

YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th March 2024

Present: Councillors: Mick Ashforth, Ken Clayton, Graham Elliott (Chair), Dee Frith, Leah Goodwin, Sue Hallam and Andrew McCloy

In attendance: Matthew Lovell – Clerk + 3 members of the public

3367 Apologies for Absence

Council accepted apologies from Cllrs Nicola Humphreys, Ann Blenkinsopp – late arrival at 1377 and Richard Roper

3368 Variation of order of business and Clerk's request for time constrained items

No variations required.

3369 Declaration of Members Interests

No interests required declaration.

3370 Public Speaking

- a) Public – a New Road resident reiterated opposition to New Road becoming a PROW and proposed their idea that the playing fields be fenced to provide a corridor for walkers which Council would be unable to consider under the ownership conditions of Fields in Trust.
- b) County Councillor Simon Spencer sent apologies.
PCSO Boswell reported one public order offence and noted the current priorities are Road safety – ticketing on Alport hill is currently discouraging illegal parking on solid white centre line locations, fear of burglary after a spate of burglaries in Hope Valley and more recently Baslow. A question on obstruction received the response that the blockage has to be impassable and the person blocked must remain on scene and await the police. PCSOs cannot deal with this, PC only of which we have one for the area unless a patrol car is available. He noted that dedicated car parks and yellow lines appear the only solution.

District Councillor Laura Mellstrom noted the maximum increase has been set on their budget and that second homes will be taxed double from 2025. Platform Housing has received her written complaint on the 3 unresolved areas – grit bin refills, Westcroft road surface and the wall on Moor Lane which will be upgraded to a formal complaint if no response is received within 5 days ie early next week.

3371 To confirm the Non-exempt minutes of the previous council

RESOLVED to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 27th February 2024

3372 To determine which if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded – commercially sensitive item

3373 Planning decisions/applications received since last meeting. Planning related matters
Decisions received: NP/DDD/1123/1321 Mulberry Cottage Listed door replacement - granted

Planning Applications for discussion:

NP/DDD/0224/0232 – 3 Barn Flat, Workshop – Timber cladding etc

Council supports this application as a major improvement over the unsightly davey blocks.

NP/DDD/0324/0258 – Telephone exchange - Retrospective consent for the installation of a new cabinet structure

No comment submitted

NP/DDD/0324/0158 Fountain View Cottage - Listed Building consent - Replacing internal doors with 30 min fire doors and replacing door frames where necessary.

Council supports the decision of Conservation Officers.

Other: guidance from planners on 28 day rule for regular events at Sidenooks Plantation and in general on campervan/motorhome parking notes that 28 days can be individual. The new enforcement case portal is address based so needs amending as barns and woods have no basis of reference even when point pointed on their map.

3374 Footpaths and Highways

No news on resurfacing. Highways confirms one 30mph sign at Moor Lane and Conksbury Lane meets legislation for this class of road. A graffiti incident was attended to by DCC within 24 hours. The parking bay at the school is not a DCC priority at this time and needs more evidence and until alternative parking is found displacement is DCC excuse for doing nothing on lines. Village Gateways discussed in conjunction with the 30 mph signs have not been offered by DCC.

3375 Report from Village organisation representatives:

Village Hall – the roof is to be coated to make watertight with a 20 year guarantee and next year's pantomime is being planned.

CLT- nothing to report. WEF – no news. Community Speed Watch – needs members

Reading Room – No report. Scout and Community Youth Hall – no report

Waterworks – is expecting the new project to be completed as soon as the weather allows. New bills have been sent to the printer and bad debts being finalised for TDR

Bowls Club – starts on 30th March and has had a 3 seat recycled bench donated by W Twigg Ltd

Horticultural Show – is trying to establish the pedigree of its trophies.

Well Dressing – AGM next week and has applied for road closure.

3376 Report of the Clerk / update on: -

- a) Charity 520537 assets: the legal transfer awaits the blessing of the Charity Commission.

Playing Fields – ALPF – Youth Club equipment is being advertised for return or new homes. The annual inspection shows rot in one toddler slide post and this is being investigated for replacement rather than condemn the item. Clerk is meeting the farmer to discuss the state of our boundary tomorrow and will get a price for repairs. No contract prices yet received for the spraying.

HLTB – the electric upgrade with auto locks is complete and the Police Grant completion paperwork sent. Light sensor replaced and door closer being swapped.

- (b) CE Car park/field, Allotments, grit and other assets

Allotments – vacancy advert to Bugle. CE Car Park- ok. CE Toilet Block – ok. Defibrillators – all ok, CCTV operational.

- (c) Designated Premises licence supervisor – our premises licence allows us to hold events where alcohol is served but the licence holder is no longer in the village. Council agreed that as the holder does not have to attend every event it should be the current Parish Clerk but that Council will require every event to have a nominated person attending who will be accountable to us for supervising the evening – preferably with their own licence. Commercial hires will be required to provide their own licence.

- (d) Footpath alterations evidence –the PDNPA officer has met with DCC and is reporting back to the clerk later this week on progress made.

- (e) Traffic and Parking progress report

A survey is going out with a future Bugle.

- (f) Sports Pavilion sub-committee report

The first architect meeting took place yesterday and a second is on Friday. A report from the meeting was circulated to councillors with an outline of the steps we need to take.

3377 Land for Car Parks

A query from the public regarding purchasing the land on the edge of Conksbury Lane was deemed too far from the village for use by locals and questionable as to whether visitors especially those visiting Bradford Dale would walk that far. The site in question is too sloped

for our use and access onto the single track road would be a Highways issue. Whilst this auction is too short a timescale for consideration, Councillors noted the need to reapproach landowners to see if a roadside section could be found. Whether this is something for the CLT to consider needs clarifying.

3378 Items for Information

DALC – news and training, circulated but no matters arising

3379 Finance

a) Resolved to approve the following:

Cheque No	Payee		vat
ubd	HM Lovell (Mar)	£741.55	
ddr	NEST (Mar)	£66.94	
ubd	Yorkshire Purchasing loo rolls	£131.87	£26.37
ubd	Waterplus HLTB	£197.29	
ubd	E Lowe (Mar inc 1 alp)	£220.00	
ubd	A Wilson hltb electrids	£397.50	
ubd	EDF 2 block monthly ddr	£40.95	2.05
ubd	BG CE electric	£35.02	1.75
ubd	HM Lovell (expenses Mar)	£23.36	
ubd	HMRC paye	£562.17	
ddr	Unity charges	£18.00	

Income

Allotments £164.00 DCC Footpaths grant £110.00 HB CE £300.19 ALPF £21.69 HLTB £62.69

(b) Budget Appraisal/Risk Assessment

Balance @ 19 th March	CoOp	£1439.98
	CoOp Dep	£5105.19
	Unity current account	£6493.60
	Unity savings account	£10359.24

3380 Date of next meeting – 30th April 2024 Village Hall Community Room at 7:15pm

Exempt Items –

3381 Commercially Sensitive Opinion

Council has been approached for its views on a potential planning application which may positively impact on traffic. Councillors gave a cautious welcome to this project although traffic movements will still be an issue and look forward to the application being submitted to allow public comment.

The meeting closed at 8:44 pm