Bellerby Parish Council

A Public Meeting of Bellerby Parish Council was held in Bellerby Memorial Hall DL8 5QN on

Monday 30th August 2021 at 7:30pm

The meeting was attended by:

The clerk Lynn Watkinson.

Councillors Hutchinson, Chilton, Dilworth, Scriven &

Singleton

Bellerby Freeholders Association

Metcalfe Farms

Approximately 40 members of the public were present

An attendance register was taken to comply with Covid protocols.



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Background and proposal

Following the severe flooding of 30th July 2019 North Yorkshire County Council Flood Risk Management Team published a Section 19 report, a legal requirement, describing the event. This was to be followed with a Feasibility Report of the flood alleviation options available to the area. This has not yet been published but in the meantime Bellerby Parish Council have held a meeting with the team to discuss these options.

Meetings and site meetings with the MOD, the landowner, NYCC and their contractors have been held. Bellerby Freeholders came forward with the suggestion of transferring the land at Quarry Heads to the Parish Council such that this land could be included in the wider flood alleviation project.

A vote was arranged through Richmondshire District Council as an independent third party however the online voting system allowed multiple votes and so the result was voided.

Flooding is an issue which effects everybody in the community as those not flooded are also impacted by the event due to insurance considerations.

Bellerby Freeholders Association

This is a committee formed of unelected representatives by virtue of family ties. There is no constitution and no elections. The request for tenders, meeting dates and annual accounts are displayed widely around the village. Meetings are held annually and usually only 3 people are present. Tenders for the following 12 months tenancy for the two plots of land are opened at the meeting.

Money still held includes £500 for the Bellerby to Leyburn footpath and £1000 for the Memorial Hall roof. At moment there is approximately £2,100 in reserve which will continue to be held by the freeholders against the second plot of land.

Historically both sites were used for quarrying stone for use in the village.

The floor was opened to the public for questions and answers

Attached as:

Appendix 1 – Questions taken at the meeting

Newsletter September 2021- Questions taken by email

Meeting closed 20:14