

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF RUDBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2024 IN THE HUB, METHODIST CHURCH, HUTTON RUDBY STARTING AT 7.30PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Mortimer (Chairman) Councillors Barker, Jopling, Saxton, Simpson, Stones, Titterton, Voke. Councillor Puttick arrived at 8.07pm. North Yorkshire Councillor Hugill.

1. To approve apologies for absence.

It was RESOLVED to accept the apologies of Councillors Horvath and Tate.

2. Declarations of interest. None were declared.

3. Minutes of the meetings held 8 January 2024

It was resolved to accept the minutes subject to – Item 6 (d) Councillor Saxton did not agree to move the signs for first responder.

4. Meeting open to the public.

None present. Closed to the public.

5. Police Report and Neighbourhood Watch. Report 1-31 January 2024.

Report received for the period 1-31st January 2024. Report was noted.

6. Matters arising.

a. Neighbourhood Plan. Nothing to report.

b. Footpaths. The river side footpath did not receive as much damage as anticipated after the flooding, mainly silt deposit. It may need re-stoning later in the year.

Condition of footpath at North End – Clerk unable to report to NYC due to reporting tool on the website not working, Clerk has made repeated attempts to NYC to repair the website without success. Councillor Hugill will try to encourage NYC to resolve the issues.

c. Sports Areas

i. Station Lane. Nothing to report.

ii. Middleton on Leven. Nothing to report.

d. Village Green. Nothing to report.

e. Speed limits signs.

Sign to be rotated prior to next meeting. Carlton Parish Council have asked RPC for advice with similar signage. Noted.

7. Planning applications.

The following applications have been received by the Council. Full details of any responses are available on <https://planning.hambleton.gov.uk/online-applications>

a. 21/02719/FUL Paddocks End, Hutton Rudby. Application for 50 new dwellings. Update. Nothing to report.

b. ZB23/02599/FUL and ZB23/02600/LBC Rudby Green Farm, Rudby Bank. Application for internal and external alterations. It was RESOLVED to object due to concerns with removal of hedge.

c. NY/2023/0184/FUL Hutton Rudby Primary School. Revised application for the erection of play area, canopy, bike shelter, mesh fencing and additional parking. It was RESOLVED to recommend approval.

- d. **ZB24/00023/TPO The Clump, 18 Westholme.** Application to fell trees subject to a TPO. It was RESOLVED to recommend approval.
- e. **ZB24/00123/CAT Hollytrees, 13 Westholme, Hutton Rudby.** Works to trees in a conservation area. It was RESOLVED to recommend approval, as per the submissions circulated previously.

8. Decisions of North Yorkshire Planning.

NY/2023/0184/FUL Hutton Rudby CP School. APPROVED. Noted.

9. Allotments.

Jack Charlton and Councillor Stone had onsite meeting to discuss capital works to split three allotments into 6 allotments and to carry out repairs to another allotment. The work is to be funded from the allotments account. It was RESOLVED to approve the works agreed and the quote provided. Councillors Stones and Titterton offered to help with the works.

10. Hutton Bank.

Despite extensive research it is still unclear who is responsible for repairs to the wall. Archive photos appears to show wall present for 100 years plus. Road widened in 1960's, RPC was not responsible for the widening at the time. RPC does not acknowledge ownership of the wall, but intends to commission a survey because of potential impacts on the Council's land retained by the wall. It was RESOLVED to engage an engineer's report on the structural stability with a provisional budget of £1000.

11. Grass cutting – tenders and verges.

Tenders were sent to contractors, deadline for response, Tuesday 20 February, agreed to extended a further few days if necessary.

NYC have written to offer a small sum of money for RPC to take over some verge works. It was RESOLVED to decline the offer.

12. Litter pick – proposed date 8 April.

Cubs and Scouts will be involved. It was RESOLVED to move the date to 15th April due to clash with Council meetings. Councillor Hugill offered to obtain some litter pick sticks from NYC.

13. D Day commemorations. (6th June)

It was RESOLVED to light the beacon.

14. Village Event planning – proposed date 29 June.

Well attended meeting on the 7/2/24. More stalls and volunteers are very welcome. Next meeting 6/3/24 at 7.30pm in the Hub.

15. Linen Mill bench

Councillor Jopling updated the council with progress on obtain coping stones for the wall, he will speak to the Local History Society for content for the previously planned noticeboards. The intention is also to have another information board reflecting local wildlife.

