

NETHER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE POPPLETON CENTRE, UPPER POPPLETON, AT 7.00PM ON MONDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2008

PRESENT:

Cllr. G A Bradley (Chairman)

Cllr. J L Craven

City Councillor Ian Gillies

Cllr. F A Brown

Cllr. P H F Powell

One member of the public

Cllr. J Shannon.

Cllr. D M Tomlinson

Mr B J W Mackman (Clerk)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

08/231 - DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None.

08/232 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C Robinson.

08/233 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20 OCTOBER 2008

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20 October 2008, having been circulated, were approved and signed.

08/234 - TO RECEIVE THE CITY OF YORK COUNCILLORS' REPORTS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Councillor Gillies reported that:-

- There has been no progress on discussions regarding the re-routing of the No. 10 bus.
- The verges in Long Ridge Lane need to be reseeded where they have been damaged during the laying of the new water main.
- PCSOs are to be trained in the use of portable speed cameras
- Hillcrest Avenue is now an official No Cold Calling Zone.
- The Ward Committee will consider the request for grants from the Parish Council with trees as a priority followed by the circular footpath and daffodils.
- Councillor Gillies said that he would pursue the City Council Officers with respect to the circular footpath.

08/235 - CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) *Progress on Saxe Dane Lodge's fence (Min. 08/211a)*

No progress had been made on the subject of the fence or the planting of the replacement trees which were a condition of the original planning application. The Clerk is to write to Dan Calvert of the City Council to express the Parish Council's concern that the work has not been carried out and that the ugly fence is still prominent. **(Action Clerk)**

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the owner of the property to let him know that the Parish council has had a number of complaints about the fence being built the wrong way round. The Parish Council considers that the fence should be facing the other way. It needs to be quickly

disguised with trees as per the planning application. (**Action Clerk**)

(b) Progress on cutting back the trees from the path between the pumping station and the river

It was agreed that a working party would meet at 10.00am on Monday 24 November to cut back the trees.

(c) Meet the Funder seminar

The Clerk reported that he and Councillor Powell had attended this seminar at King James School, Knaresborough on 28 October when several contacts were established and Yorventure said that it would look favourably on a grant application for the proposed youth shelter.

(d) Daffodil planting

Councillor Tomlinson reported that he, with some help from Councillor Robinson, had planted a total of 2,000 daffodil bulbs in the verge along both sides of Millfield Lane starting 30 metres from the by-pass bridge going towards Long Ridge Lane. The Chairman thanked Councillors Tomlinson and Robinson on the Parish Council's behalf.

08/236 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

08/236/1- The Clerk read a letter from Richard Eames, the Managing Director of First York, who said that he would be pleased to attend a meeting in the village when the subject of the proposed A59 Park & Ride would be discussed but that he wasn't arranging such a meeting.

08/236/2 - It was agreed that the correspondence received since the October meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Clerk & Councils Direct - November 2008, Issue 60
- (b) Communities & Local Government - Communities in control - consultation
- (c) CPRE - Countryside Voice, Autumn 2008
- (d) CPRE - Recruitment literature
- (e) CPRE - Stop & Drop literature
- (f) CPRE - York & Selby District Branch Newsletter, Autumn 2008
- (g) CYC - Streets Ahead - September 2008
- (h) NALC - LCR, Volume 60, No 4 - November 2008
- (i) Upper Poppleton Parish Council - Minutes of 13 October
- (j) YCVS - AGM 6 November details

08/237 - FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 17 November 2008. The report reflected the receipts and payments below. The bank balances at 17 November were:

Current Account	£200.00
Business Money Manager Account	£27,485.38
National Savings Investment Account	£14,044.22

(b) Accounts for payment (net of VAT);

1169 Peter Powell	Travel expenses	£84.20
1170 Poppleton Community Trust	Grant	£2,500.00
1172 James Mackman	Salary – November	£490.73
1173 James Mackman	Expenses	£23.70
1174 Post Office Ltd	Tax & NI - November	£172.07

(c) Income Received

None

(d) To agree the Clerk's annual pay increase as per the National Agreement

The Clerk read a letter from the YLCA which stated that this year's pay award had gone to arbitration but that the employers' rejected offer of a 2.45% pay rise, backdated to 1 April 2008, should be implemented with immediate effect. Any increase agreed over 2.45% subsequently agreed would be the subject of another agenda item. It was agreed that the pay award be implemented.

