

GREAT OUSEBURN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 18th January 2006 at 7.30 p.m.
in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

Present: Mr K Scott (Chairman), Mrs J Burton, Mrs R Girdham, Mrs R Kay, Mr M Rampling and Mr B Robinson.

In Attendance: Mrs Z Hopps.

Also present were 6 members of the public.

2006.1 **Apologies for absence** were received from Cllr Paul Thompson.

2006.2 **Declarations of Interest.**

2006.2.1 All Councillors, as Trustees of the Village Hall, declared a personal interest in items relating to the Village Hall.

2006.2.2 Mr B Robinson declared a prejudicial interest in item 2006.4.5 and a personal interest in item 2006.6.3.

2006.3 **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on Wednesday 21st December 2005 having previously been circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Parish Council Meeting was adjourned for a presentation by Alex Rankin of Harrogate Borough Council's Recycling department, describing the work of the department and detailing some of the plans for increasing the amount of waste recycled in future. This to be given publicity in the next edition of the newsletter. Mrs Rankin agreed to check on the status of the recycling bins at The Crown public house.

2006.4 **Progress Reports.**

2006.4.1 Adoption of Moor Lane (minute 5.4/12/05 refers). The Clerk confirmed that a reply had been sent to North Yorkshire County Council querying their previous response.

2006.4.2 Damage to wall at the junction of Boat Lane and Main Street (minute 10.1/12/05 refers). The Clerk advised members that she had written to North Yorkshire County Council with copies of various documents proving that they are responsible for this section of wall, and hoped that the wall would be mended within the next few weeks.

2006.4.3 Cricket club/Youth Forum (minute 11/12/05 refers). Cllr Rampling informed members that the cricket club has been given a list of Youth Forum dates, and he hoped that this would enable them to arrange their evening cup games without clashes.

2006.4.4 New playing field – lease of land (minute 15/12/05 refers). The Chairman confirmed that this matter is still under discussion with the landowners.

2006.4.5 Registration of Village Green – proposal to amend area (minute 4.3/10/05 refers).

At this point Cllr Robinson left the meeting.

The contents of a letter from Mr & Mrs Robinson to North Yorkshire County Council requesting an amendment to the proposed boundary of the new area of Village Green was discussed at some length. A resolution to agree to this new boundary was defeated by three votes to two. The Clerk to respond to North Yorkshire County Council.

Cllr Robinson rejoined the meeting.

2006.4.6 New pavement from Branton Lane to Village Hall (minute 4.7/10/05 refers). The Clerk advised members that the Highways Authority have put this scheme forward for inclusion on the next priority list.

2006.5 **Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.** The following decisions were notified by the Borough Council:

2006.5.1 Lyndlea, Branton Lane, Great Ouseburn. Retention of 2-storey front & side extension with increased roof height & additional rooflight & window. Refused.

2006.5.2 Prospect Farm House, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. Erection of single storey rear extension. Granted subject to conditions.

2006.5.3 Prospect Farm House, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. Listed Building application for the erection of a single storey rear extension etc. Granted subject to conditions.

