

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF RUDBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 11 MARCH
2019 AT 7.15 PM IN THE CHAPEL SCHOOLROOM**

Present: Councillor Mr S Cosgrove (Chairman) Councillors Mrs E Foden, Messrs A Collingwood, M Fenwick, M Jones, J Nelson, R Readman, N Thompson and A Voke

District Councillor Mrs B Fortune

County Councillor Mr D Hugill

13 members of the public

1. Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs D Medlock and Mr N Bennington.
2. The minutes of last month's meeting had been circulated. The Chairman proposed that they were a true and accurate record of the meeting, Councillor Foden seconded and this was agreed by six Councillors with one voting against. Councillor Collingwood had voted against and said that he felt the report under 6a which stated Councillors had a discussion and gave their views was not an accurate reflection of what Councillors said about the Belbrough Lane planning application. He thought what was said should be minuted. He was not looking for a verbatim account. He also said the January minutes were circulated and put on the website in draft and he thought all minutes should be. Councillor Foden thought it was good to minute that we had a discussion but thought the discussion was a bit verbose to go in the minutes. The Chairman said information from YLCA is that minutes are not a verbatim record of events and conversations at council meetings. Councillor Collingwood proposed that the minutes should reflect points that were made at the February meeting and read out what he thought should be included. The Chairman asked if there was a seconder for the proposal. No other Councillor seconded so the proposal was not supported.

3. **Police Report and Neighbourhood Watch**

The Police report had been received and circulated to Councillors. A report of a male impersonating a contractor from Broadacres and obtaining cash from resident in Hutton Rudby. Males and dogs sighted in field. Officers conducted search. No one sighted. A crime survey can be accessed at www.tinyurl.com/RuralUrbanCrimeSurvey

4. **Meeting open to the public**

A resident asked for assurance that the decision under item 12 will be recorded in the minutes. He also asked that the Council consider the proposal to publish draft minutes in the future. A resident did not understand the reason why the Council had just voted not to include the detail of the discussion under 6a. What is the objection? It could be summarised. A resident spoke about his planning application and the reasons he had applied to demolish the dwelling and build a new house. He realised this is a village and had designed something suitable. The building is picturesque but has not been lived in for many years. HDC advised that 25% of the paddock should be changed to domestic land in order to put a fuel store there. No trees will be cut down. He has a meeting with HDC on Wednesday which may alter the design. A resident asked why the minutes of the February meeting were not available on line and why the January minutes still say draft on them. She was in agreement with Councillor Collingwood about the minutes. She

agreed with Councillor Foden that it is a little verbose but probably something in between could have been used. The Chairman said it has been put to the Council and a majority of Councillors agreed to accept the minutes. A resident thought credibility has been an issue for a long time. The Parish Council needs to think about how it is coming across. He would have liked some more detail. The Council needs to show that it follows good practice and takes note of the issues which have been raised by parishioners. It is in your interest to sort it out. He thought the Council owed it to themselves to record what is being said for transparency and credibility. The Chairman said the minutes are not supposed to be a verbatim record. We have followed the advice of the YLCA. The resident thought the Council was missing an opportunity to improve their credibility by not doing this. A resident spoke about his objections to planning application 6a. The house is in a Conservation Area and should not be demolished. He cited DP28 points 2 and 4 which covered identifying, protecting and enhancing Conservation Areas and protecting and preserving any other built or landscape feature or use which contributes to the heritage of the District. He also mentioned the bank of the river Leven on this site is designated as priority habitat inventory and change to domestic use should be rejected. He felt the new house would be out of keeping with surrounding buildings. Another resident who lives near the property expressed her concerns about the house being demolished and the new one being moved around and nearer to her property. She was concerned about the height of the new property. Another resident thanked Councillor Jones for his work whilst Chairman of the Council. He supported the demolition of Mill House. He also thanked HDC for sending out their green team to litter pick.

