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Arkendale, Coneythorpe & Clareton
Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11th November 2015
At 7.30pm in Arkendale Community Hall

Present: Cllr P Topham, Cllr D Bailey, Cllr M Robertshaw, Cllr S Shipman
NYCC Cllr Robert Windass, HBC Cllr Anthony Alton, Jan Garrill (Chief Executive Two Ridings
Community Foundation)

In Attendance: Mrs Kate Lavelle (Clerk)
20 members of the public

2015.48 Apologies for Absence – Cllr Houseman

2015.49 Declarations of Interest - none

2015.50 Public Participation – Cllr Topham welcomed members of the public

2015.51 Minutes of the previous meeting:

The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 23rd September 2015 were amended at 2015.36 to include the words "for green spaces". Otherwise the Minutes were approved as correct records and signed by the Chairman

2015.52 Reports from other Councillors

Cllr Windass reported on matters from NYCC

- **Devolution** – there is currently discussion on various permutations.
- **AWRP** – to be discussed under item 2015.53
- **Trading Standards Department** – there has been an increase in funding due to electronic crime and the effect on vulnerable people
- **Bus services** – it was confirmed that the 56 and 57 bus services will remain at their present level
- **Reintroduction of County Councillor's allowance** – this is a £5000 allowance which can be allocated to community projects with a minimum of £300 and a maximum of £5000. Cllr Windass invited proposals for consideration.
- **School Bus Services** – a resident pointed out that the school bus service for St Aidan's and St John Fisher will be withdrawn from September 2016, creating a problem in getting children to school coupled with a potentially huge increase in traffic on Harrogate's roads. The resident wondered whether there was a possibility of Transdev operating a school bus service. Cllr Windass suggested that the pupils use the 56 and 57 bus service but it was pointed out that these services do not start until after 9am and some services do not go to Harrogate. Cllr Windass advised contacting

Keith Roebuck, Business Director for Transdev, on 01423 566122

- **Fracking in Ryedale** – this has yet to be decided on

Cllr Alton reported on matters from HBC

- **Planning** – Flaxby site still under discussion
- **Local plan** – there is new evidence that 518 new houses are required every year in order for HBC to meet its 5 year housing supply. This means that HBC now have enough planning permissions to meet supply for the next 6 years. However this is based on a rationale that younger people cannot afford a new home and therefore the supply has been reduced accordingly. This rationale may be disputed by developers. The Local Plan is due to be finalised by 2017/18 and so developers still have an advantage.
- **Electoral Boundary Commission** – it has been proposed that there will be elections for all councillors will be held every 4 years from 2018, the number of councillors will be reduced to 40 instead of 54 and the boundary wards are set to change. This is all at proposal stage
- **Crescent Gardens** – sale has fallen through but the premises will be remarketed in the Spring
- **Green Waste** – the collection will cease for Winter at the end of November. From 2017 it is proposed that a £39 charge will be levied if any resident wishes to use this service. A resident queried the whereabouts of a questionnaire in relation to this matter but Cllr Alton did not have any information. A resident pointed out that green waste is composted but Cllr Alton confirmed that this does not cover the cost of the collection of green bin. A show of hands indicated that the vast majority of residents present do not agree with the charge.
- **20mph signs** – in response to a query from a resident, Cllr Alton could not confirm whether HBC have been asked to join the campaign for a default 20 mph speed restriction on certain roads

2015.53

AWRP

- Cllr Topham reported on the last Community Liaison Committee meeting – several of the residents who live in close proximity to the development had dominated the meeting with issues in relation to their houses and it was hoped that the next meeting would cover some wider issues
- Jan Garrill gave a presentation on behalf of Two Ridings Community Foundation. Grant applications are now open and residents are invited to contact her or Leilah Vyner for more information. There is a fund of £840,000 for 5 years and whilst all applications will be considered, the grants are primarily to mitigate landscape and visual effects and to enhance cultural heritage and biodiversity. In the event of oversubscription, priority will be given to the most visually impacted areas. There is an expectation that NYCC will be amenable if any screening is to take place on their land eg. verges. Larger grant applications may receive the help of specialist consultants. There were queries as to whether the grants would cover a new playground or speed restriction signs – it was explained that this would be permitted only to the extent that this would enhance the environment/cultural heritage. For details on the grants visit www.trcf.org.uk

2015.54

CPR course

- John Brook confirmed that he had received very little interest on his proposed CPR course (details were sent to Coneythorpe residents in an email) It was agreed that John and Cllr Topham would re advertise the course and fix an evening date for the event after Christmas.

2015.55

Finance – the following payments were noted

1. Payment of £25.00 Arkendale Community Hall
 2. Payment of £98.58 clerk's salary (Sept)
 3. Payment of £95.33 clerk's salary (Nov)
 4. Payment of £35.00 Data Protection
 5. Receipt of £36.00 VAT repayment from HMRC
 6. Receipt of £1300.00 second precept payment from HBC
- The Cllrs reviewed and approved the accounts for the current financial year to date
 - The Cllrs confirmed that they have received and read the latest pension information document dated 4th November 2015 from Autela regarding the assessment of the impact of business processes. No further action required at this stage.
 - The Cllrs approved the calculation of the precept for 2016/17. Clerk to return to HBC
 - The Cllrs noted that the data protection registration has been renewed

2015.56

Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.

