

Kirkby Malhamdale Parish Council

Minutes (289) for Monday 5th February, 2018

Present – J Thacker, C Newhouse, T Bullough, P Dewhurst, A Bradley, N Heseltine (Chair), M Throup

Observing – M + SJ Harrop, M Wilson, A Heseltine, L + M Parker, L Wood, S Tod

1. Public Questions

None

2. Apologies

Apologies received from C Wildman, Cllr Quinn, Cllr Sutcliffe, P Wherity

3. Minutes of the meeting held on the January

Approved by C Newhouse and seconded by Tony Bullough.

4. Matters arising / outstanding actions from January minutes

- 02/10/17 – CW advised A. Donald needs dimensions of light boxes to complete light fittings on toilet block.
- 02/10/17 - CW to look at plaque in Plantation re historic donation to the village- minutes of Parish Meeting from 1935 have been sourced and wording will be used to create memorial.
- 02/10/17 - PJ advises artist Richard Watts has been commissioned to complete the memorial. CW meeting PJ in the new year to progress.
- 02/10/17 - CW to contact bus company re damage to wall at public toilets - CW has made contact but bus company not responded.
- 02/10/17 - Parish Council to look at remedial work on village green area next to the Smithy
- 02/10/17 - CW and NH to meet with owners of Eastwood House re hedge and fence
- 02/10/17 - Further to meeting with owners of Eastwood House, PD to follow up with letter confirming agreed outcome.
- 02/10/17 - PD to chase CDC again about emptying dog bin on Cove Path - PD has been asked to submit a site map. No feedback
- 02/10/17 - PD to submit plan for application of double yellow lines from old café opposite Listers up to Cherry Tree cottages. Meeting CDC early February.

This meeting went ahead between Phil Dewhurst and David Cairns. There was a comprehensive update on yellow lines, resurfacing etc. L Wood asked to be updated if the roads were to be closed. All agreed to wait until April re Finkle Street but prepared to fund if necessary. To firm up our proposal by next Parish Council meeting. David Cairns suggested we install 'police' parking signs on Finkle Street and the 'motorway'. The Parkers volunteered to create these signs. David Cairns to request parking services to come out and ticket.

- 02/10/17 - PD to contact Highways re gritting up to junction past Cherry Tree cottages. Email been sent, awaiting response.
- 02/10/17 - PD to establish policies for climbing, abseiling, drones and filming.
- 02/10/17 - PD to contact highways re sunken grate on road from Gordale to Lee Gate and large potholes near Gordale Bridge. Part of the road re surfaced
- 02/10/17 - A Bradley to make fixings for new parking signs. This is being progressed
- 02/10/17 - A Bradley to complete gold lettering on Malham stone at entrance to village at material cost of approx £50. This is weather dependant, will be done in the New Year.
- 02/10/17 - Cllr Quinn to check when Malhamdale gullies had last been cleared. These have been cleared recently.
- 02/10/17 - Cllr Quinn to follow up on repair to cattle grid between Arncliffe and Darnbrook. The work will start April/May and there will be a road closure for 4 to 5 weeks.
- 02/10/17 - L Hodson to bring back design for village entrance sign to Kirkby Malham
- 02/10/17 - NH / MT to contact B Sutcliffe re mole removal on the village green. David Newhouse removed the village green moles.
- 06/11/17 - CW to source wooden 'no parking' signs by December meeting. 10 have been ordered
- 04/12/17 – CW to set up meeting with YDNP re waymarkers etc.
- 04/12/17 – CW to purchase new set of traffic cones
- 04/12/17 – Parish Councillors to give ideas to CW as to replacement for lengths man
- 04/12/17 – L. Parker to purchase naturalised daffodils for 2018 planting. Volunteers will be needed
- 04/12/17 – PD to contact Highways about blocked culvert at Cockthorne/ Back Lane in Kirkby Malham
- 04/12/17 – PD to follow up with Environmental Agency re concerns about Beck Hall development once contact details received from NH. A. Bradley reported that the stream had gone cloudy and sheets of plywood had been floating downstream. M Harrop had removed 3 sheets today. NH to follow up with Environment Agency regarding these latest concerns.

5. Council Matters

None

6. County Councillors Report

Cllr Quinn had submitted an email report on various matters. Phil Dewhurst read out the content to the assembled meeting. M Harrop asked if these links could be put on the Malhamdale website / Facebook page. Phil Dewhurst to follow up.

7. District Councillors Report

Nothing to report

8. Comment and input from YDNP

Nothing to report

9. Parking Strategy for Malham

M Wilson said it had been a busy weekend with cars parked on places they shouldn't. NH informed the meeting that Chris Wildman has got the SDF forms to complete and that we should set a date to have a bid writing session on CW return to get the bid submitted. JT volunteered to assist. The funds are needed for a feasibility study. Concerns were raised about potential outcome of any such feasibility study; however the consensus was that an independent report would have validity for external credibility.

