskilly has removed all algae. Cllr Robinson is to ask if he can also spray the moss.  
It was reported that Kate Taylor from the Primary School would like to raise money for the playground – Cllr Bush is going to find out more.  
The clerk is to organise a free consultation with a playground manufacturer/supplier to give the PC an idea of how much the scheme is going to cost and then to look into possible grants.
- 2016.155.9 Allerton Waste Recovery Park: no news.
- 2016.155.10 The Crown Inn: re-advertised for letting.
- 2016.155.11 Two Ridings Community Foundation Grant: The Chairman has signed and submitted the grant design and producing scheme application form. Now awaiting their decision.
- 2016.155.12 Possible development of land to houses and new Public House at Branton Green: Building works possibly commencing the end of March 2016.
- 2016.155.13 The Pensions Regulator: Letter to be passed to Rachel to deal with.

**2016. 156 Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.**

2016.156.1 Mr Andrew Graham Heatley, The Forge, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York YO26 9RF APP/E2734/C/16/3154241 16/00057/NENFNO Appeal against a breach of planning conditions: The appeal was dismissed but the notice was varied. You can view the appeal decision online by going to [www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs](http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs).

To note any decisions received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting:

2016.156.2 Mr M Gath, Rosecroft, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York, North Yorkshire YO26 9RG 6.80.88.A.FUL 16/00072/NREFPP Appeal ref: APP/E2734/W/16/3158193: The appeal was dismissed

**2016. 157 Planning applications**

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

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

2016. 0158 **Questions from Councillors.** To consider questions from Councillors: nil

2016. 0159 **Statement of accounts for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.** To consider the statement of accounts for the current year and approve payments therein: All approved as a true and accurate record.

P28/16	L Evely (Clerks Salary)	£649.93
P29/16	L Evely (Expenses 30.09.16-29.12.16)	£82.29

Current account balance @ 14.02.17: 12,167.51  
Deposit account balance @ 31.01.17: 1,411.34

Reserves account balance 14.02.17:	2,095.52
Less unrepresented cheques/transfer:	732.22
Add unbanked receipts/transfers:	0.00
Total:	14,942.15

2016.159.01 Cllr Dave Meakin fuel receipts for grass cutting works on the playing field £27.44: approved to pay

2016.159.02 To discuss the rent of the playing field for the cricket club: The rent is to increase to £250 per year.

2016.159.03 Edward Pearson to cut the playing field hedges £60: approved to pay

2016.159.04 Edward Pearson – gang mower servicing £450: approved to pay

2016.159.05 Get Mapping/Parish On line annual subscription renewal for 2017/18 £33.60 inc vat: approved to pay

2016.159.06 Information Commissioners Office – Data Protection Annual Renewal £35: approved to pay

2016.159.07 Nigel Roskilly Play area strimming estimate £40 approx: approved to pay

2016.159.08 Grass Cutter/Grass Cutting Rota – to go on the next agenda for discussion.

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

2016. 0160 NYCC – Countryside Access Service – Public Consultation. Deadline for response 19.03.17: The Chairman is to complete the consultation and submit.

2016. 0161 Newcomers Event – 11<sup>th</sup> June 2017 2-4pm: GOPC to donate £250 when requested to do so.

2016. 0162 Harrogate Borough Council – Tour de Yorkshire Small grants: no interest.

2016. 0163 Rural Action Yorkshire letter dated 16.02.17: not wanting to vote on this occasion.

2016. 0164 James Rose e-mail dated 19.02.17 regarding Bird Scarer's: This item was discussed and is not under the jurisdiction of the Parish Council but an environment matter. The Police commented that being in a rural location such as this is part and parcel of the environment and cannot control this matter.

2016. 0165 NYCC – Boat Lane Gravel Path: to discuss on the next agenda. The clerk will request to see if a site meeting with a highway inspector can take place.

2016. 0166 **General Circulation Correspondence received – for information only.** This was noted and passed for circulation by the clerk

2016. 0167 **Reports from representatives.** To receive reports from the Council's representatives on the following organisations:

2016.167.01 **Village Hall Committee:** see public participation minute 2016.154

2016.167.02 **Police Liaison Group:** see public participation minute 2016.154

2016.167.03 **Yore Vision:** no news

2016. 0168 **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda:** Boat Lane Path, Grass Cutting Rota.

2016. 0169 **Date and Time of next meeting.** To confirm that the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 at 7.30 p.m. in the Jeff Gill Room at the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

With there being no further business the meeting closed at 9.50pm