

KIRKBY OVERBLOW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Monday 18 March 2019
at Kirkby Overblow School

Present: Councillors D Yeadon (Chairman), R Denwood, P Perry, S Snowden and A Whiteley.
In attendance: NYCC Cllr C Trotter, Mr M Richards (Clerk) and two parishioners.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from N Rawson, and A Paraskos.

2. Members' Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest for the meeting.

3. To receive and if thought fit, approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 21 January 2019

Resolved: That the minutes of the Meeting be approved as a correct record.
Proposed by Cllr R Denwood, seconded by Cllr P Perry. The Chairman then signed the minutes.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting

Matters arising from the previous minutes were dealt with as per the agenda.

5. Questions from the Public

None.

6. To report on or consider Planning Applications/TPOs received

The clerk confirmed that no planning applications had been received, other than applications with regard to tree felling and trimming, in the Conservation Area. He had spoken with HBC Planning who confirmed that Parish Councils are not required to be consulted in these cases.

***NB** – a paper copy of a planning application re Lane End Farm, Dunkeswick had just been received immediately prior to the meeting. The Chairman will review and report back to Councillors, possibly arranging an ad hoc meeting.*

7. To report on Decision Notices received

(a) 18/05009/PBR- change of use from agricultural building to form 1 single storey dwelling at Buttersyke Farm, Walton Head Lane, Kirkby Overblow, HG3 1JA.

Prior Approval not required

(b) Appeal Ref: APP/E2734/W/18/3209306, Land off Swindon Lane, Kirkby Overblow, Harrogate

Refused

Councillors noted the above decisions. The Chairman observed that it was gratifying to see that the Inspector referred to the part played by the Parish Council and residents in his consideration of this appeal.

8. Correspondence – circulated previously with agenda papers

(a) Parish Council letter to HBC (A Lancashire) re enforcement - Swindon Lane (Enforcement Notice 16/00417/PR15) The Chairman is continuing to liaise with HBC on this matter, but as yet no action has been taken.

(b) The Chairman reported that he had had a discussion with the owner of the Star and Garter, who confirmed that he is actively seeking tenants but currently without success. Councillors discussed the potential ramifications of the continuing lack of tenants but agreed to maintain a watching brief – the Chairman will keep in touch with the owner.

9. Parish matters

- a) Parish questionnaire – draft document now completed, but is still to be finalised. Councillors decided against producing a Parish Plan as such, believing that the questionnaire is sufficiently comprehensive to produce lots of useful information of benefit to the village. Cllr Denwood confirmed that it was still intended to develop a “meeting venue” but there was a problem with the originally planned location. Further options are being considered. She suggested that an approach for funding could be made to the Lottery Heritage Fund, although this would require certain aspects, such as a display of local artefacts, educational elements and involvement of the local community, to be present. In this respect, the questionnaire would need to be slanted towards the Heritage aspects. The Chairman then asked for comments on the draft questionnaire, before it is considered further at a forthcoming meeting. Councillors will forward comments/observations to Cllr Denwood.
- b) Article 4 Direction – a resident had raised with the Chairman, the possibility of raising with HBC, the implementation of an Article 4 Direction, which would have the potential impact of restricting “permitted development” planning applications across a defined area. The Chairman will obtain professional advice on this matter before any decision is made.
- c) Annual Parish Meeting – will take place immediately before the next PC meeting on 20 May. The clerk will ensure the School hall is booked for this event.
- d) Grass cutting – three quotes were received and the lowest, from the current contractor, was approved by councillors.

10. K.O. Village Matters

- a) Tennis court – as reported previously, Almscliffe Tennis and Bowling Club (ATBC) had expressed an interest in using the court this season, whilst their additional court was being built. Councillors discussed and it was agreed that the court be made available to ATBC for one night a week (Monday) for a contribution of £100. The Chairman will contact the Club’s secretary to make this offer.
- b) Litter – a local resident was attending the meeting to report the incidence of fly tipping on Swindon Lane, adjacent to her property. On several occasions, she and her daughter had collected significant amounts of litter including nappies, plastic containers and medical items. She had reported this matter to HBC who were to make arrangements to collect litter at this location. A councillor also reported the existence of litter on Follifoot Lane. It was then decided that a Parish litter pick should be organised. Cllr Denwood will approach the School to enquire whether teachers, parents and children would like to be involved. Two possible dates were suggested, the 7th and 28th April, and Cllr Denwood will confirm the agreed date with the clerk so that he can organise supply of the litter picking equipment etc, to be loaned from HBC. (Date subsequently confirmed as 28th April – Cllr Denwood will make suitable arrangements to promulgate the event)
- c) Flooding on Swindon Lane. Water is flooding through the wall adjacent to St Helen’s and onto the road. Cllr Trotter is meeting with the NYCC Highways Officer on 26 March (at 10.30am) to discuss several issues. This matter will also be covered and the Chairman will also attend if possible.

11. Dunkeswick Matters

No new matters arising but Cllr Snowden commented that no action had been taken on the damaged wooden steps down to the River Wharfe, on the footpath from

Rougemount Wood, as reported previously. Cllr Trotter will follow up. Cllr Snowden also observed that whilst the appeal over the entrance gate to Wharfedale Grange had been dismissed, no enforcement action had as yet been taken.

12. School Activities

Cllr Denwood informed councillors that there had been a minor collision in the school gateway, involving two vehicles. There were obviously concerns about possible injury to children and the school raised the possibility of double yellow lines being applied. Cllr Trotter commented that in his experience, this would not be popular with local residents and, in any event, double yellow lines would not prevent cars turning round in the gateway. Councillors agreed and Cllr Denwood felt the best approach would be for the school to consult with parents to produce an effective solution.

13. Crime and Disorder

The crime and disorder reports are not currently being produced due to the secondment away of the PCSO. Accordingly, the clerk has reviewed the “police.uk” website which records all crimes committed nationally and has drilled down to local parish level. It is pleasing to note that there were no recorded crimes in the Parish in January. February and March data will be available for the next meeting.

14. Accounts & Services

(a) The Council received and **approved** the 2 monthly receipts and payments since the last meeting, with the bank reconciliation.

(b) The Council received and **approved** the invoices for:

M Richards Jan Salary	£211.90
M Richards Feb Salary	£211.90
Rev S. Lewis – retirement donation	£100.00
P Perry – stationery	£5.99

Two Councillors then examined the relevant bank statements and signed the covering sheet to authorise the payments.

15. Village Events

The Village Shoot scheduled for 15 June, has been rearranged to 6 July.

Rothwell Temperance Band – 11 May

Hampshire Police Male Voice Choir 19 May

The “Grand Tour” (similar to a Safari Supper) will be on 22 or 29 June

Next year’s KOSAF will be held 11 – 21 June

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Date of the next meeting - Monday 20 May 2019, following the Annual Parish Meeting, which commences at 8.00pm, at Kirkby Overblow School.