

ALDWARK AREA PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT ALDWARK MANOR HOTEL, ALDWARK
ON TUESDAY 21 MAY 2013 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: Councillors: Colin Stroud (Chairman), Henry Dean, Roland Crooke and Allan Boddy.

Clerk: Nigel Knapton.

No members of the public were present.

- 13/36** **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**
Councillor Stroud was unanimously elected as Chairman.
- 13/37** **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**
Henry Dean was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman.
- 13/38** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**
Apologies were received from Councillor Pollock. The reason was accepted. There were no declarations of interests.
- 13/39** **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 MARCH 2013**
Minutes were agreed and signed as a correct record.
- 13/40** **PUBLIC FORUM**
There were no members of the public present.
- 13/41** **CLERK'S REPORT & MATTERS ARISING**
- a. The Shorn Dyke Footbridge has not been repaired. If it is not done in a week the Chairman will chase this up with NYCC.
 - b. The signpost at Flawith was believed not to have been returned yet. Councillor Crooke would check this.
 - c. Councillor Pollock was not present to discuss the telephone box.
 - d. The junction at the Aldwark Bridge end of Aldwark has still not been repaired by NYCC Highways. Clerk will chase up and Councillor Crooke will speak to Aldwark Manor to get their support.
- 13/42** **PUBLIC FORUM**
No members of the public were present.
- 13/43** **PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**
- a. 13/00916/FUL – Demolition of existing dwelling/holiday cottage and the construction of replacement dwelling and change of use of agricultural land to domestic at Youlton Lodge Cottage, Youlton Lodge, Youlton for Mr & Mrs MJ Newland. **Wish to see approved.**

Approved

Chairman

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13/44 HAMBLETON DC – PLANNING DECISIONS & APPEALS

- a. 13/00181/FUL – Two storey and single storey rear extension to the existing dwelling house as amended by plan and email received by Hambleton District Council on 27 February 2013 at St Clare, Flawith for Mr & Mrs Thomas. **Granted.**

13/45 POLICE

No report had been received. The Council were disappointed by the lack of occasional attendance by the police at meetings as there were some important matters to discuss. Clerk would follow up with PC Clare Mayes. The Clerk would ask about the speeding issues in Flawith and the lack of response to requests for ‘slow’ signage for roads around Youlton during the recent diversion of traffic around Newton on Ouse.

13/46 WASTE SPREADING

Members were disappointed that following their presentation to NYCC’s Hambleton Area Committee, little progress had been made. Councillor Stroud has been in touch with the committee Clerk who had said that an officer’s report will be brought to that committee in September. In the meantime she would chase up the matter. He had also sought legal advice from NALC and was chasing this up too. Councillor Crooke had received a reply from MP Anne McIntosh to his email. This included a letter from Coast to Coast in response to the points raised in the PC’s report to NYCC’s Hambleton Committee. It was agreed that Councillor Stroud should correct the inaccuracies contained in the letter. The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with the Chairmen of Alne and Tollerton Parish Councils to discuss this issue as a matter of some urgency. It was agreed that a meeting of the 3 PCs with Coast to Coast should be considered. County Councillor Sowray had mentioned the issue in his election leaflet and the Council has engaged with him on this matter.

13/47 APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES

- a. Councillor Stroud was appointed as the representative to the Pearson Trust.
- b. Councillors Stroud and Dean were appointed as representatives to the YLCA Hambleton branch.

13/48 NYCC HAMBLETON AREA COMMITTEE

Councillor Crooke will consider whether to be considered for co-option on to the NYCC Hambleton Area Committee.

13/49 ELECTORAL REVIEW OF HAMBLETON

The final recommendations of the Local Government Boundary Commission were noted. Clerk to obtain a map of the new ward area.

13/50 LOCAL ACCOUNT

The NYCC Local Account in respect of adult social care services was an important document and it was agreed the Chairman would respond on behalf of the Council.

13/51 PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. Leisure – Nothing to report.
- b. Environmental Issues – This item would be removed and waste spreading kept on future agendas.

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- c. Roads, pavements and grass verges – Straight Lane had been repatched. The Clerk would report to NYCC Highways that the Tholthorpe to Flawith and Aldwark Bridge to Alne Cross roads were in urgent need of repair and the road drains in Youlton needed to be unblocked.
- d. Public Communications – The website charges are being sorted out by the Clerk.

13/52 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a. Bank balances, actual vs. budget and receipts and payments were noted.
- b. The attached payments were agreed.
- c. The accounts for the year ended 31 March 2013 were approved.
- d. The accounting statements for 2012/13 were approved.
- e. The annual governance statement for 2012/13 was approved.

Councillors expressed some difficulties in understanding the accounts. It was agreed that the Clerk should explore ways of presenting his financial report in a clearer and simpler format.

13/53 CORRESPONDENCE

A list of correspondence since the last meeting was noted and attached.

13/54 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

Councillor Peter Sowray was not present.

13/55 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Councillor Knapton reported a new Leader of Hambleton District Council, Councillor Mark Robson, had been elected this month and all the committees had been reallocated.

13/56 PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Stroud reported that the Aldwark Ramble in Easter week organised by Boroughbridge and Area “Walkers are Welcome” group had been very successful. During the walk, Councillor Boddy had addressed the walkers about various matters and this was much appreciated. More than forty people had taken part including several local residents.

It was noted that NYCC & HDC had arranged a meeting to consider their proposals to reduce street lighting in Hambleton District including those in Aldwark and Flawith. It was agreed that Cllrs Stroud and Dean would attend this meeting.

13/57 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDAS

None

13/58 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that Cllr Pollock would prefer meetings to be held on Mondays to make it easier for her to attend. It was agreed that this should be tried for the September meeting as a suitable date could not be found for the July meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 18th July 2013 at 7.30pm at Aldwark Manor Hotel. The following meeting would be held on Monday 2nd September 2013 at 7.30pm at Aldwark Manor Hotel.

The Meeting closed at 9.25pm.

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Payments

21/05/2013	YLCA	Subscription	£110.00
21/05/2013	Nigel Knapton	ParishOnline and Moneysoft	£26.93
21/05/2013	I Jackson	Website	£14.07
21/05/2013	Nigel Knapton	Salary & Expenses	£192.95
21/05/2013	HMRC	PAYE	£40.80

Correspondence Received

21/03/2013	North Yorkshire County Council	Hambleton Area Committee
27/03/2013	Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	Membership invoice
02/04/2013	Local Government Boundary Commission	Final Recommendations
09/04/2013	1&1 Internet	Website invoice
09/04/2013	A W Scarborough	Public Liability Insurance certificate
10/04/2013	Autela Payroll Services	Payroll advert
15/04/2013	North Yorkshire County Council	Fun in the Park
17/04/2013	Hambleton DC	Recycling poster
17/04/2013	Hambleton DC	Planning decision 13/00181/FUL
18/04/2013	Hambleton DC	Update
27/04/2013	Clerks & Councils Direct	Magazine
30/04/2013	Hambleton DC	Precept Remittance Advice
01/05/2013	Environment Agency	Allerton Waster Recovery Park
04/05/2013	Rural Action Yorkshire	CountryAir
05/05/2013	Hambleton DC	Planning application 13/00916/FUL
09/05/2013	Environment Agency	Allerton Waster Recovery Park
11/05/2013	HM Revenue & Customs	VAT Refund

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