

Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

Minutes of meeting – 18:02:2010 at 7.30pm.

Present – Mr Alexander, Mrs Booth, Mr Tubby, Mr Peirson, Mrs Herbert and six residents.

1. Apologies – There were no apologies.

2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 18th January 2010 were accepted and signed.

3. Minutes of the Sub-Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8th February 2010 were accepted and signed.

4. Matters for Report –

(a) Item 5 (1) Gritting – response from NYCC to confirm that the original gritting schedule was now in place. It was agreed to reconsider this issue in August.

(b) Item 5 (4) Allotment survey – a poster is now displayed in the Village Shop to ascertain interest.

(c) Item 12 (4) Red Brick Bridge, Langton Lane – repairs have now started.

(d) Item 12 (5) The clerk had produced a ‘welcome’ letter for approval. It was agreed to deliver this to new residents, councillors to keep the clerk informed.

(e) Item 12 (6) The fly tipping had been cleared.

(f) Item 5 (2) Cllr Booth had attended the meeting at Lakeside and reported that it was intended that a presentation would be held by Tarmac in Kirkby Fleetham at a later date.

5. Burial Ground –

Cllr Alexander reported that a meeting of the Burial Authority had been held on the 8th February to discuss the operation of the Burial Ground, when the Vicar had been invited to attend. The Vicar had agreed to look into the issue of consecration of the ground and report back. Cllr Booth reported that she had now asked HDC for the price for the plans they had provided and the cost of providing an A1 mastercopy on parchment paper. Mr Barker was requested to continue cutting the initial grave area and the verges as last year and he agreed. Cllr Peirson offered to look into the possibility of providing a noticeboard and this was accepted.

6. Correspondence-

Great North Air Ambulance – request for donation. It was agreed that, with reluctance, the Parish Council was unable to help (0102/10); NSPCC – request to display leaflet, agreed (0202/10); Kirkby Fleetham and District Floral and Horticultural Society – ‘Uniting the Community’ Newsletter (0302/10); SCR Landscapes - quotation offer (0402/10); Play and Leisure – developing play areas information (0502/10); Letter requesting permission to install water pipes across The Green, Kirkby Fleetham (0602/10); NYCC notification of road closure, C40 at Scruton, on 23rd and 24th March 2010. Cllr Alexander suggested that as Langton Lane was already closed the clerk should contact Highways Dept to suggest that this should be delayed. This was agreed (0702/10); Copy of letter sent to NYCC by a resident re gritting- clerk to respond expressing thanks for their concern (1002/10); Richmond District Council – Parish Council Survey - clerk to complete (1102/10); Energy Saving Trust – joining green communities – circulated (1202/10); HDC Meetings of Area Forums – Bedale Area Forum, Tuesday 30th March at 7pm in Bedale Hall. Cllr Tubby to attend. Cllr Alexander requested clarification over which area included the parish as documentation was confused. (1302/10); Scorton Parish Council – Tarmac restoration plans, Ellerton-on-Swale and Killerby. Agreed to support subject to planning and further details (1402/10); Request for agenda item . Agreed to reconsider the issue in the autumn (1502/10); YLCA – Hambleton Local Branch Meeting –Wednesday, 17th March, 2010 at 7.30pm at Stone Cross, agendas and minutes included (1602/10).

Also circulated:

Play and Leisure – catalogues (0502/10); Rural Action Yorkshire ‘Country Air’ (0802/10); ABC Team – Play equipment catalogue (0902/10).

7. Finance

It was resolved to pay the following and cheques were signed accordingly:

C.A. Mitton £ 86.72 wages (chq 401).

Classic Graphic Signmakers £47.00 for ‘No Parking’ signs (chq 402).

R. Barker £20.44 for mole control work in Kirkby Fleetham (chq 403).

8. Planning –

a) Outcomes

There were no outcomes.

b) Applications

09/04030/FUL Construction of detached dwelling and garage as amended by plans received by Hambleton District Council on 11th February 2010, 3 Kirkby Lane, Kirkby Fleetham, Northallerton, DL7 0SG.

Following much discussion it was agreed to recommend refusal for a number of issues including:

Over-development in a conservation area

The scale of the development is out of scale with the nearest buildings

It is too close to adjacent houses

The roots of remaining trees are likely to be damaged

The unacceptable increase in traffic in the area and the increased risk of flooding.

Concern was also expressed about the fact that notices had again failed to be displayed correctly. The clerk to write to HDC Planning about this issue.

10/00160/FUL Construction of a store/stable, formation of a ménage .

In order to comply with the date for consultation, following discussion with Councillors the clerk had responded that the Parish Council had no objections to this development.

9. Parking on the Green, Great Fencote –

The clerk reported that 'No Parking' signs had been erected.

10. Affordable Housing –

The Rural Housing Enabler had informed the clerk that Hambleton's Planning Officer had advised that the potential site at 'The Hatchery' would not be suitable because of the visual impact of development on open landscape and it was not an ideal location to access services in Kirkby Fleetham. The Enabler offered to display notices in Kirkby Fleetham for landowners to come forward. Cllr Booth felt that it would be more successful if landowners were approached directly and given clear explanations of what was involved. The clerk was asked to request more details for this. The Enabler also suggested that it may be possible to approach Scruton Parish Council to see if Kirkby Fleetham's need could be incorporated with theirs. It was agreed to pursue this suggestion further.

11. Children's Play Area on the Village Green, Kirkby Fleetham –

Cllr Peirson reported that he had not been able to track Mr Lawson down as yet but would continue to try. It was agreed that Cllr Herbert should contact the Legal Dept. at HDC to see how to proceed to gain permission.

12. Emergency Plan –

This had been considered at the sub-committee held on 8th February and progress was being made.

13. Web-Site –

This continues to develop. Cllr Booth asked if anyone could provide a wide-angle picture of Kirkby Fleetham village green.

14. Water Supply –

A request had been received for permission to replace the water supply to properties on Village View and The Close. The pipes cross the village green. Mr Lawson had been informed and, as there had been no objection from him, it was agreed to grant permission.

12. Any Other Business –

Brick Bridge, Langton Lane – Cllr Herbert expressed concern about the rate of progress on this repair. It was agreed to monitor closely.

Dog Fouling – Cllr Herbert reported that there seemed to have been an increase in this problem. HDC had provided a number of new signs and it was agreed to display them around the three villages.

Replacement tree – Cllr Booth reported that the oak tree, planted to replace the felled lime tree, needed a larger stake and a branch needed pruning.

Planning – Cllr Alexander requested that the clerk contact the Planning Dept. to suggest that, following the new LDF, Parish Councillors should be offered some tuition in its use.

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 18th March 2010 at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.

