

MINUTES OF BRANDSBY-CUM-STEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE CHOLMELEY HALL ON 7TH OCTOBER 2010

Present: Mr R Pearce (Chairman)
Mr J Ward
Mr J Eglinton
Mr R Pearson-Adams
The Clerk

Mrs C Patmore (NYCC) and Mrs C Cookman (HDC)

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Mr R Machin, No members of the Playground Committee were available.

2. **MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10TH JUNE 2010**

The Minutes of the meeting were circulated prior to the meeting. These were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

3.1 **Brandsby Village sign**

This work has now been completed.

3.2 **Village field ditch**

A quote from Unsworth & Sons has been received for doing this work. £525 plus VAT for the Parish Council field and £180 plus VAT for Alan Grainger field. This has been accepted and the Chairman will contact Mr Unsworth to start the work.

3.3 **Planning application**

It has been noted that N Bycroft's "holiday home" which should have been vacated by 7th October 2009 still being occupied by his daughter and son in law.

The clerk was asked to contact the planning department at HDC.

3.4 **Village Hall gates/repair of road**

A quote has been received from Unsworth & Sons for £2,850. Draining on the road side would have to be done plus resurfacing of the road to Cholmeley Hall.

No decision was made at the meeting on the way forward.

3.5 **Playground update**

No members of the Committee were present but some information required by the Parish Council has been received. However the councillors still require: -

- A copy of the constitution and a list of the committee members

The councillors would be grateful if they would inform the Council of the following:-

- A finance plan on how it is going to be funded
- Details of the bank account
- Drainage plan and how it will affect the land around

The councillors were fully supportive and when the above details are approved by the councillors they wished to see the project started as soon as possible.

Mr Eglinton reported that the Cholmeley Hall Committee have agreed to give the playground project £3,000 provided it is completed by 1st October 2011.

3.6 Speed Limit – Stillington Road

Mrs Patmore raised this question with NYCC. They will not extend the speed limit to include Seaves Farm and Water End. She reported that in future no speed calming measures will take place as any money available will be spent on road maintenance.

3.7 Sewerage system

The agreement for the use of this system will be signed shortly. Alan Grainger will then be paid £1,000 by the Parish Council. An invoice will be expected from Langleys for work done on behalf of Brandsby PC.

4. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Received from HDC

Proposal: Application to remove condition 6 of planning approval 2/02/0190080C

Location: Seaves Mill, Brandsby, York

Applicant: Mr P Lynas & Mrs J Lynas

BPC No observations

5. **FINANCE**

Balance of account as at 21st September 2010 - £3,323.90

Cheques issued since the last meeting: -

100195	11 June	£120.00	Clerks salary
100196	11 June	£34.28	Petty cash for the year
199197	28 Jul	£105.00	Public liability ins

Credits received: -

21 st September	£60.00	Hedge cutting
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The precept for April 2011 to March 2012 is to be £2,000 for the year.

Although there is approximately £4,000 in the account (£750 HDC credited Oct 2010) below is an indication on how it is to be spent: -

Septic tank payment	1,000
Village hall ditch clearing	525
Cholmeley Hall insurance	1,100
Road repairs to road in Chol hall	500
Donation for playground	?
Legal costs	?
	<u>£3,100</u>

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

6.1 HDC – Precept

Requirements discussed as above.

6.2 NHS – Minor Injury Services

Regarding the possibility of closure of St Monica’s Hospital, Easingwold. This will not happen as it is now under York Hospital Foundation Trust. Many doctors are against the closure of the minor injury services unit at the hospital. Nothing has been decided about this yet.

6.3 HDC – Parish Council Elections – May 2011 - Costs

HDC will charge a nominal sum of £100 for uncontested elections, because although voting does not take place there is an administrative burden of publishing notices etc.

If an election is contested then the cost would be between £500 and £4,000 but could be paid in four equal parts over four years.

6.4 Copy of letter to NYCC from the residents of Snargate

No action needed.

6.5 HDC – change of name

Ebor House is now “The Old Post Office”.

6.5 NYCC – proposed changes to the concessionary fares scheme

Information regarding proposals.

6.6 HDC – Draft Open Space, Sport and Recreation Supplementary Planning Document

Document received from HDC with areas marked on a map which are deemed to be “open space”. Apparently this was done by satellite and the areas marked are privately owned woodland and grassland

The Chairman has pointed out the errors to HDC and sent an amended plan and map of the village field opposite the Cholmeley Hall as an area in Brandsby of “open space”.

HDC have acknowledged receiving this letter.

6.7 Review of passenger Transport re buses

A letter was sent to NYCC asking whether there was any chance of a bus service through Brandsby.

A reply was received stating that there are no current plans to provide a service but there is a social car scheme which uses volunteer drivers at a charge of 40p per mile which could be utilised.

6.8 The Granary

A letter has been received from a resident of Stearsby. Some of the residents are concerned that part of this property has been converted into a self catering holiday cottage by the new owners. When this property was originally sold in 1998 the condition of sale was that it would be restricted to private use, not commercial, and would not be allowed to become a residence in its own right at any time in the future.

The clerk has written to the planning department at HDC regarding this and has received a reply that it will be looked into as soon as practicable. (No time scale given!)

6.9 Various correspondence dealt with as necessary by the Clerk.

7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 Parish field fence

This fence has been broken by Mr Johnson's cattle.

The clerk is to contact Mr Johnson to ask him to mend it.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15

Signed.....The Chairman

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