

GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting
held Monday 14 May 2018

Present: Councillors: Peter Ward, Janet Sugden, Derrick Evans, Alan Robinson, Kath Ashby – Clerk and several parishioners.

1. To receive apologies for absence: Cllrs Bryony Lebeter, Martin Banks, County Cllr Gillian Quinn and District Cllr Simon Myers.

2. To acknowledge those present.

3. To receive any declarations of interest: Nothing declared.

4. To confirm the minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting held Monday 9 April 2018 were accepted as a true record. Proposed by PW and seconded by DE. All in favour and accepted unanimously.

4.1 Matters Arising:

Dog fouling was briefly discussed and it was felt that the problem was not too bad at the moment. DE did however advise the meeting that this was still as bad on the Woodland Walk.

The dog bin on the canal banks is broken again and always overflowing with not only dog bags but other rubbish. The Clerk to report the matter to CDC.

PW will also speak with our grass cutting contractor to remind him to cut a path as arranged through the Woodland Walk and also the stone picking needs doing on High Green.

Two street lights were reported as still needing attention, No 95 behind Smithy Croft is still on 24/7 and No 88 on Neville Road is out again. The Clerk will notify our electrical contractor once again.

PW confirmed that a new bin would be ordered to be placed by Priest Holme Bridge.

We have been in correspondence with Jon Grey regarding the proposed trees for flood defences but the trouble is the horses owned by the Travellers eat them every time.

Our new notice boards have now been erected and look well.

The dog bin suggested for outside the school up Neville Road has not been decided upon yet.

5. Matters requested by councillors:

5.1. County Cllr Gillian Quinn: Apologies were received for this evening.

5.2 District Cllr Simon Myers: Apologies were received for this evening.

6. To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary:

6.1. AGM:

Our AGM has taken place prior to our monthly meeting and the necessary Audit paperwork will be signed this evening and sent to our external Auditors.

Peter Ward will continue as Chairman and Cllr Bryony Lebeter, Vice Chair with the two Responsible Officers, Cllr Janet Sugden and Cllr Martin Banks.

2x Representatives to attend the YLCA Branch meetings in our area, Cllr Janet Sugden and Cllr Martin Banks.

6.2 Police Report:

No report has been received by the Police this time.

6.3 Neighbourhood Plan Update:

PW advised the meeting that our final submission documents have now been sent to CDC who have acknowledged safe receipt. We were waiting for the SEA and HRA reports and these have now been received.

The developments in the village are:-

G2/2 North Street/Rear of High Street.

G2/2 Neville House/Neville Crescent.

G2/3 Paddock at Knowles House.

G2/4 Land to West of Walton Close/Marton Road.

Eshton Road – Land identified in Local Plan for NYCC Extra Care Facility.

The Local Plan includes the Eshton Road site which is earmarked for Extra Care facility by NYCC who in fact own the land in question. The building would take place on the high land beyond the small holding houses on Eshton Road.

6.4 Playground Open Day and Update:

There is still a little bit of work to do in the Playground, re-seeding of the mound and around the large tyre swing prior to the Open Day planned for Saturday 3 June 2018. The group have prepared a draft of the new signage which they brought into the office this week for approval. This signage displays all the local companies and charities who supported the project in some way or other who have helped them achieve their goal.

6.5 Public Participation:

A parishioner asked the meeting to consider a couple's request to plant some shrubs in the Playground directly behind their property.

The Clerk advised this request had been received by email and was in correspondence this evening.

It was confirmed to the meeting that the damaged pillar on the river bridge had been reported when this was discovered to NYCC Highways. They have acknowledged receipt advising they are taking advice first of all from CDC as the bridge is listed.

Another parishioner raised the matter of the Community Speed Watch programme. The lead member of the group of volunteers started off the programme and the two areas initially covered were Marton Road and Church Street. We have a gun now and we all had the training on the 6 March 2018. Could the Parish Council now make contact with the lead member to ascertain the up to date position and see how we can go about arranging the speed watch on the A65 and also Eshton Road.

Another parishioner told the meeting that the contractor has been spraying around the trees and seats. This was done on a bank holiday Monday when people and animals were present on the greens. PW agreed to speak to our contractor regarding this as this should not have taken place at that time when so many people were present.

A discussion then took place regarding the type of weed killer being used and the possible dangers of this. PW told the meeting that the Parish Council had agreed a contract and at this moment in time this is what we are committed to do.

7. To consider the planning applications and decisions:

See attached List.

8. Financial Matters:

8.1 To approve the accounts for payment.

INCOME

Honesty Boxes	106.59
Honesty Boxes	87.61
CDC Precept	23000.00
Wayleave N. Powergrid	20.00

EXPENDITURE

Wages 1	683.57
Wages 2	456.28
Village Hall Rent	152.00
YLCA Seminar	45.00
NYCC Street Lights	3460.62
NYCC VAS Signs	1920.00
Postage K Ashby	2.40
Shorrock Trichem	40.09
Cowgill – Goit work	60.00
Cowgill – Playground work	420.00
Yorkshire Water	195.68

PAYE	594.03
Audit bill	315.00

Paid in by mistake by MB
Will transfer in June £1.19

NatWest £41,697.40

DE proposed the accounts and AR seconded, all in favour and accepted.

9. To consider the following new correspondence received and decide action where necessary.

See attached list.

1. Survey to complete and return.
2. Re-connection has now to be applied for to Northern Powergrid.
11. Lease passed to JS to read through and give feedback.
12. Awaiting report back from our electrical contractor.
15. The Parish Council do not wish for any shrubs to be planted, response to be sent.

10. Notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.

11. To confirm the date of the next meeting as **Monday 11 June 2018** at the slightly later time of 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.