



MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 27th October 2021
At Temple Fun, Leeming Bar

Present

Parish Councillors: J Kennedy; N Pocklington (Chair); Carol Gill; S Cross; I Marr;
J Proctor; P Edworthy

District Councillors: C Les

County Councillor: A Wilkinson

Clerk / Others: S Nicholson (Clerk);

Apologies: J Weighell; M Barningham;; Police J Noone;

Ref: 2021/22	Details
	<p>Public Session No residents attended the meeting.</p>
58)	<p>Welcome and Apologies The Chair thanked everyone for attendance in to the meeting.</p>
59)	<p>Declarations of Interest Cllr Kennedy declared and interest in an item and would advise at the appropriate time.</p>
60)	<p>Minutes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Minutes 15th September 2021</u> There were a couple of minor changes regarding involvement of which County Councillor should be included in various items. The minutes were then accepted as a true and accurate record. Resolved
61)	<p>Parish Councillor / Clerk Issues</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Website information</u> The Clerk stated that she had been working with WJPS who have made some changes to the Website and have put forward some ideas about items. The Clerk also advised of a WJPS open day on the 24th Nov2-4pm. Cllr JP briefed the parish about possible changes to include photo of councillors, brief description of why they are a councillor and addresses or email and phone numbers. Councillors had a full discussion and decided that some items should be at the councillors own discretion. The following was put forwards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Names and email address on website A brief description of themselves on the Website Just Clerks contact details on the Notice boards Resolved

2. Councillors attached to External bodies

Committee	Representative	Representative	Representative
TIC Committee	C Gill	xxxx	xxxx
Joint Burial Authority	S Cross	I Marr	J Proctor
Bedale Hall Trust	N Pocklington	C Gill	xxxx
Hambleton Branch YLCA	Clerk	xxxx	xxxx
Leeming Bar Charity	J Kennedy	S Cross	xxxx
Bedale & Village Community Plan Forum	J Kennedy	P Edworthy	xxxx
Four & Twenty Committee	I Marr	xxxx	xxxx

62)

External Sector Reports

1. Police Report

Nothing presented...

2. District Council Report.

Cllr CL reported on the following:

- The Hambleton MASD Grant is open.
Councillors were advised of the type of grant:-
 1. Driving Economic Vitality
 2. Enhancing Health and Wellbeing
 3. Caring for the Environment
 4. Providing a Special Place to Live

Cllr CL gave a short briefing regarding how NYCC was working alongside the Districts to ensure a smooth transfer of work to the new authority. The new authority had a 5year plan and the draft structural order for the new authority was due anytime. Staff are working across all the districts and learning best practice from everyone.

Question: Will the new authority be looking towards retaining the best services for residents or the cheapest?

Answer: At present about 26 various streams being achieved and we as stated working with each district to get the best service possible for residents.

3. County Council Report

I. COVID

Sadly Covid figures have risen once again. In a couple of weeks' time we will have half term and we hope that that will make an impact for the better. The rate that we currently are experiencing for Harrogate is the highest for any local authority area in Yorkshire. We have also seen an increase in hospital admissions with 149 beds occupied by Covid patients in hospitals serving North Yorkshire, 17 of these are in intensive care beds.

II. Bilsdale mast update

A temporary mast to provide a TV signal for hundreds of thousands of homes has been switched on. Most people will now be able to receive TV but will need to retune their TVs and a guide on how to do this can be found at <http://www.bilsdalemast.co.uk/retune-instructions>. Arqiva has set up a Help and Support Scheme for people who are still without a TV signal and need additional help. This will initially prioritise people over 65, the clinically vulnerable, and other vulnerable people with carers. People in these priority groups are encouraged to contact the Bilsdale Project Restore Support Line on Freephone number 0800 121 4828. If you work with or know people in the priority groups please encourage and support them to contact the Support Line. Engineers will be scheduled to visit people who need help retuning TVs or having an aerial repointed. Arqiva will be writing shortly to every household in areas that still can't receive TV, setting out how people can request a voucher that will enable them to purchase a TV streaming device to watch free to view TV via wifi and broadband.

III. Have your say

We regularly ask people living and working in North Yorkshire to tell us their views on specific issues or questions, which link to our key priorities. Anyone can take part in our engagement or consultation surveys and events - current consultations are [on our website](#). As around 80% of you are also North Yorkshire residents, we'd like to highlight opportunities to have your say on some major proposals that will impact the future of the county and residents in different ways.

(For example, people are being invited to give their feedback on the proposed North Yorkshire Local Area SEND Strategy, which has been developed collaboratively with North Yorkshire County Council, the county's NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups and Parent Carer Voice, which represents families with children and young people with SEND.)

