

KIRKBY MALHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes (272) for Monday September 5th 2016 @ 7.30pm

Present – C Wildman, P Dewhurst, N Heseltine, A Bradley, M Throup and T Bullough

Observing – R & J Thacker, R Ingham, L & M Parker, R & M Rand, A Cooper, J Rogers, J Moon, A Heseltine, C Kilner, and Cllr A Sutcliffe (left 20.15)

ROUTINE BUSINESS

1. Public Questions – none.

2. Apologies

P Wherity and S Marshall (County Councillor).

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Were approved – prop. M Throup; sec. N Heseltine.

4. Matters Arising

CW to chase up legal docs relating to Village Green dispute followed by a Sub Committee meeting. **This is ongoing.**

PD to change T Bullough's address on the relevant database at CDC. **Actioned by PD.**

PD to add parking to monthly agenda. **Parking now a fixed agenda item after County Councillor's report and District Councillor's report.**

Actions from last month, plus;

- The dog poo bins matter was discussed, particularly in reference to the double bin sited near the field car park by the ford across the river. It was discussed that the existing double bin should be changed to a specific dog poo bin and this will be requested by P Dewhurst.
- Cllr Sutcliffe confirmed that the plastic bag collection due to be phased out in January 2017 has now been put back to March 2017. Cllr. Sutcliffe also confirmed that waxed tetra pack type cartons can now go in with any other plastic glass recycling in the relevant domestic bin.
- CW to continue to chase up grants for The Plantation and Village Green Projects. **Ongoing.**
- CW to contact CDC to explain the bin situation and swap large dual bin for smaller dog waste specific bins. **PD has picked up this point.**

- CW to continue to chase David Charnley re notice board quote. **CW has some progress to report.**
- PW to contact A Boatwright about seat replacement on Kirkby Malham Village Green. **Update report awaited.**
- PW to talk to B Jackson about pothole. **Update report awaited from PW.**
- PW to write to Highways about manhole cover. **PW has actioned this point.**

5. Council Matters

Council vacancy in Malham – progress report from CW to be provided.

T Bullough has changed his address and passed new address to PD for notification to CDC – Democratic Services.

No other changes report from PC members.

6. Parking Strategy for Malham

Ongoing discussion and action required.

Parking has continued to be very busy but helped over recent (August) busy holiday period around Malham Show and Bank Holiday weekend by car park fields being in use.

The parking warden was in Malham Village on Sunday 4th September but at a very early time, leaving Village by 10.30am.

Some vehicles parking up on the double sets has resulted in damage to the sets along Malham motorway. **PW and CW to arrange necessary repairs to the double sets with David Hargreaves as soon as possible.**

CW commented that historically Parish Council has been reluctant to have excessive use of yellow lines in Malham Village. Question raised of whether the solution is to actually discourage the number of visitors or to try and provide solutions that will allow Malham to cope with increasing visitor numbers and car numbers (?).

Ideas/solutions were discussed. One suggestion was to consider a community wide survey but this was felt not to be the correct approach. Wider use of a selection of fields opening alternately to ease parking problem bearing in mind accessibility to the fields and their location/accessibility to vehicles arriving in Malham. Possibility of a residents parking permit was raised and it was pointed out by CW that this already existed in relation to the National Parks car park.

Double sets are to be considered (quote required) for the other side of Malham motorway. It was thought that this would help to discourage vehicles parking up on the grass there in between the no parking bollards. Specific thanks was again given to Roger Rand for placing these bollards each week and it was acknowledged that this generous time/effort support by a parishioner was not really a long term solution hence the double sets discussion. **Quote for cost of double sets to be obtained.**

Double yellow lines to be considered on Finkle Street all the way up to (stopping at) Cherry Tree Cottage. **This is a potential action point.**

CW will raise parking concerns on Malhamdale website in order to raise profile of this major issue for visitors who look at the Malhamdale website.

It was agreed to move this agenda item (parking strategy for Malham) to Point 8 after County Councillor's report and District Councillor's report to allow these Councillors to leave the meeting at a sensible, opportune time.

7. County Councillor's Report

No report this month

8. District Councillor's Report

A Sutcliffe reported that a special committee meeting being held on 06.09.2016 re Local Plan. This is a 200+ page document. Arrangements for parish conservation areas of special interest in relation to parishes and Cllr Sutcliffe confirmed one such special interest location in Gargrave.

Government focus and resources are naturally being channelled towards Brexit matters at the current time so resources (financial and human) are lighter for local plan issues.

Press release about £30m regeneration scheme thought to be 'pie in the sky' but developments awaited.

Policy Committee has awarded £25,000 to explore whether it is feasible to get a joint project/scheme together.

The PC thanked Cllr Sutcliffe for his monthly contribution and at this point Cllr Sutcliffe left the meeting.

9. Planning

(i) Beck Hall – lengthy discussion and unanimous agreement of PC to object to this application on the grounds that it was not in keeping, scale is overpowering/disruptive and not sympathetic to visual amenity of this building. PC to query with YDNPA - Planning if Beck Hall is a listed building.

PD will submit response to YDNPA - Planning Department accordingly.

(ii) Yeoman's Cottage, Kirkby Malham – PC agreed that it did not object to this planning application and would therefore provide a no comment, no objection response.

PD to provide response from PC to YDNPA – Planning Department.

10. Finance

Item deferred to October 2016 meeting as Treasurer (PW) away.

11. Community

(a) Brochure – now exhausted initial stock. Reclaimed some stock from the distributor. This suggests more effective distribution has been achieved in this current year.

(b) Village Green – comment made that it looks a lot better now grass has grown. Double sets required on Village Green side of road. **CW/PW to ask David Hargreaves to quote for this work. If he is unavailable then we could approach Darwin/Tiplady or John/Jim Throup (?).**

(c) Traffic & Transport – Noted that Malham to Arncliffe road is closed below High Trenhouse. Closed for one month from 15th September 2016 for highway repairs.

Pothole below Malham school still there but has been highlighted with White paint so repair possibly imminent.

Overhanging trees noted by Malham school and on Finkle Street. **Highways to be notified.**

(d) Superfast Broadband – no specific comments.

(e) Offer by visitor to have a Shakespearian quote inscripted on a stone and located somewhere in Malhamdale. **This was given a favourable, supportive reaction and CW will progress.**

12. Malhamdale Emergency Plan – Ongoing.

13. Environment – Nothing to report.

14. Correspondence – Nothing to report.

15. AOB – regarding Malham Chapel: Maggie Pratchett, rural worker would like to come to a PC meeting to explain what ideas they have for Malham Chapel. Malham Chapel has handed over responsibility to the circuit and one plan/proposal is to remove all seats/pews and put in place a labyrinth pattern plan of Malham on the floor. Plus other community inclusive ideas. **It was confirmed that the PC would welcome Maggie Pratchett's approach and attendance at a future PC meeting. This position is to be conveyed to Maggie Pratchett by the observer in attendance at the PC meeting who raised this point.**

Actions for this Month

- Damage to double sets on motorway stretch of road need repairing. PW/CW to discuss and arrange with David Hargreaves.
- Highlight concerns over parking on Malhamdale website. CW to action.
- Move parking strategy for Malham from agenda item 6 to agenda item 8 in future agendas. PD to action.

- Overhanging trees by Malham school and on Finkle Street to be reported to highways. PD to action this.
- Planning responses to YDNPA – Planning Department – PD to confirm Parish Council’s views and comments.
- Potential replacement of double litter bin by ford/field car park. PD to contact CDC.

Next Meeting: Monday 3rd October 2016

P Dewhurst gave his advance apologies