

Wath and Norton Conyers Parish Council

**Minutes of the meeting held at 7.00pm on
Tuesday 24 November 2015 at Samwaies Hall**

1. **Present:** Cllr J Graham (Chairman) Cllr J Clarke (Vice Chairman), Cllr A Blake
Cllr S Taylor, Cllr G Peace S Hare (Clerk).
2. **Apologies:** None
3. **Declaration of interest in items in the agenda.** None
4. **Minutes of the meeting** held on 19 October 2015 were approved and signed. (Cllr
Clarke proposed and Cllr Blake seconded).
5. **(a) Planning applications:** None

(b) **Any other planning applications** received after the posting of the agenda:
None
6. **Planning decisions** Harrogate Borough Council refused planning permission
for the erection of an agricultural workers dwelling at Brittaines Farmhouse,
Tanfield Lane, Wath for the following reason:
 - Insufficient agricultural justification exists for the proposed dwelling which
would impact on the character of the area contrary to policies SG4 and EQ2
of the Harrogate District Core Strategy Development Plan Document, and
saved policies C2 and HD20 of the Harrogate District Local Plan.

This planning application was considered at a meeting of the Planning
Committee organised by Harrogate Borough Council. A lengthy discussion then
took place following the decision of Harrogate Borough Council.
7. **Planning appeals/withdrawn/enforcement:** None
8. **Other planning matters:** None
9. **Village Enhancement**
 - **Bulbs:** It was agreed that the bulbs should be planted on the approaches
from Ripon, Tanfield Lane and the triangle. **(Action: Cllr Peace)**

- **Christmas Lights:** Lights to be switched on on 1 December. Cllr Blake, Mr Clarke and Mr Marsh were thanked for their work in installing the lights. Cllr Taylor to thank Kettlewells for their donation of mulled wine for the event.
- **Lime Tree:** The Clerk to ask ArborTech for advice regarding pollarding the lime trees and whether they could be left until 2017. Advice also on a substance to avoid damage by rainfall to the trees. The diameter is no more than 40mm. **(Action: Clerk)**

10. **Dog Fouling:** The dogs from the Rectory continue to roam freely around the village.

11. **Highways**

- **Urban Grass Cutting 2016/17:** It was agreed that North Yorkshire County Council be advised that the PC wish for County Council to carry out urban visibility grass cutting for 2016/17. **(Action: Clerk)**
- **Newlay Concrete:** A response has been received from the Operations Director advising that all drivers to the company must adhere to the agreed speeding limits through the village. Cllr Graham to respond to Newlay Concrete. **(Action: Cllr Graham)**
- **Footpath to Melmerby:** The Clerk to contact Highways Department regarding the condition of the footpath. **(Action: Clerk)**
- **Salt:** The Clerk to contact Highways regarding the supply of salt for Tanfield Lane and the road to Melmerby. **(Action: Clerk)**

12. **Accounts: None**

13. **Financial Report:**

14.1. The Bank Reconciliation and bank statement dated 30 October was circulated. A budget report to be provided for the next meeting>
(Action: Clerk)

14.2 **Transparency Code:** NYCC have provided information on uploading information to the Open Data Platform. Passwords and login details are to be supplied in December..
(Action: Clerk)

14. **PAYE:** The monthly Employer Payment Summary has been forwarded to the HMRC.

15. Correspondence:

The following correspondence was circulated:

- NALC Advice Note on Workplace Pensions
 Weekly Bulletin
- YLCA White Rose Update 13 November 2015
- NYCC Local Transport Plan Consultation
 Minerals and Waste Joint Plan
- Clerks and Councils Direct November 2015
- Broxap bins

16. Items for next agenda: Standard items plus Village Enhancement, Highways, Dog Fouling, Lime trees, Transparency Code

17. Date of next meeting: Monday 14 December 2015 at 7pm
 Monday 18 January 2016 at 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.