

Sowerby Parish Council

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting 8th June 2017

Present: Cllr. M. Robson, Cllr. P. Bardon, Cllr. D. Gray, Cllr. E. Storm, Cllr. G. Foxton and Cllr. G. France. .

Also present were 6 members of the public and the Clerk, Alexandra Little.

1. **Members of the Public -**

A member of the public raised issues with road signs on Blakey Lane as these keep being moved about. The Clerk will request that Highways Area 2 review this

A representative of Thirsk Tourist Information Centre attended the meeting to show the council a new leaflet promoting the area. They are looking to raise funds from local organisations and requested a donation from Sowerby Parish Council. The question was asked as to whether or not local businesses mentioned in the leaflet are being asked to donate and council was advised that these businesses are being approached.

This item will be put on the agenda for the next meeting

A parishioner raised issues with the speed of the grass has been cut and the fact that it is flying onto the cars. This will be mentioned to the grass cutting contractor.

Also trees have overhanging branches, the Clerk will arrange an inspection with tree surgeon.

2. **Apologies for absence** from Cllr. P. Beadle, Cllr S. Hoyland, Cllr. P. Chapman and Cllr. A. Turner. Also County Councillor R. Baker.

3. **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council** held on Thursday 11th May 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman, subject to the addition of a line to state that minutes were not documented for April 2017 as the Parish Council was not quorate and a formal meeting did not take place.

4. **NY Police Incident Report:** No representative of NYP was present and no matters were raised.

5. **Report from County Councillor Baker:** No county council report was presented and the only issues were as mentioned above.

6. **Reports from District Councillors:**

Rubbish was dumped on Tip Lane which was reported to Cllr Robson and was cleared up by Hambleton District Council within 24 hours.

Annual meeting of Hambleton District Council took place and there was a restructure of the cabinet and committee chairmen.

Parish Liaison Meeting was successful, some feedback was given about contamination of recycling. A link will be put on the parish council website to give more information to residents.

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7. To discuss matters arising:

Standing water on the new footpath will be resolved by the contractor.

Spraying of weeds will take place at Town End and the Memorial Park.

Additional grasscutting will be undertaken at Blakey Lane and Gravel Hole Lane for safety.

The gravel on the path by The Limes has been examined by a contractor who advised that this is actually the most effective way of managing the problem. Most feedback from residents has been positive therefore, as the Parish Council did this work as a goodwill gesture, it will be left in place.

Resolved Sowerby Parish Council will keep the pathway as it is

8. Planning Applications:

see appendix i

Cllr Bardon declared an interest in all planning matters as Chairman of the Planning Committee.

9. Financial Matters:

9a Receipts None

9b To Note and Approve Payments

see appendix ii

Resolved all items approved

10. New Agenda Items: Co Opted Vacancy - renewed interest has been shown in this position.

Resolved the closing date for applications will be 31st July

Litter Pick will be coordinated by Cllr Foxton and Storm.

Resolved litter pick will take place on 15th July from 10am meeting at the Memorial Park

11. Correspondence for information only

see appendix ii

12. Sub Committees: Cllr Gray reported that the Sk8 Park is being dissolved and passed to Thirsk Clock to form part of the new Sports Village.

13. Any other business that may be legally discussed:

Thirsk Clock Food Bank has made an appeal for donations.

Congratulations were passed via Cllr Storm from a resident who had recently experienced the care at Orchid House and described it as excellent.

14. Date of next meeting: Thursday 13th July at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

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Appendix i Planning

Decisions

17/00821/FUL	Replacement of existing door 36 Back Lane	WTSA	Granted
17/00662/CAT	Work to an oak tree 48 Topcliffe Road	WTSA	Granted

Applications

17/01015/MRC	Variation of Condition 1 House Types, Land on Topcliffe Road Wish to see approved		
17/01075/FUL	Proposed Detached Garden Store with Playroom, 99 Front Street Wish to see refused as the Parish Council feel that a 2 storey building in not in line with the decreasing curtilage you would expect in this conservation area		
17/00840/FUL	Proposed Side Extension, Thirsk Farmers Auction Mart Wish to see approved		
17/01002/CLE	Certificate of Lawfulness for vehicle workshop, Three Tuns Garage Wish to see approved		
17/00974/MRC	Variation of Conditions, Thirsk Garden Centre Wish to see refused as the Parish Council would not want to allow "anything" to be sold in the Garden Centre		
17/00982/OUT	Outline approval for detached two storey dwelling, Howebridge, Blakey Lane Refer to Planning Committee		

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Appendix iii Correspondence

Emails have been circulated during the time since the last meeting and no further action necessary

White Rose Update

Fly the Red Ensign

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