

Arkendale, Coneythorpe & Clareton
Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 17th September 2014
At 7.30pm in Arkendale Community Hall

Present: Cllr P Topham, Cllr P Houseman, Cllr D Bailey, Cllr M Robertshaw
NYCC Cllr R Windass, HBC Cllr A Alton, Elizabeth Owen (West Park Inns)

In Attendance: Mrs Kate Lavelle (Clerk)
9 members of the Public

2014.20 **Apologies** – Cllr S shipman

2014.21 **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Topham declared an Interest regarding the planning application Bramblewick, Shortsill Lane, Coneythorpe – change of use

2014.22 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** –
The minutes of the meeting held on 19th May 2014 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2014.23 **Planning Decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council**

1. Application 6.87.38.A.FUL – Erection of pitched roof and single double storey garage with formation of living accommodation in the roof space at Bramblewick, Shortsill Lane, Coneythorpe – Permission refused
2. Application 6.87.16.E.DVCON – Variation of condition 3 of planning permission 6.87.16.D.FUL to allow the repositioning of vehicle access gates and piers and the erection of new pedestrian gates at Clareton Farm, Clareton Lane, Coneythorpe – Permission granted subject to certain conditions
3. Application 6.78.67.D.LB – Listed building consent for the conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation (revised scheme) at Pond House Farm, Mar Head Balk, Arkendale – Listed building consent granted subject to certain conditions

2014.24 **Planning Applications dealt with between meetings**

1. Application 6.87.38.B.FUL – Change of use of woodland to rear residential garden at Bramblewick, Shortsill Lane, Coneythorpe
2. Application 6.78.95.A.PNT56 – Erection of 6 BT telegraph poles at Westfield Lane, Arkendale
3. Application 6.78.67.D.FUL – Erection of single storey extension, conversion of basement to form additional living accommodation and installation of 2 windows and 3 roof lights at Pond House Farm, Mar Head Balk, Arkendale
4. Application 6.78.67.D.LB – Listed building consent for the conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation (revised scheme) at Pond House Farm, Mar Head Balk, Arkendale

5. Application 6.78.18.PBR – Prior notification of change of use of an agricultural building to two dwelling houses at The Barn, Moor Lane, Arkendale – the plans were shown to the meeting. Comments are required by 19th September. Several concerns were raised:-

- The designated parking at the front of the property appears to be on HBC land and the tree is not shown in the plans
- The properties are so close together that maintenance of the walls/windows would be impossible
- There is a building at the back which is currently incorporated in the plans but is under different ownership and has no access
- There is insufficient access for emergency services to get to the back of the properties
- Is there any low cost housing in the plans?
- The area of land is too small for two dwellings
- Clarification is needed on the windows in the roof and to the side overlooking a neighbouring property

Clerk to raise objections by 19th September

2014.25 Planning Applications – received post agenda, pre meeting

There were none

2014.26 Finance

- 1 Payment of £80.00 to James Mackman
- 2 Payment of £18.00 to Autela Payroll
- 3 Payment of £15.00 to YCLA –advertisement
- 4 Payment of £243.80 to Zurich Insurance
- 5 Payment of £66.74 clerk’s salary – ZHM
- 6 Payment of £68.80 to HMRC
- 7 Payment of £53.70 clerk’s salary – GB
- 8 Payment of £15.00 to Autela
- 9 Payment of £66.54 clerk’s salary – ZHM
- 10 Payment of £115.00 to YLCA - training
- 11 Payment of £15.80 clerk’s expenses – KL
- 12 Payment of £45.00 to Arkendale memorial hall – Sept/Jan meetings/interview
- 13 Payment of £92.08 clerk’s salary - KL

2014.27 Reports from Other Councillors

Cllr Windass reported on matters from NYCC.

Allerton Park – the executive have approved plans for the incinerator and it looks likely that the matter will be approved at next week’s meeting on Weds 24th Sept by NYCC. Projected savings are in the region of £11 million but he is of the opinion that the running of the plant will cost the taxpayer far more. Alternative sites have been rejected on the grounds of costs and logistics.

Cllr Topham expressed his disappointment and reiterated the fact that, in his opinion, the incinerator will be a costly mistake. Cllr Topham thanked Cllr Windass for his support over the last year on this matter and invited all interested parties to attend the meeting on Weds 24th to demonstrate their opposition.

Broadband – Cllr Topham raised the issue of whether Coneythorpe would also be receiving high speed broadband as in Arkendale. Cllr Windass said that the matter is in the hands of BT. He will send the Clerk a link to his contact at BT for future communication.

Bus services – Cllr Topham raised two issues. The first is that sixth form students now have to pay for their transport to school, even though it is now mandatory for 16 year olds to pursue higher education. Secondly, the bus service for all faith school pupils is to cease in 2016. Cllr Windass pointed out that there is no legislation to provide financial assistance for post 16 pupils to get to school. Cllr Topham requested that Cllr Windass raise these issues at the next NYCC meeting.

