

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY
19th February 2020

	Present
Parish Councillors:	J Kennedy; N Pocklington; J Asquith; I Marr; R Ryde
District Councillors:	J Noone; M Barningham
County Councillor:	
Apologies:	J Weighell; R Ryde; C Les; A Wilkinson; C Gill

Public Question Time Notes:

The Chairman welcomed everyone and started the open forum at 7pm.

Questions:

Q1): A resident indicated that the No Dog Fouling signs near the Wenesleydale Railway where faded and could they be replaced. There has been a lot of dog fouling in the area and this may remind residents. The area around Meadowfields in Aiskew is also having problems?

A1): The Chair requested the clerk contact the Dog Warden

ACTION: Clerk to contact Dog Warden

Q2): A resident wanted to know why the Community Police Officers had not been seen around Leeming Bar which is experiencing a spate of anti-social behaviour?

A2): The police attending the meeting confirmed that they only had 2 officers and herself to deal with a large rural area. However, they are trying to be proactive. A new officer is expected in March and therefore the area covered will be from 8am – 12pm daily.

Q3): What can the community do to help ourselves?

A3): The Police responded by stating that people can sign up to the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. The Rural Watch Team is also helping and they are happy for resident to join either of these schemes. Residents need to report incidents immediately, if they see the incident happening then dial 999 otherwise report 111 asap not two days later.

The police are working with the District Council and the Police Hub has recently installed cameras outside the Co-Op. We will identify people and action will be taken against anyone causing criminal damage or anti-social behaviour. We have been made aware of the damage incurred to the shed on the Grange Road Allotments but due to weather conditions and the late reporting of the incident they are unable to take the inquiry further.

Q4): How and who will look after the planters in Leeming Bar?

A4): The Chair requested this was put on to the next meeting's agenda.

ACTION: Clerk to add to next agenda

Q5): A member of the Wenesleydale Railway stated that they are looking for a large piece of land that they can use for parking during this year's Polar Express Experience and if anyone had any suggestions they should contact Kay Whittaker (Station Master).

The Chair closed the public session and opened the Parish Meeting.

129.	<p>Welcome and Apologies The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and noted the apologies.</p>																						
130.	<p>Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest received at this stage but would be declared for any relevant items.</p>																						
131.	<p>Clerk / Councillor Matters The clerk confirmed that the Parish could now Co-opt a suitable person onto the Parish Council. A resident of Leeming Bar had come forward – Stephen Cross.</p> <p>Mr Cross who was present presented a short verbal cv.</p> <p>The Chair proposed Steve Cross Seconded by Ian Marr All Councillors in Agreed</p> <p>The Chair welcomed Steve on to the Parish Council and requested the clerk provided Mr Cross with the relevant forms to be completed. The clerk provided Mr Cross with the documentation.</p>																						
132.	<p>Minutes from all meetings dated 15th January 2020 The minutes were then accepted as a true and accurate record. Resolved</p>																						
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134.	<p>External Sector Reports</p> <p>1. <u>Police Report</u> - (See Report) The parish was advised the report was in a slightly different format. A short account of the Operation Bright which they had instigated and was put in operation in Leeming Bar last Friday. Residents were also encouraged to join the NYCC messaging and social media groups. There is a property identification marking event in the HUB on Thursday 20th 10-2pm.</p> <p>Q1) Do you feel that the reporting of incidents may benefit from a resident forum? A1) Definitely and we would be happy to attend that forum.</p> <p>Q2): Has there been any reports of damage to cars in Leeming Bar or Leeming? A2): No reports. Please encourage residents to report crimes. It may not seem that a lot is being done but we are working behind the scenes to ensure the minority that are causing the problems are dealt with.</p> <p>Q3): Please can we all ensure public awareness of events and schemes?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood watch • Talks available to youth centres on the HUB about Crime and Prisons • HUB happy to host any Forum on vandalism and the community <p>The Officers present wanted to reiterate that they were happy to work with the community in stopping the minority of youths causing the maximum damage</p> <p>2. <u>District Council Report</u> Cllr JN gave a briefing on the following projects / events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) HDC are investigating again the possibility of a cycleway from Aiskew to Bedale and the impact on Wensleydale Railway and the bridge. This is in the early stages but we will continue to inform you of developments. 2) I understand that the lighting on the bank may be near to a solution. The clerk confirmed that communication from HDC had been positive but was still awaiting further information. Action: Clerk to continue to try and resolve asap 3) Green Waste collection starts again next week. The cost is £40pa but this is the first increase since the introduction of cost for this service 4 years ago. 4) HDC are consulting about a Crematorium at Skipton-on-Swale. <p>3. <u>County Council Report</u> No Councillors available</p>
135.	<p>Local External Reports</p> <p>1. <u>HUB</u> A written report had been received and copies provided for the meeting. The following items were also commented on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Website • Nigel Jones available to discuss Polar Express parking • Leeming Bar Litter Pickers have invested in Public Liability insurance.
136.	<p>Strategic Plans by Hambleton District</p> <p><u>Industrial Estate Planning</u> The Chair stated there was no current change. A HDC councillor stated that outlining plans are to be submitted later this month with an inspection date towards the end of the year.</p>

