

KIRKBY OVERBLOW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Remote Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Monday 1 June 2020 via Zoom videoconferencing software

Present: Councillors D Yeadon (Chairman), Cllrs R Denwood, S Snowden, P Perry, J Cross and A Whiteley. In attendance: NYCC Cllr C Trotter, HBC Cllr A Paraskos and Mr M Richards (Clerk) and 5 residents.

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence as all councillors were present.

2. Members' Declaration of Interest

Cllr Whiteley declared an interest in item 6a) and indicated that she would take no part in the discussion.

3. To receive and if thought fit, approve the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 16 March 2020

Resolved: That the minutes of the Meeting be approved as a correct record.

Proposed by Cllr Cross, seconded by Cllr Denwood. The Chairman then signed the minutes.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes of the Meeting

Matters arising will be dealt with as part of the agenda

5. Questions from the Public

None.

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

(a) 20/01581/FUL - erection of 3 dwellings removal of 2 sheds and erection of single storey outbuilding for a Learning Resources Centre – Land adjacent to All Saints School, Walton Head Lane, Kirkby Overblow.

All members of the public present, voiced their objections, in turn, to this application and confirmed that they had submitted their objections, in writing, to the Planning Authority. The Chairman then pointed out a number of errors in the application, particularly the reference to the School, which had had no involvement in the process and that the location was off Walton Head Lane, not Follifoot Lane as originally stated. He also observed that no green site notice had been displayed. Cllr Paraskos responded that the site notice should have been in place last week but due to coronavirus restrictions and staffing shortages this had not been possible. He will contact the Case Officer to rectify the errors in the application and the missing site notice. The Chairman then ran through his suggested grounds for objection, which he had previously circulated to all councilors.

- i) Inappropriate development in the Green Belt
- ii) Although this site has been put forward for inclusion in the Village Development Plan, currently and previously, it has been rejected on both occasions.
- iii) The narrowness of Walton Head Lane makes it entirely unsuitable for access arrangements.

He also stressed that the formal objection when submitted by the clerk should clearly state that the objection related solely to the erection of three dwellings and did not refer to the School and the creation of a Learning Resources Centre. All 4

councillors confirmed their agreement with the suggested objection and the clerk will submit accordingly.

(b) 20/01631/FUL – demolition of existing industrial buildings and erection of 5 dwellings, garages and car ports – The Depot, Weeton Lane, Weeton.

Cllr Snowden had canvassed the views of local residents and had not been made aware of any objections. Indeed the feeling seemed to be that the development would improve the visual environment, particularly providing a better landscape along Weeton Lane. There was however, some concern over the capacity of the sewerage system and Yorkshire Water would need to investigate to ensure the additional housing would not overload the system. It was noted that this issue would be covered as part of the routine planning approval process. The Chairman then commented that when the developers had attended the Parish Council meeting to present their proposals, reference had been made to the possibility of providing affordable homes as part of the scheme and this did not seem to be included. He suggested reference be made to this point when responding to the application. All councillors agreed. It was also agreed to delay the response until Cllr Snowden obtained more views from local residents.

c) 20/01224/FUL - Erection of single storey outbuilding. Construction of stone boundary walls, gate and associated external works - Orchard Cottage Walton Head Lane Kirkby Overblow. Councillors had discussed and agreed “No objection”

d) 20/01391/PNA (Prior Notification Application) erection of Agricultural building - High Snape Farm, Follifoot Lane, K.O. Noted, no action by the Parish Council necessary. .

7. To report on Decision Notices received

20/00399/FUL, conversion of pole barn into woodworking workshop, Oak Lodge, Buttersyke Farm Walton Head Lane

APPROVED.

Councillors noted the above decision.

8. Parish Matters

a) Star and Garter. The Chairman mentioned the update from the Residents’ Group and its intention to produce a questionnaire to be circulated to all residents after oversight by councillors. The clerk had circulated the guidance provided by YLCA regarding the arrangements for a parish meeting and conducting a vote to determine mandatory approval or disapproval for the venture. Cllr Denwood stressed that it was imperative to follow this guidance and ensure that a clear unambiguous outcome is arrived at. It was agreed nothing further could be achieved until current restrictions are relaxed.

b) Footpaths – the Chairman summarised the action taken to resolve footpath issues raised by parishioners:

i). The damaged foot path stile down Walton Head Lane has been repaired.

ii) The foot path from Swindon Lane running down between Harefield House and Greenacres is overgrown. The Chairman has arranged for the top section of the beech hedge adjoining Harefield House to be trimmed back.

iii) The well at St Helens was considered to be untidy and overgrown. The Chairman has contacted the landowner who has agreed to take action to tidy up and clear away debris and cut back vegetation.

iv) Collapsed gate at Walton Head Lane end of the foot path linking through to Follifoot Lane. Cllr Trotter commented that this should be the responsibility of the landowner but when the Chairman confirmed that it was a right of way with no actual ownership Cllr Trotter offered a contribution for the repair from his Locality Budget. The Chairman agreed to obtain a quotation from a local contractor and liaise with Cllr Trotter. Cllr Cross also mentioned two other damaged stiles on Walton Head Lane – he will provide more details to the Chairman.

c) Website access - A new law, coming into effect from September this year, lays down specific access and operational requirements for all local authority websites, including PCs. Refining the website to comply will not be straightforward and may need professional expertise which is likely to be expensive. Based on his experience elsewhere the clerk recommended that the Council awaits NYCC and HBC's website developments, before taking action. Councillors agreed.

9. Accounts & Services

(a) Councillors **approved** the receipts and payments statement covering the period 17 March to 31 May, with the bank reconciliation, circulated previously – see below.

M Richards Jan Salary	£176.16
M Richards Feb Salary	£150.20
HMRC – PAYE	£44.04
HMRC – PAYE	£88.00
YLCA subscription	£208.00
M Richards – print cartridge	£32.00
Zurich Insurance	£336.37
HBC – tennis court rental	£49.00

10. Other matters

Cllr Snowden mentioned concerns expressed to him by local residents in Dunkeswick, about the excessive number of cyclists riding along Weeton Lane and the risks posed to other road users and pedestrians. He wondered whether warning signs could be put in place? The clerk displayed signs which had been produced for North Rigton Council and councillors agreed to consider pursuing this option if the problem persists.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.12pm

Date of next meeting Monday 13 July - to be held remotely if restrictions are not relaxed, otherwise at Kirkby Overblow School, commencing at 8.00pm.