

Minutes (347) of Kirkby Malhamdale Parish Council Meeting - Mon. 3rd July 2023

Attending: C. Wildman, P. Dewhurst, D. Howlett, A. Bradley
Apologies: N. Heseltine, P. Wherity, S. Inman, M. Harrop, M. Throup
Observing: R. Kirkbride (Public Safety Officer), J. Smart, P. Cummings, C. Parker, M. Parker, M. Pilkington, S. Stephenson, M. Wilson, L. Hodson, S. McWhinney

Public Questions

None

Minutes of the Last Meeting

Approved by **DH**, seconded by **CW**.

Matters Arising

Green bin has been requested for Malham but as yet not forthcoming.
H's shop in Malham has stopped selling disposable BBQs.
Additional No Parking signs installed on verge.

Council Matters

Nothing new.

Update from Councillor S. Myers

No general update although provided some info about HUG2 funding available for retrofitting rural, off gas grid housing and funding for energy efficiency in homes. Home Upgrade Grant (HUG) Phase 2 with £14.5m fund awarded to NYC.

Traffic Management

One letter received from a parishioner voicing concern and KMPC will end acknowledgement/response.

Update from the National Trust

National Trust has provided what is essentially a holding email (from Martin Davies, General Manager for Yorkshire Dales). They hope to carry out external joinery repairs to windows/doors in 2025. No material update or news on the future of Tarn House at Malham Tarn.

The update report received from Jess Darwin, Area Manager NY, was circulated and shared with the meeting, indicating the willingness to collaborate with KMPC in trying to address current issues of BBQs on Malham Moor, illegal parking and o/night camping via 'drop bollards'.

YDNPA Update

No update.

Planning

KMPC submitted support to the 3 planning applications that related to the applications to increase the number of days (per year) that those 3 fields can be open to provide additional parking in Malham Village.

Finance

No report. Treasurer to provide update at next (September) KMPC meeting.

Police and Parking

R. Kirkbride the **Public Community Safety Officer** (based out of Grassington) attended the meeting, introducing himself and explaining his role in our community, including being a First Responder, and aiming at 'early interventions' in known issues of concern, repeat crime offenders, etc. Also work with other bodies – ambulance, GP surgeries, occupational health to offer assistance in our area. Talks at schools, WI meetings, talks on scams and frauds in rural ageing populations.

Covers reasonably large area from Bolton Abbey up to Malhamdale and bordering to Settle but not North of Settle towards Clapham.

Parking and enforcement is not under his remit. Parking continues to be covered by Harrogate Council.

Lengthsman Update and Toilets

Recent damage to Public Toilets in Malham to door frame of ladies entry door which might be dry rot. KMPC will seek professional advice.

MP to contact Timberworks in Settle to come and provide advice on this as well as a remedial plan including replacement of door frame and door.

Litter & Dog Poo

The volunteer group is functioning well currently.

There continues to be irregular emptying of the bins in Malham and Goredale with KMPC regularly chasing NYC to seek their assistance.

MEG Update

Have found person who is willing to take over from Peter Cummings as Chair of MEG who is Jane Smart. To be effective from January 2024, with PC continuing as Deputy Chair.

Local Nature Recovery Strategies – now initiative, requiring lot of community involvement.

All local councils need biodiversity priorities. From 2023 will be a legal responsibility for all developers to report on the biodiversity aspect associated with any developments, infrastructure and demonstrate biodiversity net gain.

Sewage Releases - Update

DH wrote to Environment Agency and Yorkshire Water – response has been received and dialogue remains open and hopefully positive. The response explained that the sewage pollution does benefit from some filtration and dilution provided by local reed beds.

Correspondence

Nothing of note

Local Housing Needs

Update provided by Rev. S. McWhinney on Glebe Cottage in Kirkby Malham where range of contractors are quoting for the required works. Slow progress overall.

AOB

- The fact that no parish meeting has been held for Kirkby Malham village since 2019. CW raised question of whether a KM village meeting is going to be reinstated or if there was any appetite for someone to resurrect this. Similarly the question was raised in respect of Malham village meeting.
- M. Pilkington commented that the recent Macmillan Mighty Hike was a very positive event in his opinion and feels this is something the parish should be very proud of and support positively.

Next Meeting

4th September @ 7.30pm

No meeting in August 2023 – Holiday Recess