5. Matters Arising

- a. Neighbourhood Plan. Mr Mortimer gave a report. The costs to date are £11,686. The process for grants has changed slightly. Unspent funds do not have to be returned but can be carried over to 2019/2020. Extensive discussions have been held on green spaces. Hambleton District Council's advice on the Leven Valley means that a number of sites need to be reconsidered. A landowner had put forward a proposal for partial designation of a site between the River Leven and South View. The Steering Group did not support this. If the landowner wants to make a revised offer the Steering Group will continue discussions. On housing there is a revised target of 25 homes. Three sites were originally proposed but only one is left, Paddocks End/Langbaugh sites. A small working group is checking the selection criteria and will report back on any issues. It is hoped to hold a public consultation in early April.
- b. Footpaths. It was noted that a hedge bordering the proposed footpath to Spar has been netted. Councillor Jones gave an update on the river footpath. Tees River Trust is bidding for money from NYCC. The Council has applied for a grant from HDC.
- c. Village Hall and Play Area. The Chairman had attended the last meeting. Income has dropped due to lack of weddings. The Management Committee are still hoping to make a payment towards the loans. Councillor Collingwood said he will chase up the wood carver concerning the tree outside the Village Hall.
- d. Sports Area. When the road repairs were being carried out contractors used the Sports Area to store their machinery, without permission of the Council. They have left behind an oil drum and sandbag. County Councillor Mr Hugill will raise the matter with Highways.
- e. Village Green. Costs for the new season of grass cutting of Village Green, etc. had been received and circulated to Councillors. The Chairman proposed, seconded by Councillor Thompson, that these be accepted. This was agreed unanimously.

- f. Village Event. The County Council have granted the road closure on 22 June from 12 noon to 7.00 pm. Councillor Foden said it is a day time event only with more entertainment for children. She had booked various items. Councillor Thompson proposed, seconded by Councillor Nelson that the bookings be agreed. This was agreed, with one abstaining. Unfortunately the meeting to plan the Village Event on 13 February was not very well attended. The school did not send out anything to inform parents about the meeting. Councillor Foden will contact the school again. A further meeting will be held on Tuesday, 30 April at 7.15 pm in the Chapel Schoolroom. Councillor Bennington had circulated a quote for the supply of toilets. This was agreed.
- g. Communication. The Chairman said the Council has had a request at this meeting to put the draft minutes on the website in future. Councillor Foden proposed, seconded by Councillor Collingwood that draft minutes be put on the website. This was agreed.
- h. Elections. An election timetable is on the website. Nomination papers must be delivered by hand to the Returning Officer, c/o room 220, Hambleton District Council, Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton from Wednesday 20 March until 4.00 pm Wednesday 3 April. If candidates wish their papers to be checked at Hambleton District Council an appointment will be necessary. Call 01609 767236 or 767130. Information is available at www.hambleton.gov.uk/elections. The Clerk has details of the Electoral Numbers required.
- i. Community Speedwatch. Unfortunately no volunteers came forward as a result of the appeal on the website. Councillor Thompson said they are still operating with a limited number of people. County Councillor Mr Hugill said the County Council has changed its policy on vehicle activated signs. It still has to be approved by the Executive. Communities are to be given the chance to buy their own signs and position them. County Councillor Hugill left the meeting.

6. Planning Applications

- a. Demolition of Mill House, 56 North End and outbuildings. Construction of a detached house and garage. Change of use of land to domestic for siting of field shelter/garden store 19/00175/FUL. After a discussion, Councillor Jones proposed approval with a note that the Council had concerns about the height of the proposed new dwelling. A site visit by HDC Planning Committee was requested. Councillor Fenwick seconded and 6 Councillors agreed with one abstaining.
- b. Ground floor extension to front elevation, extension and first floor to garage and single storey extension to rear of 1 North Meadow 19/00151/FUL. The Council recommended approval.
- c. Works to trees in a Conservation Area at Hutton House, East Side 19/00222/CAT. The Council recommended approval.
- d. Application for removal of condition 2 (Occupancy) relating to Planning Application 2/73/93D/PA at Linden Park, Station Lane. Councillor Jones proposed approval, seconded by Councillor Collingwood and all agreed.
- e. Application for works to reduce height of leylandii and pruning of silver birch tree at 25 Enterpen. 19/00352/CAT. The Council recommended approval.
- f. Application to change previously approved new double garage into a triple garage at Applegarth, Rudby Bank 19/00129/FUL. Residents of neighbouring properties had commented that the drawings were wrong. The extension would impact very closely on a neighbour's property. Councillor Fenwick proposed refusal as it was overdevelopment of the site, the drawings were not correct and concern about the proximity to a neighbour's property. Councillor Foden seconded and all agreed.