10. Planning

a/ Decisions by YDNP

Nothing to report

b/ New Applications

Multi fuel wood burning stove at Scalegill Mill. The meeting agreed to support the application

c/ Other planning business

None

11. Finance

No 1 account - £ 9135.09

No 2 account - £ 20511.47

An increase of £387.28 on No 2 account from the previous month, largely due to the milk kit income.

12. Community

(a) LAFSC & Brochure

The Parish Council expressed their thanks to Roger Rand for putting out the parking cones over the last two years. A Boatwright had now taken over the task. Phil Dewhurst to write and express our sincere thanks.

(b) Village Green

Thank you to David Newhouse for removing the mole on the village green

(c) Traffic + Transport –

L Wood raised the issue of lowering the speed limit to 20 mph through Malham Village due to lack of footpaths. Phil Dewhurst to follow up. Following up from the last PC meeting, Phil Dewhurst had enquired about having salt bins. Agreed we should purchase 5 bins and agreed to 1 fill initially. These would be located on Hanlith Lane; near Kirkby Malham Church; on Finkle Street; near New Bridge and one near the ‘Safari’ barn on the common ground.

(d) Maintenance and Repair Issues

Already covered in previous sections.

13. Malhamdale Emergency Plan

M Harrop presented the latest version of the Malham Emergency Plan and our journey to date in its creation. Flooding, road traffic collision, power cuts, environmental incident are four areas we might experience disruption. We would provide immediate support and not long term support as this would be the role of the NYCC emergency response team. Mike talked those present through the plan. Sandbags will be provided by NYCC and positioned at probably Listers Barn and the Visitor Centre. A desk top scenario will be planned for in late March so that all those named in the MEP can be familiar with their roles and to see if the plan works! A further emergency planning session will be organised with NYCC/ Craven District Council later in the year. Neil Heseltine thanked Mike and Joyce for their work to date on the plan. It is good to note the number of volunteers who have come forward to offer their services should a crisis occur.

14. Environment –

S Tod expressed his thanks to L Wood and the rota team for keeping the 3rd most popular walk in Britain free of dog poo! Concern however at our dog poo going to landfill. One possible solution is the K9 Gaslight. This has been developed by an engineer in Malvern and a company specialising in bio digesters. The methane generated powers a 1950’s style gaslight. The surplus is usable for fertiliser. We

were interested in locating the gas light at the public toilets. We note the concerns about introducing street lights to the village and we don't want to spoil our dark skies. Positives would be introducing a new technology to the area. There would be a capital and maintenance cost. We would apply to the SDF for the capital cost and hope the Parish Council could fund the running cost. Another issue is the anaerobic digester would only use paper bags and not plastic. We would seek to supply paper bags free of charge from dispensers. The inventor, Brian Harper, is coming to Malham on Friday February 9th. A meeting with Brian Harper will be held at the Listers. Neil Heseltine welcomed S Tods input and asked for a progress report at the next meeting.

15. Correspondence –

Brochure has been received about Settle Stories Festival in 2018. Over 70 events taking place over the weekend 6th – 8th April.

16. Any other business

- (a) M Wilson raised concerns about the signage at the public toilets. The Parish Council assured him the signs would be visible once the lights were installed. NH assumed the lights would be on a timer.
- (b) Carol Newhouse asked if a new donations box was needed in the public toilets. P Wherity was following up with A Boatwright

Date of Next Meeting: 5th March 2018

Subsequent meetings: 9th April, 14th May, 4th June, 2nd July, 3rd September, 1st October, 5th November, 3rd December

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- 05/02/18 – NH to follow up with Environment Agency re concerns about the beck, the cloudy condition of the water, recent plywood debris in the water and how they are monitoring, and how often, the situation.
- 05/02/18 – PD to firm up proposal for double yellow lines up Finkle Street by 5 March in readiness for submission to CDC in April.
- 05/02/18 – L+M Parker volunteered to create 'police' parking signs for the 'motorway' and Finkle Street.
- 05/02/18 – PD to put NYCC weather links (as advised by Cllr Quinn) onto Malhamdale facebook page or website
- 05/02/18 – NH/CW to agree bid writing date for SDF funding for Parking Feasibility Study
- 05/02/18 – PD to write to R Rand
- 05/02/18 – PD to follow up the possibility of having the speed limit reduced to 20mph through Malham Village
- 05/02/18 – PD to purchase and have filled 5 salt bins.
- 05/02/18 – S Tod to bring K9 Gaslight progress update to 5/03/18 PC meeting