

The Meeting of Bellerby Parish Council was held in the Memorial Hall on **Monday 24th August 2015 at 7.30pm**

Minutes

The meeting was attended by the clerk Lynn Watkinson, Councillors Hutchinson, Travell, Scriven and Wardman. District Cllr Amsden was also present.

Procedural Matters

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr Rycroft sent his apologies.

2. "To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

None

3. To approve the minutes of the last meeting

All present agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting and the Chair duly signed them.

4. Public questions, comments or representations (limited to 10 minutes)

None

Business Matters

5. Matters arising from previous minutes

Flooding Works

Cllr Hutchinson reported that the plaques, finger post and noticeboard were on order.

The final grant funding claim was due to be submitted by the 1st September and the clerk was awaiting one invoice and the estimate of works for the general maintenance to the green. The new noticeboard was to be sited at the tree and the existing notice board had been offered to the Memorial Hall.

Cllr Travell reported that the low bridge at 11 Moor Road had again caused the Mill Race to overflow and the drop kerb at the Cross Keys pub had sunk with the result that water was not being diverted into the drain.

Clerk to contact North Yorkshire County Council if no response from Mr Leathley.

Clerk to contact NYCC re drop kerb.

Village Maintenance Work –Benches, Phone Box and White Posts

Benches – a village colour scheme was discussed. Country/Classic Cream for the benches and Glade Green for the noticeboards and other furniture, were selected.

Telephone kiosk - The forms for the adoption process had been forwarded and a final response was awaited.

Cllr Wardman reported that the bins in the Play Area had not been emptied regularly and there was dog fouling in the Play Area and Playing Fields.

Clerk to contact Liz Scott re Play Area.

Cllrs Hutchinson and Travell to plant the bulbs around the Magnolias later in the year.

Footpath Works

No further report had been received from Brian Mullins.

Cllr Rycroft to follow up on his return.

Letter to Brian Mullins' superior should no progress be made.

Defibrillator

Leyburn First Responders had asked Patrick Murphy of Yorkshire Ambulance Service to do the presentation and dates had been forwarded.

Clerk to book the evening of Monday 2nd November.

Clerk to ask if Mr Murphy available to run both sessions and arrange as necessary.

Land Registry

The Clerk reported that the deeds had been obtained and the process was on hold until the grant fund money had been received.

Clerk to arrange signing of Land Registration forms.

Future Strategy

As it was about 7 years since the last Strategy Plan it was decided to ask Richmondshire District Council to assist in compiling a questionnaire to circulate asking for ideas for the future Strategy.

Cllr Hutchinson to follow up.

Speeding Issue

Cllr Travell reported her recent brush with the Police regarding the Speed Awareness posters provided by Sgt Grainger. Following a discussion with the Police Officer she explained that the wording and logos had been added by Sgt Grainger and the Parish Council were not responsible for specifically identifying Motorcyclists as the main culprits. She agreed to remove the wording Motorcyclists from the existing posters but was concerned that the Police were more supportive of the Bikers Café and their customers than the local community concerned about the speeding in the village.

Cllr Hutchinson to follow up.

Local Council Award Scheme

Cllr Hutchinson felt that the Parish Council should consider joining this scheme. He felt that the Council already complied with the Bronze standard but should aspire to the Silver standard. This was agreed.

Clerk to look into the process.

6. Correspondence received since last meeting

The Clerk had received an email from NYCC offering to assist in updating the existing Emergency Plan. It was agreed to follow this up.

Clerk to contact Robin Derry.

The Clerk had received an email reminder that the Area Partnership Fund closing date was the 4th September. Ideas were discussed and it was agreed to put in an application to fund benches for the Playing Field.

Clerk to prepare and send in application.

The Clerk had received an email from NYCC that 2 of the salt bins on the main road would be removed, one of these being sited adjacent to a dangerous bend.

It was drawn to the Parish Councils attention that people were taking grit from the bins for domestic use.

Clerk to query NYCC criteria for removal of the bins.

Cllr Hutchinson to include in the next Newsletter a reminder that road grit was not for domestic use.

The Clerk reported the results of the Best Kept Village competition with Bellerby coming 9th with 74%.

The Clerk reported that all the Parish Councillors had been invited to the Bellerby Study Group 30th Birthday Party.

7. Planning matters

Full Planning permission for Conversion of Stone Field Barn to Create a One Bedroom Barn Conversion, Mill Lane.

The plans had been circulated prior to the meeting and there were no comments.

Full Planning permission for Alteration to Existing Vehicular Access to Accommodate a Field Access Gate at Wrens House – Granted.

8. Authority to pay

Anthony Goulthorpe	£290.00	100520	Grass Cutting
Bellerby Memorial Hall	£5.40	100521	Hall Rent
Anthony Goulthorpe	£200.00	100522	Grass Cutting
Jim Thompson	£238.50	100523	Rock Armour
John Heslegrave	£2351.38	100524	Walling
R Scott & Son	£321.76	100525	Stone Moving

Receipts:

HMRC	£731.68	R14	VAT Refund
Open Gardens	£984.00	Cheque	Drop Kerb
NYCC	£63.97	R15	Verge Cutting

The Clerk reported that the Yorkshire Local Council Association had been approached to find out what other Parish Councils used and other Parish Councils had been permitted cards on HSBS accounts.

Clerk to write to the bank and ask why this was the case, suggesting the account may be moved.

9. Exchange of views and ideas

Cllr Scriven reported that the Memorial Hall had looked into improving the heating in the Hall but the advice had again been that it would not be cost effective. Cllr Wardman suggested the use of a Biomass generator, LED lighting and heat reflectors behind the radiator.

Clerk to pass comments to the Memorial Hall Committee.

Cllr Travell reported that she had received complaints from residents around the Green as a resident was routinely bumping cars whilst parking. Cllr Hutchinson stated that residents should report incidents directly to the Police.

Cllr Hutchinson reported that Leyburn and Bedale Business Associations were merging.

Cllr Travell forwarded the thanks of Mike and Cynthia Ryde for the works done to the Mill Race up Moor Road.

Cllr Hutchinson asked for clarification on the regulations re Memorial Plaques in the Cremation Plot.
Clerk to forward a copy of the regulations to Margaret Scott.

Cllr Hutchinson circulated a suggested header for use for Parish Council business. This was agreed.

10. Date of the next meeting: 5th October 2015

30th November 2015

25th January 2016

21st March 2016

16th May 2016 Annual Parish Meeting and
Annual Meeting

The meeting closed at 9:10