- g. Alterations to existing extension roof and a single storey extension at rear of 5 Eden Park Road. 19/00330/FUL. The Council recommended approval.
 - h. Work to trees in a Conservation Area at Highfield House, Enterpen 19/00404/CAT. Councillor Fenwick recommended refusal because no justification was given for felling the trees, Councillor Voke seconded and all were in favour.
 - i. Reserved matters application for construction of detached dwelling, garage and entrance gates at OS field 2719, Stokesley Road. 19/00302/REM. The Council recommended approval but would like the position clarified with regard to the public footpath which is to be constructed along the front of all the houses. All voted in favour.
 - j. Rendering of exterior, new windows and doors and conversion of conservatory to garden room at 16 Belbrough Lane. 19/00412/FUL. The Council recommended approval.
7. District Councillor Mrs Fortune said with the elections approaching she will soon be going into purdah.

8. Finance

Councillor Thompson had circulated to third quarter accounts. There were no queries. Councillor Fenwick proposed, seconded by Councillor Voke that the third quarter accounts be accepted this was agreed by all. The Employer's Summary was received from T P Jones & Co. LLP. The balances in the Council's accounts are as follows:

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| Community Account | £ 5,020.00 (14 February 2019) |
| Burial Account | £11,116.69 (14 February 2019) |
| Business Premium Account | £101,226.07 (14 February 2019) |
| Allotment Account | £1,381.10 (14 February 2019) |

9. Correspondence

- a. Notification from HDC that they will no longer be issuing the outcome of planning applications by post of Parish Councils. This will be done by e mail instead.
- b. E mail from Mr P Cole, Hambleton District Council advising that the next meeting of Stokesley & Villages Community Partnership will be held on 13 March in Stokesley.
- c. E mails concerning proposed changes to the Friarage Hospital. There is a Facebook group called Save the Friarage and an online petition.
- d. E mail from YLCA giving details of planning seminars. Circulated to Councillors.
- e. E mail from YLCA concerning a survey on issues with anti social on street parking and lack of enforcement. The Chairman had completed the survey.
- f. White Rose Update received by e mail from YLCA and circulated.
- g. E mail from Community First Yorkshire asking Councillors to take part in a survey. Circulated.
- h. Chief Executive's Bulletin received by e mail from YLCA and circulated.
- i. Rural Funding Digest and Rural Bulletin received by e mail from Rural Services Network and circulated.

10. Dates for Annual Parish Meetings

The annual meeting for the electors of Rudby and Skutterskelfe Parishes will be held on Monday, 8 April at 7.00 pm in the Methodist Chapel Schoolroom to be followed by the annual meeting for

the electors of Hutton Rudby Parish. The monthly meeting of the Parish Council will follow these two meetings. The Middleton Parish meeting will be held on Tuesday, 2nd April at 7.00 pm at Leven Cottage.

11. Litter Pick

A litter pick will be held on Wednesday, 17 April from 6.00 pm. Everyone is welcome to come and help. Litter pickers will be provided. Meet at the Village Pump on the Village Green.

12. Planning Decisions of Hambleton District Council

- a. Proposed annexe extension to Glenavon, Garbutts Lane plus detached double garage. 18/02687/FUL. Granted.
- b. Alterations to form first floor accommodation including changes to roof height of secondary roof, construction of a new pitched roof over part of existing garage and conservatory, dormer windows to front and back elevation, installation of stone plinth to all walls and rendering of brickwork at 17 Blue Barn, as amended on 17 January 2019. 18/02631/FUL. Granted.
- c. Change of use of storage areas to domestic, installation of new windows and side doors/windows, as amended by plan showing revised extent to the application site received by HDC on 21 January 2019 at Foxton Lodge Farm, Middleton on Leven. Granted. 18/02503/FUL.
- d. Works to trees subject to TPO 1967/45 at 1 Linden Crescent. 18/02560/TPO. Granted.

13. Accounts

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| a. GGN Sportscafe – Interment | £165.00 |
| b. Stephen Johnson Tree Services – Work to tree on Village Green | £264.00 |
| c. Viking Direct – Inks for computer | £64.76 |
| d. Clerk – Monthly salary February + broadband | £523.47 |
| e. Cleveland Audio Services – PA & lighting for Village Event 2018 | £550.00 |
| f. KVA Planning – Neighbourhood Plan, travel expenses + critical friend fee | £627.90 |

Monies Received

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| Allotment rents | £90.00 |
| Dales of Thirsk – Erection of new headstone | £91.00 |
| Seaton Leng & Son Ltd. – Interment fees | £343.00 |

14. To resolve to exclude members of the press and public due to the nature of business to be transacted below being prejudicial to the public interest.

Complaint against Parish Councillor.

Members of the public and District Councillor Mrs Fortune left the room.

Councillors agreed the following: on the advice of the Monitoring Officer the Council will refer the matter to the District Council.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.40 pm.