- Application 6.78.92.C.FUL 15/02064/FUL – demolition of two outbuildings, erection of carport and garden store to include access steps at Dale Farm, Moor Lane, Arkendale – planning permission granted subject to conditions
- Application 6.87.16.G.FUL 15/02717/FUL – erection of porch, single storey, two storey extensions and replacement roofs, alterations to roofs and chimneys to include conversion of loft to form additional living accommodation, alterations to fenestration and installation of septic tank at Clareton Farm, Clareton Lane, Coneythorpe – permission granted subject to conditions

2015.57

Planning Applications dealt with between meetings

Cllr Shipman reported on the following

- Application 6.78.29.G.FUL 15/04593/FUL – conversion of detached hobbies building to form ancillary residential accommodation at Hollins Farm, Arkendale – Parish Council has no objections
- Application 6.87.16.G.CO.U 15/04397/CO.U – change of use of agricultural buildings to ancillary domestic occupation and associated land to form domestic cartilage at Clareton Manor Barn, Clareton Lane, Coneythorpe – Parish Council has no objections
- Application 6.78.35.K.FUL 15/04572/FUL – conversion of 2 stores and erection of single storey extension to form gym and study and alterations to fenestration at Holgate Bank Grange – Parish Council has no objections
- Application 6.87.16.H.FUL 15/04574/FUL – erection of single storey and two storey extensions, formation of steps, installation of chimney, demolition of conservatory and alterations to fenestration to include installation of roof lantern at Clareton Farm, Clareton Lane, Coneythorpe – Parish Council has no objections
- Application 6.78.89.A.FUL 15/01941/FUL – Erection of 5 dwellings at field west of Long acre, Moor Lane, Arkendale – **Cllr Shipman reported that nothing further has been received from Mr Milner but in any case there is only scope for a limited amount of development within the field within the boundary of the village and proper screening would be**

required. If revised plans are submitted then the Parish Council will have an opportunity to comment.

- Application 6.78.18.F.FUL 14/04505/FUL – conversion of barn to form two dwellings with associated parking at The Barn, Moor Lane, Arkendale - **Cllr Shipman reported that nothing further has been received (the application was previously rejected and the PC awaits further news)**

2015.58 Interim Planning applications

- To consider any planning applications received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting - none

2015.59 NYCC Local Transport Plan

- As reported by Cllr Windass there will be no change to the 56 and 57 bus service

2015.60 Schedule of Assets

- It was agreed to add the new bench seats on Clare How Close and in the cemetery once they are installed. Other than that, the schedule of assets was approved

2015.61 YLCA meeting

- Cllr Topham reported. Cllr Richard Cooper was present and gave an interesting update and indicated that he would be happy to attend a PC meeting should the opportunity arise.

2015.62 Electoral Boundaries Commission

- See report from Cllr Alton above.

2015.63 Commuted Sums

- Church lighting – no further update at present
- Benches at Clare How Close and in the cemetery – Cllr Shipman was pleased to report that the benches are due to be installed the following week. It was noted that will be an extra cost for installation and fixing

2015.64 Community Hall, Arkendale

- The Community Hall continues to provide popular events but attendance from the immediate local community is disappointing
- The financial accounts are in good shape
- A Health & Safety inspection has been carried out which was successful except there was a comment in relation to children playing in or around the verge abutting the road. A letter has been sent to the Blue Bell to warn patrons of the danger. No response has been received yet

2015.65 Coneythorpe

- **Broadband update** – a resident was able to confirm that there should be further news at the end of the month
- **20 mph signs** – 95 alive have completed their monitoring but could not find any significant issues – it was suggested that they had not placed the monitor in the correct place. Further monitoring cannot take place for another 3 years. Cllr Robertshaw to contact the Police Commissioner to raise further awareness. Cllr Robertshaw to contact Area 6 to see if further

awareness could be raised of the issue including the installation of speed traps. Cllr Topham informed the meeting that he has spoken to Ian Gill regarding the HGVs and that the Ian has agreed to leaflet all drivers of HGVs in connection with his business to adhere to a 20 mph speed restriction. There followed a debate between residents and Cllrs as to how to remedy the speeding problem. Cllr Topham pointed out that all road signage should be approved by NYCC so that the process is legal. It was suggested that the installation of “20’s plenty” signs should be pursued together with some form of rumble strip or cobbles at the entrance to Coneythorpe. The signs could be designed by the children. It was discussed whether the cost of these initiatives could be covered by the Two Ridings S.106 grants. Cllr Shipman suggested that a sub committee will be formed comprising Coneythorpe residents and Cllr Robertshaw to investigate these initiatives and apply for grants. Arkendale and Flaxby residents requested that information be shared with these villages too.

2015.66 Arkendale

- Road safety – a resident requested the installation of a mirror opposite the car park on Moor Lane. Cllr Robertshaw to investigate but this type of installation has usually been organised by residents in the past
- Children’s play area – se 2015.53 above in relation to grants
- Clean up of The Marr – Cllr Bailey confirmed that he had been in touch with HBC and will also contact Two Ridings to investigate the possibility of a grant

2015.67 Village Autumn Cleans

- Cllr Topham reported that whilst this had been carried out, attendance had been low in both villages

2015.68 Correspondence - none

2015.69 Highways

- A resident reported potholes in the area coming out of Coneythorpe
- A resident reported a broken footpath in Arkendale near the church in front of the bungalow which had caused an accident

2015.70 Fly Tipping

- None has been reported to the PC but a resident reported fly tipping on Clareton Lane near the A1

2015.71 Cllr Alton’s retirement – action on this to be agreed nearer the time

2015.72 Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda

- Church lights – whether the running cost can be met out of commuted sums/PC precept
- The Blue Bell – lighting issues

2015.73 Date and Time of next meeting

- It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 20th January instead of the 13th January in the Community Hall, Arkendale at 7.30pm. Clerk to check availability of the Community Hall

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45 pm.

Signed Dated