137.	<p>Business Plan 2019/20 This is still an ongoing project with changes still to be made. A HDC councillor suggested contacting Lisa Wilson for assistance.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to contact Lisa Wilson</p>
138.	<p>Planning Applications and Decisions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 20/00187/FUL –Mr McClintock - 17 Elm Tree Lane Aiskew North Yorkshire DL8 1FL Replacement Window and Poarch No Observations / Comments 2. 20/00212/FUL – Mrs Neve - Elmdale 63B Leeming Lane Leeming Bar North Yorks Work on tree with a preservation order No Observations / Comments 3. 20/00072/FUL – Mr Cawthray - Cawingredients Limited, Caw House, Conygarth Way, Leeming Bar Business Park Removal of Trees for hard standing (Objections raised and reported to HDC) 4. 20/00122/FUL – Mr Grimston - Aiskew Villa 11 Bedale Road Aiskew North Yorkshire Change pf use of annex to holiday letting. No Observations / Comments 5. Premise use of licence (Mason’s new premises) No Observations / Comments
139.	<p>Playgrounds</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Freemans way (S106 money)</u> The Clerk confirmed that Lisa Wilson had confirmed the money will be transferred to the Parish Council Account to pay Streetscape for the Zip wire and Swing Basket. Both the items have now been installed. 2. <u>Kingfisher Play Area</u> A working group to be organised to establish if the equipment required for Kingfisher: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IM • NP • JA <p style="text-align: center;">Action: Clerk to arrange a meeting before the parish Council Meeting.</p> 3. <u>Mattison Play Area</u> Race Builders have stated that none of their employees have stated they did the damage but out of goodwill are prepared to replace the damaged part of the fence FOC. Action: Clerk to thank the company for their kind offer.
140.	<p>Allotments The letters have been sent out to all tenants. However the tenants on Plots 4 & 5 have stated the land is not useable because it is constantly flooded.</p> <p>A resident stated that the wooden edges have made channels that stop the water from dispersing and that the plots need to have the wood removed and be rotavated before another tenant could start to use the land.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to speak to Ally Marr in respect of her knowing a suitable workman to do that job. If not request Alasdair if he could assist.</p>

141.	<p>Grassing Cutting / Verges / Trees The clerk stated that the only person who has made an indication to do the work was Farm and Land Services.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to try and move this forward with other local company.</p>
142.	<p>Highways</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Leeming Bar Industrial estate road conditions (JK)</u> A letter had been received stating when the work was to be completed by Thomas Bow City Asphalt Group <u>Land between Church and Cottages on Bedale Road</u> Councillors discussed the ongoing issue and how the parking can be stopped. Action: Clerk to email Highways to find out how this can be enforced include Cllr AW <u>Public Footpaths</u> The Chair wanted to highlight the current consultation on registering Public Footpaths that are still in use across the parish.
143.	<p>WJPS The Councillors agreed to the terms.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to send the documents signed back to WJPS</p>
144.	<p>Financial Matters - To consider and make payments on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Monthly details</u> Current Barclays account is £67834.53 <u>Payments</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerks Wages • HMRC • Land and Farm Invoices • Leeming Bar Community Hub for use of facilities holding meeting. The clerk also stated that an email had been received for consideration of funding to the Bedale Youth Project of £1000pa. The Councillors agreed that they would support the project this year but could not agree an annual amount. However the project could apply for money against next year's parish precept in Oct.
145.	<p>Correspondence / Information / Other Business The following items were discussed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> RAF Leeming Additional flying 13th Feb – 14th March St Augustine's Church – ongoing re land issue Dog Fouling Aiskew Bank - should be resolved once lighting fixed. Youth Project – see item 144
146.	<p>AOB / Urgent Matter</p> <p><u>1. PSPO</u> A Councillor requested from the HDC Councillors information on the current status of the PSPO.</p>
<p>Agenda items for 17th March 2020 should be sent to the Clerk by 10th March 2020</p> <p>Meeting Closed at 8.40pm</p>	

Signed:.....

Dated:.....