

Arkendale, Coneythorpe & Clareton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 15th February 2011 at 7.30 p.m.
in Arkendale Memorial Hall.

Present: Mr P Topham (Chairman), Mrs A Cuthbert and Mr P Houseman.

In Attendance: Mrs Z Hopps (Clerk).

Also present were Cllr John Watson (NYCC), Cllr Anthony Alton (HBC) and twelve members of the public

Before the start of the meeting, there was a presentation from Mr Darren Leng of the Environment Agency on the all the issues that might be involved in the Environment Agency granting approval to an Energy from Waste plant at Allerton.

He confirmed that neither visual impact nor the consideration of transport issues to and from the site are within the EA's remit to respond to any planning consultation.

Following a number of questions from the floor, Cllr John Watson (North Yorkshire County Council) then gave the meeting an update on the progress of the EfW scheme within NYCC, with the planning application probably being submitted by April of this year. After further discussions of various issues it was agreed that due to the very late hour the rest of the Parish Council meeting should be adjourned to February 22nd.

The meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.

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in Arkendale Memorial Hall.

Present: Mr P Topham (Chairman), Mrs A Cuthbert and Mr D Smith.

In Attendance: Mrs Z Hopps (Clerk).

Also present were four members of the public.

2011.1. **Apologies for absence** were accepted from Mrs S Shipman and Mr P Houseman. Cllr John Watson (NYCC) and Cllr Anthony Alton (HBC) had also sent their apologies.

2011.2. **Declarations of Interest.** None.

2011.3. **Minutes of the previous meeting** held on Tuesday 16th November 2010, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

2011.4. **Public Participation.** No issues raised.

2011.5. **Progress Reports.**

2011.5.1. Highways – flooding in Clareton/Salt bin in Clareton (minute 2010.72.1 refers). The new salt bin is now in place. The Clerk to remind the Highways Authority that they were due to contact the Chairman to discuss the flooding.

2011.5.2. Highways – ‘pedestrians in road’ sign (minute 2010.72.2 refers). It was agreed that no change to this sign is required at present.

2011.5.3. Highways – Village Gateway Sign (minute 2010.72.3 refers). It was noted that the new ‘Passive Safety Protocol’ has not yet been agreed by NYCC and it was therefore agreed that no further action can be taken at present.

2011.5.4. Highways – Harrogate Rural Safety Scheme fund (minute 2010.72.4 refers). It was noted that the preliminary costings received for the proposed new stretch of footpath amounted to more than £10,000, and it was therefore agreed that this project was not feasible from the £3,000 budget available. It was noted that this money could be spent on repair work – the Clerk to make enquiries about what repair works were currently planned for 2011 by the Highways Department.

2011.5.5. Honours System (minute 2010.72.5 refers). The Clerk informed members about the “Volunteering Oscars” run by Ackrills Media Group in conjunction with the Mayors’ Office (held in October last year), and it was agreed that nominations should be put forward. The Clerk to make further enquiries.

2011.6. **Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.** The following decision was notified by the Borough Council:

2011.6.1. Clareton Farm, Clareton Lane, Coneythorpe, HG5 0SA. Conversion and partial demolition of barn to form dwelling, formation of vehicular access and installation of package treatment plant. Granted subject to conditions.

2011.7. **Planning applications.** None.

2011.8. **Allerton Waste Recovery Park.**

It was noted that the NYCC meeting on December 15th 2010 agreed to award the contract to AmeyCespa. The current timetable for planning process on this matter was noted.

The Chairman reported from the Community Liaison Group and the Parish Councils Group, which he is now chairing. This group is looking at the issue of potential costs and is drawing up proposals for fundraising. At the next Liaison Group the issue of traffic planning will be looked at.

It was agreed that as the Parish Council’s view opposing this scheme as presently understood is well established, any correspondence concerning this issue could be delegated to be dealt with between meetings by the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman.

It was agreed that no further action was required at this stage.

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- 2011.9. **The Mar** (minute 2010.77 refers). The various options available for clearing The Mar have been investigated by Cllr Houseman, and it was agreed that as he was not able to attend this meeting, this item should be considered at the next meeting.
- 2011.10. **Harrogate Borough Council – Consultation Meetings with Parish Councils 2010/11.** The Chairman reported from the meeting held Thursday 3rd February 2011. The problem of heavy vehicles in Clareton Lane is a short-term issue, until the new barn is built. The issue of access onto the A59 was raised, and it was agreed that the Parish Council should contact Goldsborough Parish Council, Fedex, the Golf Club and Morrisons to seek support for the proposal that traffic lights should be introduced.
- 2011.11. **Dog Fouling.** A proposal to hold a 'bag and flag' event to highlight the issue of dog fouling was discussed, and a proposal was made that a litter bin should be installed near the pub in Coneythorpe. It was agreed that the Chairman would canvass opinion on the issue in Coneythorpe, and Cllr Cuthbert agreed to do the same for Arkendale.
- 2011.12. **Request to relocate the Post Box.** Correspondence received from Royal Mail was noted regarding a request they have received to relocate the box from the present location on Moor Lane in Arkendale, and install it to the left, just on the other side of the telephone box, past the telegraph pole. It was agreed that there was no objection to this.
- 2011.13. **Village Green.** It was noted that vehicles have again driven over the Village Green in Coneythorpe and a request from a local resident to install edging stones to prevent vehicles from accessing the Village Green was considered. A member of the public present offered to put some stones along the edge and it was agreed that this matter could be dealt with informally.
- 2011.14. **Coneythorpe Conservation Area Appraisal.** It was noted that the draft document has been sent out for consultation (ending 28th March). The consultation is available online at: http://www.harrogate.gov.uk/Documents/DS-P-CAA_Coneythorpe_Draft.pdf. The Chairman advised members that as a Coneythorpe resident, he had already sent a response to the consultation, in which he corrected some factual errors. It was agreed that no additional response was required from the Parish Council.
- 2011.15. **Statement of accounts for the period 1st April 2010 – 22nd February 2011.**
The statement of accounts for the current year was noted and the following payments approved (copy appended to the minutes): It was agreed that £500 should be given to the Church to help pay for the lighting (already budgeted for under s137 grants).
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| P15/10 | Clerk's salary and expenses (qtr 3) | 289.98 |
| P16/10 | Arkendale Village Hall (hire charge) | 28.00 |
- 2011.16. **Correspondence received.**
- 2011.16.1. Localism Bill – some guides to the new Bill. Circulated.
- 2011.16.2. Request to change the date of the September 2011 meeting. It was agreed that the meeting should be moved to 27th September.
- 2011.16.3. Royal British Legion Poppy Party in June 2011 – the Chairman will look into this.
- 2011.17. **Reports from representatives.**
- 2011.17.1. **Village Hall Committee.** No report.
- 2011.17.2. **Police Liaison Group.** No report.
- 2011.18. **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.** Highways Authority issues regarding the cleaning of road signs and the damage done to the bridge at Holgate bank.
- 2011.19. **Date and Time of next meeting.** It was confirmed that the next scheduled meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday 10th May 2011 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Arkendale.
- There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.