IV. Foster Care

If you think your family could be a fostering family, find out more and get in touch via www.northyorks.gov.uk/fostering Online chats where you can learn more and ask questions are planned for later this month and November.

V. Call for residents to cut back overgrown trees and hedges

Residents are being urged to cut back any hedges or trees on their property that could be putting pedestrians and road users at risk.

North Yorkshire County Council's highways teams have received an increasing number of reports of pavements being obstructed and road signs obscured by overgrown trees and bushes. The local authority is responsible for making sure trees and hedges don't obstruct the highway or damage property.

Landowners and occupiers have similar responsibilities for trees and hedges on their property. They must make sure these do not obscure road signs, reduce visibility for road users or prevent people using the road or pavement safely. They are also responsible for removing dead or decaying trees and other growth, removing branches that hinder high-sided vehicles or block light from a street light, and making sure roads and pavements are clear of debris from cutting work.

For more information about the maintenance of vegetation please visit www.northyorks.gov.uk/vegetation

	<p>VI. <u>A684</u> Beginning on Monday (October 25), the County Council's highways teams will be resurfacing the A684 through the extent of the 30mph speed limit in the village. The work will last for up to two and a half weeks. Due to the nature of resurfacing the A684 in both directions will be closed during working hours of 9.30am to 3.30pm with a signed diversion in place. The major A-road which runs through Patrick Brompton is set to undergo a full resurfacing in the next stage of safety improvements financed by the Department for Transport's Safer Roads Fund. For live updates and details of the diversion please visit www.northyorks.gov.uk/roadworks-map</p> <p>The County Council was awarded £7.06m to fund a series of safety improvement projects on the A684 from Leeming Bar to Junction 37 of the M6. It was one of four successful bids to the Safer Roads Fund, which is available to local authorities to upgrade 50 A-roads identified as being the most dangerous in the country. For more details on the Safer Roads Fund bids please visit www.northyorks.gov.uk/safer-roads-fund-bids</p> <p>VII. <u>The North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel</u> will meet on Thursday, 4 November, 2021, consider the appointment of an Acting Commissioner from the staff of the Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner. An election for the Commissioner vacancy is expected to be held on 25 November, 2021, so the Panel will be looking to appoint an Acting Commissioner to undertake the role in the intervening three weeks. Cllr Carl Les, chair of the Panel, said: "Although the period for an interim Commissioner will only be a matter of weeks, it is important that the residents of York and North Yorkshire know that a person will be in post, holding the Chief Constable and Chief Fire Officer to account, and also being accountable to the community through the Panel." The live broadcast of the meeting will be available at www.northyorks.gov.uk/live-meetings</p> <p>VIII. <u>Elections.</u> Agreement aiming to align the timing of town and parish council elections with the elections in May 2022 for the new unitary council. This will reduce costs and pressure on resources at a critical point.</p>
63)	<p>Local External Committee Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Burial Board</u> Nothing to report. There is a meeting next week. 2. <u>Local Business Plan</u> The Clerk stated that a leaflet had been received regarding the Hambleton Local Plan and the proposed introduction of the new Industrial Estate site in Leeming Bar. Cllr SC stated he was still involved and would complete a response for the parish and get it approved before the 9th Nov deadline. Agreed
64)	<p>Parish Councillors Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Leech House Bench</u> Nothing further to report.

	<p>2. <u>Wensleydale Railway</u> The Chair stated that a number of councillors had attended the invitation to Wensleydale Railway and everyone was very impressed with the progress. Councillors reported that the railway are trying to be a small museum from periods from 1920 – 1950 at the Leeming Bar Railway and the other stations on the line.</p> <p>The Chair commented ted that they are trying to manage the rolling stock, shrubs and lines. They are trying to go along the Heritage concept.</p> <p><u>Polar Express</u> The councillors had been given the opportunity to have tickets but decided to decline and offer those places to children that otherwise wouldn't be able to attend. Cllr JK requested 1 ticket There are still some concerns about this regarding parking for this event and the designated areas.</p> <p><i>Question: Would it be possible for temp parking restrictions along Leases Road whilst the event is on.</i> <i>Answer: Not sure</i></p> <p>Action: Clerk to contact Tracy at WR. Include Cllr JW</p> <p>3. <u>Heron Close</u> The Clerk stated that she had got responses from Highways and Footpath at NYCC. Both had stated they had put their comments to HDC Planning and would not comment further. The Chair stated that it appears that we have done everything we can to alert various departments and they appear to be happy with the application.</p> <p>4. <u>Number of Defibulators</u> Cllr C Gill stated she is still working on this</p>
65)	<p>Planning Applications and Decisions</p> <p>1. Consultee information from Planning 20/02882/OUT Outline planning application to 88 dwellings on land at Blind lane. Cllr JP had attended the site visit and provided a short briefing to councillors prior to the meeting. There was a long discussion on the development of this site and in particular road access that at present is from roads that are not adopted by Highways.</p> <p>The other issue was regarding the CIL contribution and if this could be deferred and the contractor use that towards helping build a village hall.</p> <p>Action: Clerk Contact Highways about road not being adopted Clerk to contact HDC Planning about issues raised at the site visit about the road issues that have deferred the application. Also if CIL money can be deferred for the contractor if they are willing to help build a community hall. Include Cllr JN, Cllr MB; Cllr JW</p> <p>2. 21/01343/FUL GRANTED</p> <p>3. 21/01746/FUL GRANTED</p>

