Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 20th November 2012 At 7.30pm. in Arkendale Community Hall

Present: Cllr P Topham (Chairman), Cllr P Houseman, Cllr S Shipman, Cllr D Smith In Attendance: Mrs G Bartle (Clerk) 19 members of the Public 2012.51 Apologies for Absence – Cllr. D Bailey, Cllr. John Watson, Cllr. Anthony Alton 2012.52 **Declarations of Interest** – There were none Minutes of the Previous Meeting – The minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2012 2012.53 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. 2012.54 Public Participation – There was public participation with regard to agenda item 2012.57. 2012.55 **Planning Decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council** 1. Listing Building Consent 6.87.28.D.LB 12/03463/LB – Application Withdrawn 2012.56 Planning Applications dealt with between meetings None

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1. Application 12/03520/FUL – The Bluebell, Arkendale

It was agreed to inform HBC that the Council supported the application. With reference the concerns raised below.

Several members of the public made verbal representations to the Parish Council and some written representations had been received. The majority wanted to support the application but there were a number of concerns mainly relating to the Car Parking but also the windows for the kitchen overlooking Westfield Lane (a request that they should be fixed pane to reduce noise) and also the location & type of the extractor fan (another issue relating to noise).

2012.58 Allerton Waste Recovery Park: (minute 2011.73 refers)

The Chairman, Councillor Topham, updated those present on the current situation regarding this proposal. It has been passed by NYCC. The Parish Councils Group were now talking to an ombudsman and asking for the application to be called in for a Public Enquiry. MPs are also

actively lobbying on behalf of the objectors. A decision regarding the next step is likely to be in early December.

2012.59 Reports from Other Councillors

None

2012.60 Reports from Other Meetings Attended:

Parish Consultation Meeting – Wednesday 7th November Report from Councillor Topham – who outlined the discussions held and questions asked, particularly relevant to this Parish:

- 1. The Roundabout at Flaxby Moor NYCC are not funding or undertaking any works at this junction. The proposed works have been agreed with the developer but NYCC are waiting for the developer to sign and return documentation before programming of works can be undertaken.
- 2. The Traffic Counter on the A59 It was not known who had instigated this so it could be down to a developer associated with a potential future development.

2012.61 New Code of Conduct & Register of Interests

It was agreed to defer this to the next meeting as YLCA are about to publish new guidance from NALC further to the changes introduced as a result of the Localism Act 2011.

2012.62 Standing Orders

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2012.63 Financial Regulations

It was determined to add to the financial regulations a rule that the Parish Council could only make donations to a maximum amount of £250 without the production of three valid quotations.

It was agreed to also consider these regulations at the next meeting as YLCA further to the publication by YLCA of new guidance from NALC further to the changes introduced as a result of the Localism Act 2011.

2012.64 Risk Assessment

Amendments had been made to the Risk Assessment as per minute 2012.37 and the Council agreed to accept the updated Risk Assessment.

It was also agreed to check with the insurance company the cover for the Fixed Assets.

2012.65 **BT Phone Kiosk, Moor Lane, Arkendale:** (minute 2011.76 refers)

Cllr. Shipman had contacted a PC who was hoping to put a defibrillator in their phone box. It was agreed that she would put together a report for discussions at the next meeting.

2012.66 Notice boards

The three quotes received were discussed and it was agreed to obtain further quotes for a notice board of a slightly different format and a different material. The notice board to be free-standing with posts and lockable.

2012.67 Village Signs

Communication had been received from HBC that the Highways Inspector had been out to inspect the signs and that they were safe at present, that replacement signs have been ordered and once they have arrived, arrangements will be made to put them in place.

2012.68 Potholes

Communication had been received from HBC that the Highways Inspector had informed that works have been collated and areas previously discussed identified but due to the recent bad weather it has not been ideal to mark up. Two roads may require closure for the repairs but no definitive timescales are as yet in place.

2012.69 Trees on Moor Lane

It was agreed to contact NYCC Area 6 about a damaged tree on the Arkendale side of Moor Lane just past Moor Farm, which may be dangerous.

It was also agreed to contact HBC Arboreal to enquire if any works were scheduled for Arkendale.

2012.70 The Old Police Station – Harrogate

Enquiries had been made and information received that the future of this building was unknown due to it being given listed status.

2012.71 Gypsy & Traveller Needs Assessment

This had been received from HBC, was completed and the Clerk will submit.

2012.72 Issue of Buses not stopping in Arkendale

Cllr. Topham had spoken with Eddie Browns who run the buses and advised that they were improving the training given to drivers and issuing new guidance on routes. An undertaking was received that buses would, in future, include Arkendale in their route.

2012.73 Correspondence Received:

- a). Register of Electors This had been received.
- b). White Rose Update had been circulated to all Parish Councillors.

2012.74 Finance

- a). The 2nd instalment of the Parish Precept had been received.
- b). The current statement of accounts was circulated and the reviewed.
- c). It was agreed to keep the Parish Precept at the same level of £2600.00 The following payments were agreed:
- d). Payment of fee for Mazars External Auditors £60.00
- e). Payment of Rental for Community Hall 20th November 2012 £18.00
- f). Payment of Fee for Notification (Data Protection) £35.00
- g). Payment of Clerks Salary August to October 2012 £292.25
- h). To consider request for Funding by Alan Stokes for Loop System for Community Hall. It was agreed to defer this to the next meeting until the correct costing for the notice board have been received.

2012.75 Reports from Representatives

a). Community Hall Committee – The Chairman of the Committee informed that ongoing bookings for the hall were good and advised those present of the upcoming AGM.

2012.76 Matters for Inclusion on the Next Agenda

Finance

Planning

Standing Orders

Financial Regulations

Phone Box & Defibrillator

Pot Holes

Village Signs

Notice board

Consider Request from Alan Stokes - Community Hall Committee

2012.77 Date & Time of Next Meeting

Tuesday 15 January 2013 at 7.30 pm

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9.35pm.