Road markings and potholes – Cllr Topham queried why Area 6 have spent so much time marking white lines at the bottom of Clareton Lane but have not repaired the potholes, which have merely been marked up in white. Cllr Windass replied that all potholes are earmarked in white and then they are prioritised. At the moment, Area 6 are concentrating on B roads. He suggested that if there are serious concerns, the Parish Council should email Area 6. Cllr Robertshaw confirmed that he has reported two serious potholes resulting from traffic turning off Marton Lane up Hillbank. An inspector has been and he awaits feedback from Area 6.

Cllr Alton reported on matters from HBCC.

Planning - there is no HBC approved plan in place at the moment so developers are having “a free for all”. It is now anticipated that a new plan will be adopted in 2018 so as a consequence, the Harrogate surrounding villages can expect to see a lot of new development.

Council offices – there is no further information at present

Cllr Topham thanked both Councillors for attending the meeting

2014.28 Allerton Waste Recovery Park

See 2014.27 above

2014.29 Commuted Sums

Alan stokes reported that the new projection system is up and running. There is a new licence in place to show a variety of films, which should lead to more choice for the community. The cost of the new system has been met by commuted sums.

The Hall celebrates its 5th birthday this weekend with a party to be held in the Hall. All are welcome to attend.

The Hall has been redecorated and the floor has been restored to its original state

2014.30 The Bluebell

Elizabeth Owen from West Park Inns reported that a lot of building work has been done in the last month. They are still on target with the work and hope to open next Spring. There will be an opportunity for residents to inspect the building but not at this stage. Richard Barker is the Project Manager. Concern was raised about the hoardings obscuring the views for motorists at the exit from Westfield Lane out onto Moor Lane. Elizabeth Owen to speak to Richard Sykes about this. Elizabeth Owen to attend the next Parish Council meeting on 19th November.

2014.31 Parking on Clare How Close

Cllr Topham confirmed that this land is owned by HBC and is part of the council owned houses known as Clare How Close. It is not a village green. The matter has been referred to the Head of Housing at HBC. Clerk to chase HBC.

2014.32 Use of Coneythorpe Village Green

Cllr Topham referred to two complaints by a resident of the use of Coneythorpe village green. The first related to the erection of a marquee on the green for a wedding reception. It was mistakenly thought that this would be permissible if the village committee gave permission and everyone in the locality was in agreement. Apologies have been issued and Cllr Topham hopes that the issue has now been resolved.

The second complaint relates to a broken manhole cover on the green. It can be reported that this is a private surface water drain. HBC have contacted Yorkshire Water to deal with this. HBC have also pointed out that parking close to or on the manhole cover may have been a contributory factor.

2014.33 Register of Interests

All Councillors present confirmed that there were no amendments to the register.

2014.34 Appointment of new Clerk

It was confirmed that Kate Lavelle had been appointed as the new Clerk to replace Zoe Hartley-Metcalf.

2014.35 NYCC urban grass cutting

Cllr Topham confirmed that NYCC will be cutting the grass only at junctions. Richard Tesseyman has agreed to carry out grass cutting on the verges twice a year. Clerk to obtain a quote.

2014.36 Erection of new mirror

The Parish Council thanked Hubert houseman for the new mirror.

2014.37 Broadband upgrade in Arkendale and Coneythorpe

See 2014.27 above

2014.38 Church War Memorial and Graves

The quotation for £216 (inc VAT) from Stephenson's Memorial Works LLP dated 19th August 2014 for cleaning the war memorial was agreed. Proposed by Cllr Houseman and seconded by Cllr Bailey. The PCC have also welcomed the action.

2014.39 Correspondence

1. Email dated 12th August from Steve Shaw at Local Works regarding the right for Parish Councils to sell electricity. It was agreed that our community is too small to take part in this scheme.
2. Email dated 1st August 2014 from NYCC charging for hardcore and rubble. Cllr Topham noted that we have registered concern with NYCC that fly tipping will increase.

2014.40 95 Alive – speed concern on Moor Lane, Arkendale

Cllr Topham confirmed that we have received notification from the 95 Alive Partnership that they intend to deploy a temporary vehicle activated sign. Clerk has asked for a date and awaits response.

2014.41 Notification from YLCA of new regulations regarding the recording of meetings
 Cllr Topham introduced a resolution to amend standing order S.3L and Annex 1 dealing with the recording of meetings – it is now permitted to video, record and broadcast Parish Council meetings with prior written consent, subject to conditions. Proposed by Cllr Houseman and seconded by Cllr Bailey

2014.42 Potholes
 See 2014.27 above

2014.43 Matters for inclusion on the Next Agenda

1. Alan Stokes to give an update on the Community Hall
2. Report from each Parish Councillor.
3. Ideas for improvements in the community using community sums
4. New village sign in Coneythorpe
5. Church lighting

2014.44 Date & Time of Next Meeting
 Wednesday 19th November 2014
 There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Signed Dated