

Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

Minutes of meeting – 17th January 2019 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mrs Booth, Mr Tubby, Mr Mitton, Cllr Wilkinson and 14 residents.

Issues raised in the 10 minute session:

Leonard Smelt Charity- Representatives from the Trust explained how the trust had been formed and its purpose. For many years the church had administered the funds and this had passed to the Parish Council in recent times. Trustees operate the running of the Trust and, historically, the local vicar had been one. As the Parish currently lacks a vicar a vacancy has been created and the Parish Council was asked to consider suggesting suitable candidates for this position. Councillors agreed to place this item on the February agenda and give it some thought in the meantime.

1. Apologies: Cllr Phillips, Mrs Herbert and Mr Dick

2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 15th November 2018 were accepted and signed. This was proposed by Cllr Tubby and seconded by Cllr Mitton.

3. Matters for Report

There were no matters for report.

4. Burial Ground

The number of molehills is increasing. Mr Barker will deal with the problem, hopefully this week.
The contractor has supplied the dimensions required for vehicle clearance of the proposed Lych Gates.

St Mary's Church – The clerk was asked to write to Mr Stevenson thanking him for his help with the grass.

St Andrew's Church – Notice of closure has been received.

5. Correspondence

HDC – Parish Precepts, Band D figure for 2019 (0101/19); YLCA – NALC 2018/19 National Salary Award (0201/19); YLCA Hambleton Branch Meeting, Wednesday 20th February at Easingwold (0301/19); HDC – Parish Council Elections, These will be held in May, Nomination papers will be available between 20th March and 3rd April. The cost for a non - contested election will be £100, if it is contested between £500 and £6,000 (0501/19).

Also circulated: 'Clerks and Councils Direct' January 2019 Issue 121 (0401/19).

6. Finance

a) It was resolved to pay the following and cheques were signed accordingly:

- C.A. Mitton for wages for December and January (chq 240).
- L. Rough £13.20, reimbursement for coffee pods for the Community Hub (chq 241).
- Mrs M. Wilson £136.41 website costs (chq 242).
- W. K. Stubbs and Sons £36 for hedgetrimming at St Andrew's Church (chq 243)

Provision of a Notice Board for the Community Hub

Councillors resolved to pay for the provision of a noticeboard at a cost of approximately £30. This was proposed by Cllr Booth and seconded by Cllr Mitton.

Income: There was no income in the period.

7. Planning

a) Applications

18/01603/REM: Proposal: Application for approval of all Reserved Matters as amended by plans received by HDC on 27th November 2018

Location: Land to the South West of Prospect House Great Fencote North Yorks

Applicant: Mr Tim Brierley

Councillors had resolved that this application be refused in its present form. Following a site visit and representations at the Planning Committee meeting a decision has been deferred.

18/02609/OUT: Proposal: Outline application for the demolition of existing house (Hibray) and construction of 5 bungalows

Location: Hibray Lumley Lane Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks

Applicant: Harland Builders

Councillors agreed unanimously to recommend refusal for the following reasons:

Whilst there could be a need for a small bungalow development this site is over developed, the access and egress is a major concern and therefore material conditions of highway safety, and layout and density of building are reasons for refusal.

And **18/02611/FUL: Proposal:** Change of use of domestic land to children's play area

Location: Hibray Lumley Lane Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks

Applicant: Mr George Harland

The application for change of use of the field to a play area although, in itself, it is a kind offer, it is in the wrong position for a play area for village children, totally out of sight from the village. Presumably for planning purposes such a change of use has to be sustainable. Who will be responsible for the future maintenance, financing and insuring of the area? Therefore refusal on grounds of sustainability, concern as to the public access and maintenance access and safeguarding of village children was unanimously agreed by councillors.

b) Outcomes

18/02297/FUL: Proposal: Construction of side extension to form single storey garage.

Location: Lime View The Green Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks

Applicant: Mr & Mrs N & L Rough

18/02104/FUL: Proposal: Alterations, re-roofing and extension to rear flat roof extension and installation of 2no flat roof lights

Location: 7 St Mary's Terrace Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Kerin

These applications were both granted.

8. Minerals and Waste – Killerby Quarry Extension

An update of the current progress was received and posted on the website.

9. General Data Protection Regulation and Emergency Plan

This is progressing.

10. Village Amenities - update

Councillors thanked members of the community who had taken on the role of steering a successful experimental Community Hub during December. It was confirmed that the Hub will now run on Mondays (14.30 – 16.30) and Wednesdays (10.30 – 13.00). The meeting was also informed that the mobile Post Office would be visiting every Wednesday morning (11.15 – 12.15) coinciding with the Hub opening times. Hub Representatives are attending a meeting with Community First Yorkshire in the near future.

11. Glade Trust Lottery Grant

A representative from the Trust attended to explain the purpose of the application and to ask for Parish Council support. The Trust was set up for the protection of the land and to improve the sustainability of the wildlife dependent upon it. To date work has been carried out to improve the environment in the meadow and orchard and some restoration of the greenhouse has been done but the woodland has not been touched due to lack of funds. The funding application is to help with work to improve the woodland and restore the hides so that it can be opened up for birdwatching and other activities. The village school has been approached and is supportive of the project. Cllr Booth asked if the public right of way, which has been obstructed, could be reinstated through the orchard. The representative agreed to take this up with the Trustees and Cllr Wilkinson would approach the County Council for advice on reinstatement. Councillors agreed that the Trust should be supported in their grant application.

12. Hedge Trimming

Concern had been expressed that in some areas hedges were making it difficult for road users and pedestrians as they were obscuring vision on corners. Cllr Dick agreed to speak to the landowners concerned. The matter is in hand.

13. Wedding Marquee

A request had been received for use of the Green in Kirkby Fleetham for a wedding marquee during the summer. Councillors agreed that this could go ahead provided certain conditions were met and that there was no objection from the owner. The clerk was asked to write and notify him.

14. Any Other Business

- a) Cllrs agreed that the new road markings approaching the roundabouts on the Bedale Bypass were a vast improvement.
- b) Cllr Tubby expressed concern about the difficult turn from the A6055 southbound into Low Street. Cllr Wilkinson to investigate with Highways Dept.
- c) Concern was expressed about the state of the road edge along The Green, Kirkby Fleetham. As there is no footpath, walkers find it very uneven. The clerk to report this via the portal.
- d) There are still a number of signposts which have not been replaced. Cllr Wilkinson to look into this.

Meeting closed: 8.50pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 21st February 2019 beginning at 7.30pm.