- 2006.5.4 Hillcrest, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. Formation of vehicular access. Granted subject to conditions.
- 2006.6 Planning applications.**
- 2006.6.1 Provinder House, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. Erection of replacement single storey rear extension & conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation. The Parish Council responded with Option C, seeking safeguards regarding the retention of the single car parking space in front of the house.
- 2006.6.2 Walnut Cottage, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. Crown clean 2 walnut trees under Tree Preservation Orders. No objections.
- 2006.6.3 Walnut Farm, Main Street, Great Ouseburn. Change of use of land to form extension to domestic curtilage and deletion of condition 11 of permission 6.80.115.B.FUL. The Parish Council responded with Option C, seeking safeguards that no permanent structures be erected and that the land remain a paddock, as described, and not a garden.
- 2006.6.4 Box Tree Cottage, Carr Side, Great Ouseburn. Erection of two-storey rear extension. No objections.
- 2006.7 Questions from Councillors.** Cllr Rampling asked whether the Equestrian Centre Objectors Group had been contacted regarding their leaflet, which he considered was confusing and appeared to be from the Parish Council. The Clerk replied that she had asked them clarify this and to provide contact details on any future publications, and they had acknowledged the problem and apologised for it.
- 2006.8 Reports from the Clerk.**
- 2006.8.1 **Flytipping on Lightmire Lane.** An industrial fridge had been dumped at the bottom of the lane on 8th or 9th January, which had been removed by Harrogate Borough Council.
- 2006.9 Proposed Equestrian Centre, Church Field Lane.** The Chairman informed members that Harrogate Borough Council's planning committee decision of 17th January was to refuse this application on the planning grounds set out by the Parish Council in their response to the consultation. The formation of the Action Group was noted, and it was agreed that no further action was required at this time.
- 2006.10 Tree Preservation Order, Church Field Lane.** It was agreed that the Parish Council would support a request for Tree Preservation Orders to be imposed on the lime trees planted in memory of Judge Stanley-Price. The Clerk to contact Harrogate Borough Council's planning department.
- 2006.11 Cricket Club Scorebox.** A request for funding to improve the security of the scoreboard was considered, and it was agreed to fund half the cost, up to a maximum of £350. Quotations to be obtained in the usual way.
- 2006.12 Village Hall – new sound system.** It was agreed to support the Village Hall Committee in its grant applications for funding for a new sound system, including hearing aid loops. No funds required from the Parish Council.
- 2006.13 Quiet Lanes Initiative.** It was agreed that North Yorkshire County Council, the Highways Authority and Harrogate Borough Council should be invited to attend a future Parish Council meeting, in order to get this project underway.
- 2006.14 Statement of accounts for the period 1st April 2005 – 17th January 2006.** The statement of accounts for the current year was approved (copy appended to the minutes).
- 2006.15 Correspondence received.**
- 2006.15.1 Yorkshire Rural Community Council – Village Hall Grant Scheme. Forwarded to the Village Hall Committee.
- 2006.15.2 North Yorkshire County Council – survey of grassed areas. The Clerk to respond.
- 2006.15.3 North Yorkshire County Council – review of contracted bus services. Noted.
- 2006.15.4 Hambleton & Richmondshire NHS PCT and others – Statutory consultation on one new PCT covering North Yorkshire and York. To be circulated.
- 2006.15.5 odpm – Standards of Conduct in English Local Government: The Future. To be circulated.
- 2006.15.6 Harrogate Borough Council – Display Information. The Clerk to respond.
- 2006.15.7 Affordable Housing –a talk from Harrogate Borough Council. Noted.

- 2006.15.8 Green Hammerton Parish Council – support for a proposal to purchase land at Cattal Station for car parking. Current policy of the Parish Council is to support any such scheme, and it was agreed that the Clerk should write a letter of support.
- 2006.15.9 Lower Nidd Minibus Scheme – buffet presentation on 21st January. No representative available to attend, but Cllr Girdham would be able to obtain some leaflets.
- 2006.15.10 Village Hall Committee. A letter dated 16th January had been received, together with a bill for the resurfacing of the car park which was much higher than expected. The letter requested that the Parish Council agreed to pay half the increased cost. It was agreed that the invoice should be paid, but that the Village Hall Committee should be invited to the next Parish Council meeting in order to agree on a figure for the contribution made by them.

2006.16 Reports from representatives.

2006.16.1 **Village Hall Committee.** No report.

2006.16.2 **Youth Forum.** The Christmas party was a great success, resulting in two more adult helpers. The Forum has agreed with the Football Club that they can train on Tuesday evenings in the winter, but that the Forum will have priority on lighter evenings.

2006.16.3 **Police Liaison Group.** No report.

2006.17 Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.

2006.17.1 Various footpath matters, including dropped kerbs not yet installed.

2006.18 **Date and Time of next meeting.** It was confirmed that the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 15th February 2006 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.