

GREAT OUSEBURN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th May 2005 at 8.00 p.m.
in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

Present: Mr K Scott (Chairman), Mr M Rampling, Mr B Robinson, Mr P Thompson,
Mrs R Kay and Mrs R Girdham.

In Attendance: Mrs Z Hopps.

Also present were 10 members of the public.

1. **Apologies for absence.** No apologies for absence were received.
2. **A Declaration of Prejudicial Interest** under the Code of Conduct was received from Cllr B Robinson with regard to the Walnut Farm planning application.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 20th April 2005 having previously been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
4. **Progress Reports.**
 - 4.1. Youth Forum/Cricket – Tuesday night fixtures (minute 4.6/4/05 refers). Cllr Rampling reported that following a meeting of both groups concerned, a temporary agreement had been reached over the matter. Both groups have agreed to move some of their Tuesday night bookings, although the nights of 14th June, 5th July and 19th July were still to be settled. The matter to be reviewed again in January 2006, before the Cricket League fixtures are set, in order that the problem does not reoccur. Cllr Rampling thanked both groups for their efforts in reaching this compromise.
 - 4.2. Dog Fouling (minute 7/4/05 refers). The Clerk reported that current dog fouling regulations require the act to be witnessed. It was agreed that further investigations into the possibilities should be made. The Clerk to report to the next meeting.
 - 4.3. Bus Shelter (minute 8/4/05 refers). The Clerk advised that North Yorkshire had confirmed that a budget exists to fund bus shelters, and that they would require details of passenger usage etc. The Chairman confirmed that this information had been included in the Parish Plan, and it was agreed that a formal request should be made to North Yorkshire for a shelter.
 - 4.4. Fencing at Great Ouseburn Village Hall (minute 4.5/4/05 refers). Cllr Kay informed members that because of the time that had elapsed since they first quoted, the price from the contractors had gone up by £225. The Clerk to contact Harrogate Borough Council to confirm that the extra money can come out of commuted sums.
5. **Planning applications.**
 - 5.1. Erection of replacement detached garage/stable block, Avenue House, Branton Lane, Great Ouseburn. No objections.
At this point Cllr Robinson left the meeting.
 - 5.2. Erection of detached replacement barn and double garage and formation of new vehicular access, Walnut Farm, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. The Parish Council decided on option C, with the following comments:
The gated entrance off Main Street to be set well back to allow for a tractor/trailer to pull off the road before the gate.
The timber used on the barn should be cell-cured tanalised timber, which it was felt would more easily blend into the background as it aged in appearance.
The neighbours, Mr and Mrs Trapnell, and Mr and Mrs Scatchard, should be consulted about the colour of the roof.
Cllr Robinson rejoined the meeting.
6. **Village Web Site** – data storage facilities (minute 12/4/05 refers). It was agreed to use the current provider at a cost of £60 p.a, and to renew the domain name for a further 2 years at a cost of £10.
7. **Request for a Basketball Court.** It was agreed to include this item in the next agenda.

8. **Flooding/drainage problems.** It was agreed that Yorkshire Water should be contacted again regarding the Well Lane/Carrside Road area. Cllr Robinson to provide contact details for the owner of the ditch in the field beyond that is blocked. The Seggans Road/Lightmire Lane junction gets blocked with debris washed down Lightmire Lane and also with grass cuttings. The Clerk to contact NYCC regarding the verges/drains.
9. **Parking in the vicinity of the school.** The Clerk advised members that the Road Safety Officer will be contacting the school to arrange a visit. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the school to ask them to write to parents, requesting that they are a little more considerate when parking.
10. **Statement of accounts for the period 1st April – 4th May 2005.** . The statement of accounts for the current year and payments therein was approved (copy appended to the minutes).
11. **Correspondence received.**
 - 11.1. Harrogate Borough Council – RAF Linton on Ouse. It was noted that the confirmed flight pattern now being flown is Option F.
 - 11.2. Fitzgerald-Harts – Land off Lightmire Lane. The solicitors have confirmed that instructions have been received to sell the field, which will be managed by Thomlinsons Auctioneers. No date has yet been set.
12. **Reports from representatives.**
 - 12.1. **Village Hall Committee.** Cllr Thompson reported that the Committee is considering the adoption of the car park. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Harrogate Planning requesting 10 copies of the Village Hall plan. Correspondence with NYCC concerning the ownership of the verges to be copied to the Village Hall Committee.
 - 12.2. **Youth Forum.** Continues successfully.
 - 12.3. **Police Liaison Group.** The Clerk reported that at a meeting on 14th March CI Richard Spedding, the District Commander for the Harrogate District, gave a brief talk. The Boroughbridge Police Station now has 5 Constables and 1 Community Beat Officer, and there are now 4 Special Constables in Boroughbridge. Crime levels are down on last year.
 - 12.4. **Neighbourhood Watch.** No report.
13. **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda:**
 - 13.1. Lower Nidd Community Bus Scheme.
 - 13.2. Registration of new area of Village Green.
 - 13.3. Riverside walk.
 - 13.4. Adoption of Moor Lane.
 - 13.5. Roundabout.
 - 13.6. Land purchase off Lightmire Lane.
14. **Date and Time of next meeting.** It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Council would be held on Wednesday 15th June at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.20 p.m.