The council RESOLVED to place a further bench on its land at the Linen Mill field. It was further RESOLVED to accept a donation in memory of Nathan Langston and to allow a memorial plaque to be mounted for 10 years or the life span of the bench, in recognition of that donation.

16. EV charging points – EcoGreen project.

It was RESOLVED to set up a working group with the objective of researching the staging processes and consultation comments.

Various concerns and questions were raised and it was agreed that the working group would discuss those issues at a workshop date in the next few weeks, to be arranged.

17. Chappies Field.

Currently very boggy and slippery and dangerously close to the barbed wire fence. Councillors asked whether the barbed wire could be protected by use of piping/insulation to stop people injuring themselves?

Councillor Hugill offered to try to establish the definitive line of the footpath with NYC so that agreement on making the footpath useable and safe can be reached with the landowner.

18. Steps across the village green to Church House tender.

It was RESOLVED to wait for further tenders to decide on suitability/affordability of the works required.

19. Reports from North Yorkshire Councillor.

NYC Meeting 21/2/24 on levels for council tax.

Green waste renewals going out this week.

Mayoral election packs being released with a £5,000 deposit and £2,000 leaflet contribution, high costs involved to be elected.

Traffic Management –The Council requested assistance for training courses for volunteers, specifically a NYC accredited course. Councillor Hugill agreed to make some enquiries.

Sexhow watersplash – It was reported blocked pipes under the road is adding to the flooding, also causing pressure upstream which could potentially cause damage to the road. Councillor Hugill was asked to make enquiries to clean the drains.

20. Finance.

- a. Employer's summary February 2024. Noted.

21. Accounts Noted

Clerk's salary February 2024, paid in accordance with contract.

Ink payment HP February 2024	£ 9.99
Station Software setting up IT equipment	£ 96.00
Clerk mobile phone	£ 99.00
Mobile phone top up	£ 10.00
Mobile phone cover	£ 7.99
Clerk laptop	£ 449.00
Christmas tree removal (donation to Sarcoma UK)	£ 30.00

Money received.

Allotments holders	£ 320.00
Safe refund	£ 480.00
HMRC VAT refund	£3866.03
HMRC VAT refund	£3036.98
AR Entertainments refund of PA fireworks night	£ 120.00

Barthrams Robb	£ 360.00
Barthrams Mann	£ 280.00
Dales of Thirsk Payne headstone	£ 120.00

22. Correspondence – meeting re-opened to the public. Noted

- a. Email 2 January 2024 YLCA D Day-80 letter and information from pageant master. Noted.
- b. Email 4 January 2024 Area 2 Thirsk notice of dates of parish workshops. Noted
- c. Email 5 January 2024 NYC home upgrade grant information for residents. Noted.
- d. Email 9,19 January, 2 February 2024 YLCA White Rose bulletin and training and discussion bulletin. Noted.
- e. Email 10 January 2024 Rural Funding Digest. Noted.
- f. Email 10, 17, 24, 31 January 2024 NALC newsletter available on request. Noted.
- g. Email 10 January 2024 Parish online newsletter available on request. Noted.
- h. Email 11 January 2024 Area 2 Thirsk confirmation of closure of Weary Bank 17-18 January. Noted.
- i. Email 11, 18 January, 1 February 2024 NALC chief executive bulletin available on request. Noted.
- j. Email 12 January 2023 YLCA training and information bulletin available on request. Noted.
- k. Email 18 January 2024 NY Police 2025 calendar photography competition for young photographers aged 11+, deadline 31 August, applications to stef@nyy.org.uk. Noted.
- l. Email 19 January 2024 YLCA notice of Hambleton meeting 14 February 2024. Noted.
- m. Email 23 January 2024 NALC events. Noted.
- n. Email 25 January 2024 NYC notification of closure of Butcher's Lane, Potto 25-26 January 2024. Noted
- o. Email 26, 30 January 2024 YLCA Hambleton branch meeting 14 February 2024. Noted.
- p. Email 29 January 2024 YLCA branch meetings February 2023. Noted.
- q. Email 2 February 2024 YLCA law and governance bulletin. Noted.
- r. Email 5 February 2024 Tees River Trust notice of farmer and land management engagement training sessions. Noted.

Meeting Closed 9.24pm

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