

ALDWARK AREA PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT ALDWARK MANOR HOTEL, ALDWARK
ON TUESDAY 15 JULY 2014 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: Councillors: Colin Stroud (Chairman), Henry Dean, Sue Southall, Roland Crooke.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk: Nigel Knapton

No members of the public were present.

14/58 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no apologies. There were no declarations of interests.

14/59 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 MAY 2014

Minutes were agreed and signed as a correct record.

14/60 PUBLIC FORUM

There were no members of the public present.

14/61 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. An invoice for £50 for the contribution to the expanded parish newsletter had been received from Alne PCC. An agreement had been reached with the PCC on the future editing of articles submitted by the Parish Council.
- b. The telephone box was ready to accept books. The first books would be put in after the music and beer festival at the weekend. More books were required.
- c. There was an ongoing issue supplying the superfast broadband to Flawith. This was due to an issue in finding a line of sight path from Aldwark. An interim repeater may be required. Information from LN Communications had been hard to obtain. Councillor Crooke would write to NYCC to get the matter resolved.

14/62 CLERK'S REPORT

- a. NYCC Highways had replied regarding the pot holes in Straight Lane and these would be repaired within 8 week of 19 May. Councillor Boddy was not present to report if the work was complete.

14/63 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- a. 14/01155/LBC – Construction of a rear porch at Maidens Folly, Youlton Lane, Youlton for Mr H Dean. **No objections.**
- b. 14/01154/FUL – Construction of a rear porch and replacement garage at Maidens Folly, Youlton Lane, Youlton for Mr H Dean. **No objections.**

Approved Chairman

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14/64 HAMBLETON DC – PLANNING DECISIONS & APPEALS

- a. 14/00819/FUL – Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling and construction of detached garage at Bay Horse Farm, Aldwark for Mr & Mrs R Padgett. **Granted.**
- b. 14/00631/FUL – Formation of access and track off Greengates Lane at Land at Greengates Lane, Flawith for Mr D Coning. **Granted.**
- c. 14/00674/FUL – Alterations, single storey triple car port with glazed link, extension and replacement of external staircase to include porch at Fold House, Aldwark for Mr D Edwards. **Granted.**

14/65 PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Hambleton District Council had given the date of the next Parish Council elections as Thursday 7 May 2015. This would also be the date of the General and District elections.

14/66 GRASS CUTTING

The Chairman had produced a schedule of grass cutting as reported by each Councillor. It was agreed that Councillors would list the grass cutting that was required in each village and who was currently cutting it. Hedges also need to be included on the list. The Chairman would contact Councillor Sowray to obtain the list of the cutting that NYCC would be doing from next year. The information would be drawn together for the next meeting by Councillor Crooke.

14/67 SETTLEMENT HIERACHY

Councillor Crooke reported on the Hambleton DC settlement hierarchy and audit of village services. The veterinary practice in Flawith was not reflected in the audit and could be included under medical facilities. Councillor Crooke will draft a survey response and circulate it for comments. Councillor Crooke then left the meeting.

14/68 CLERK

It was unanimously agreed to appoint Councillor Stroud as Clerk effective from 1 August 2014.

14/69 RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

It was unanimously agreed to appoint Councillor Dean as RFO effective from 1 August 2014.

14/70 PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. Leisure – Play area. Councillor Crooke was not present.
- b. Roads, pavements and grass verges. This had been discussed during the meeting.
- c. Public Communications – There was a problem with the website software upgrade. Ian Jackson -had been asked to address this. The newsletter would no longer be produced as the Parish Newsletter would now be used.

14/71 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a. Bank balances, actual vs. budget and receipts and payments were noted. The actual expenditure under subscriptions was explained.
- b. The attached payments were agreed.

Approved Chairman

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CORRESPONDENCE

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

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COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

County Councillor Sowray was not present.

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DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

Councillor Knapton reported that £500,000 had been transferred to the one off fund due to an unexpected rebate from Central Government. The Council had also agreed to a scheme to reduce the business rates by 50% for 18 months on retail units that have been empty for more than a year. This should help fill the 25 – 30 units affected in the District.

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PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillors thanked Nigel for his work as Clerk over the last two years and presented him with a gift.

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MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON FUTURE AGENDAS

Grass cutting.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 16 September 2014 at 7.30pm at Aldwark Manor Hotel.

The Meeting closed at 9.01pm.

Approved

Chairman

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Payments

15/07/2014	Hambleton DC	Insurance	£474.51
15/07/2014	Alne PCC	Newsletter contribution	£50.00
15/07/2014	Nigel Knpton	Salary & Expenses	£191.55
15/07/2014	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE	£41.20

Correspondence Received

08/05/2014	North Yorkshire County Council	Salt bin reminder
08/05/2014	Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	Provision of service
08/05/2014	Bartlett Tree Experts	Leaflet
10/05/2014	Rural Action Yorkshire	CountryAir
21/05/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning Decision 14/00631/FUL
23/05/2014	North Yorkshire County Council	Tour de France
24/05/2014	North Yorkshire County Council	Salt bin reminder
27/05/2014	HSBC Bank plc	Statements
27/05/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning Decision 14/00674/FUL
27/05/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning Decision 14/00629/FUL
05/06/2014	Hambleton District Council	Legal comment
06/06/2014	North Yorkshire County Council	Straight Lane
07/06/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning application 14/01155/LBC
09/06/2014	Hambleton District Council	Parish Council elections 2015
09/06/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning Application 14/01154/FUL
10/06/2014	Wetherby District Lions Club	Great Yorkshire Bike Ride
10/06/2014	WW1 Centenary Art Commissions	Lights Out
17/06/2014	Hambleton District Council	Insurance
17/06/2014	Hambleton District Council	Parish Council block insurance
17/06/2014	North Yorkshire County Council	Grass cutting
17/06/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning Decision 14/00819/FUL
25/06/2014	Bartlett Tree Experts	Leaflet
26/06/2014	HSBC Bank plc	Bank statements
28/06/2014	Alne Parochial Church Council	Parish Newsletter invoice
28/06/2014	Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	Annual meeting
02/07/2014	Clerks & Councils Direct	Magazine

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