	<p>4. 21/01224/FUL GRANTED</p> <p>5. 21/02882/FUL Application to 82No. dwellings with associated landscape and parking Delegated Decision Cllr SC to respond</p>
66)	<p>Playgrounds</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Community Lottery Grant</u> The Clerk confirmed that they had received a £10K grant towards the project on Kingfisher play area, 2. <u>Kingfisher</u> The councillors had received details of the quotations received and had a discussion on the equipment offered against their expectations. Councillors requested further quotation because they did not feel those received actual meet the request for equipment that was challenging or exciting. Wanting a much higher slide and challenging equipment to climb Action: Clerk to advise companies that have quoted. Clerk to contact Image <p>A Councillor requested the clerk ask the GCH gardening to fill in some hole near the Football post and to be aware that it appears some hydraulic fluid may have been leaking from equipment. Action: Clerk to contact Contractor</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. <u>Leeming Bar Play Area</u> The parish councillors discussed various options regarding equipment for the play area but then decided on the Combine Harvester quotation from Streetscape. Action: Clerk to inform Streetscape of decision
67)	<p>Highways</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Potland Trees</u> The councillors discussed the ongoing situation about wanting to plant cherry trees and a protective fence on Potlands. Cllr AW was not sure if the North Yorkshire plant a tree for the Jubilee under the Queen’s canopy scheme allowed for more than one tree. However, after further discussion it was felt that a meeting with an Engineer from Highways and Cllr AW and the clerk could be a way forward. Action: Clerk to arrange meeting with Highways Engineer and Cllr AW 2. <u>Anti – Pigeon measures installed</u> Completed 3. <u>Parking Opposite Alpha possible Double Yellow Lines</u> The councillors discussed the dangerous parking opposite Alpha Dental Surgery where vehicles are parking on the cobbles and the pavement thereby not allowing pedestrians to get by. Everyone agreed that this was a really safety issue and that all agencies should be aware and stop this Action: Clerk to contact police, Cllr AW and Highways

	<p>4. <u>Aiskew bank</u> The Chair raised an issue about signage for cyclist not to use Aiskew bank but to use Ascough Wynd because the bank was dangerous with a serious accident to a cyclist last week. The other issue is a large bush growing out of the bank across the road.</p> <p>The hedges have been cut on the bank but this has not improved the lighting and a resident suggested a 500mm swan neck extension to the light to improve lighting on the path.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to contact highways about signage and the bush Clerk to contact Cllr MB regarding light</p>
68)	<p>Financial Matters - To consider and make payments on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Monthly Summary including Payments</u> Clerk had provided a hard copy of the accounts prior to the meeting but also gave a verbal account of the payments being made. 2. <u>Online banking</u> On-going <p>Action Clerk to move this forward asap</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. <u>Budget / Precept</u> A draft budget had been sent to councillors prior to the meeting. However they wanted longer to reflect on the figures provided. <p>Action Clerk to add to next agenda</p>
69)	<p>AOB / Correspondence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Back Lane Parking</u> A number of councillors stated that they have walked around that area but have not seen any bad parking. <p>Action: Clerk to write to the resident and suggest that they contact the police when obstructions are made to their land.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. <u>PSPO</u> This had been raised after the agenda had been agreed. The clerk stated that she had contacted Lisa Wilson at HDC and they had agreed to extend the consultation period allowing councillors time to respond. The initial reply by Cllr SC will be sent to all councillors for approval or amendment. <p>Action: Clerk to forward all paperwork to parish councillors for a response.</p>

Meeting Closed at 8.50pm

Signed:.....

Dated:.....