

## Draft Minutes (346) of Kirkbymalhamdale Parish Council Meeting - Mon. 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Attending** P.Wherity , C Wildman, P. Dewhurst ,D. Howlett, S.Inman, N Heseltine, M. Throup, M. Harrop

**Apologies** A. Bradley.

**Observing** Cllr Myers M. Parker, P.Cummings , S. Stevenson, R.Hudson, and M.Wilson

### Public questions

none

### Minutes of the last meeting

were approved by MH and seconded by CW

### Matters arising

none

### Council matters

Nothing new.

### Update from Councillor S.Myers

The Government has agreed that a new hospital at Airedale will be built, there is sufficient land within the current hospital grounds. NYCC plan to build between 500 and 1000 new council houses and it's hoped that some may be in the YDNP.

### Traffic Management

PD has drafted a letter to the residents of the Parish outlining the plan for the entrance to the village. This will be published on village noticeboards, social media and possibly in The Parish Magazine.

### Update from the National Trust

There have been lots of problems with litter from picnics and BBQs on NT land and in Gordale and parts of Malham. The NT are aware of this but are currently understaffed and rangers don't work in the evenings or at weekends. No more news about the future of the Field Centre. DH will write to the Trust and ask for an update.

### **MH will talk to H's about the sale of disposable BBQs in Malham.**

Water in The Tarn has been lowered temporarily to allow work on the retaining dam.

### YDNP update

nothing new.

### Planning

Plans for an internal lift at Hanlith Hall Farm and visitor signage from the NT have been approved.

We had a discussion about the plans to increase the number of days from 28 to 56 that the fields could be open for parking. This would set a precedent for the YDNP but this was allowed in Covid and Malham is an exceptional case with massive demand for parking space. **We will write in support and suggest some more tree screening to soften the impact of the parking.**

### Finance

Currently we have **£44356**, after paying £5 bank charges, Lengthsman's £445, Merrit and Fryers £70, £136 to the Yorks Council's Assoc , £26 electric bill and £221.70 water bill. We received £33.50 from tomatopay (parking and toilet donations) and £500 from Kerr Creative for a photo shoot.

Included in the total are reserved funds of which the Malham Initiative account has **£2,662**, the Malham Brochure **£1,314** and the tree fund **£80**

### Police and parking

The Police are now included on the Local Watch social media site. There have problems with fire Engines and potentially other large vehicles passing through the narrow road in Upper Settle due to increased parking. **PD to write to Settle Town Council and the Police to ask if something can be done.**

### Lengthsman and toilets.

The water dispenser outside the toilets has now been installed and is working well although suffers a loss in pressure if the toilet cisterns are flushed. We need to install a sign plus a donation box and it will need regular cleaning. We will advertise it on Social media. Thanks to Mick for installing it.

The bins have been collected intermittently over the last few weeks and this has posed problems on key bank holiday weekends . They are supposed to be emptied every week in summer and every 2 weeks in winter.

We were promised another green bin but this not materialised. **PD to write to NYCC.**

There are signs that work around the bridge in Malham is being completed but damage to the grass needs to be repaired and excess gravel removed. CW has written to them and they have promised that the site will be inspected by Highways before it will be signed off.

Verge parking. **MP will add a few more substantial signs.**

Phil Hargreaves is to give us a quote to repair the cobbles.

### **Litter**

nothing new.

### **MEG Update**

nothing new.

### **Sewage Releases**

The alarming number of untreated sewage releases into the R.Aire at Malham was discussed. In 2022 the sewage works overflowed 77 times equivalent to 34 days a year. DH to write to Yorks Water to ask why we've had so many releases.

### **Correspondence**

none

### **AOB**

- The Cove Road is likely be closed for half a day to allow filming All Creatures Great and Small. No date for this yet but they will need to contact us about it.
- There was some discussion about allowing the Listers to move some of the signage/ seating back on to the Green. It was thought that this would set a precedent though.
- Lots of discussion about problems that the large number of visitors pose near Gordale.
- Hanlith Kall A new gas heating exhaust pipe has been installed at knee height next to the road. This causes large amounts of steam to obscure the line of sight for traffic driving along the road and poses a danger to pedestrians. **PD to write to the owners.**

**Next meeting - 3rd July at 7.30pm**