(e) To consider the Budget for 2009-10

The Clerk presented a suggested draft budget for 2009-10 and explained his reasoning for the various items. The budget and the precept for 2009-10 will be agreed at the meeting in January.

08/238 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) To consider the following planning applications

The Clerk had circulated a detailed list of current outstanding planning applications prior to the meeting.

Consideration was given to the following application:

Ref: 08/02118/TCA – Crown reduce holly by 1m, crown reduce by 33% corkscrew willow. Remove dead limb on cherry. Trees on the Conservation Area at Well House, 8 Fox Garth by Mrs Christine Hoather.	No objections
Ref: 08/02155/FUL – Extension to hotel to provide 21 no. bedrooms also alterations to landscaping and car park area at The Millfield, White Rose Close by Whitbread Group Plc.	No objections
Ref: 08/02289/FUL – Single-storey pitched roof rear extension at Wetherby Whaler, Ings Lane by Wetherby Whaler Restaurant.	No objections
Ref: 08/02379/LBC – Internal alterations in connection with loft conversion and 2no. roof lights to rear at Fruit Farm, 1 Main Street by Mr & Mrs Kitching.	No objections
Ref: 08/02427/ADV – Display of 3 internally illuminated signs on shop, 6 non-illuminated signs on carwash, 4 internally illuminated and 5 non-illuminated pole mounted signs, 1 internally illuminated 6-metre high totem sign, new plaque to existing “BP” totem sign at BP Petrol Filling Station, Great North Way by CO-OP.	We consider this application to be excessive advertising with 24 signs on one site. It appears to be a form of modern day graffiti. If this level of advertising were reproduced across the York Business Park much of the outside of the buildings would be hidden by signage. Too many signs are confusing and distracting to vehicle drivers. We are also concerned about the level of

	<p>light pollution produced by half the number of signs having internal illumination.</p> <p>The application does not conform with policies GP18 and GP21 of the City Council's Draft Local Plan inasmuch that designs, locations, materials and colouring detract from visual appearance and advertising should be in keeping with surrounding buildings and public areas especially on sites clearly visible from roads.</p> <p>The proposal would have an adverse effect on the character of the area.</p>
<p>Ref: 08/02449/FUL – Two-storey pitched roof front extension with dormer and single-storey side extension at 12 Linton Road by Mr Michael Lock.</p>	<p>No objections but the Parish Council considers that the proposal is contrary to:-</p> <p>GP1 and GP7 of the CYC Draft Local Plan Supplementary Planning Guidance when applied to extensions and alterations Design Guidelines 11, 12, 14 and 23 of the Poppleton Village Design Statement.</p> <p>If the Planning Officer is mindful to approve the application then conditions should be included to withdraw any future development rights and ensure protection of the existing trees and naturalised beech hedge.</p>
<p>Ref: 08/02509/FUL – Implement store and open hay storage at Woodhouse Farm, Lords Lane by Mr Charles Chisholm</p>	<p>In transit</p>

(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

It was noted that the following applications had been withdrawn:

Ref: 08/01830/REMM – Reserved matters application for erection of 1no. two-storey office building (Class B1) and 1no. block comprising single-storey workshops and 1no. block comprising two-storey storage building and single-storey workshops (Class B1, B2 and B8 use) at Plot 8b, Great North Way by Evans Easyspace Ltd.

Ref: 08/02019/FUL – Alterations to roof including raising ridge height and creation of 2no. gable ends and 2no. front dormers and single-storey rear extension at 23 Main Street by Mr and Mrs Jonathan and Victoria Coy.

08/239 - PARISH COUNCIL LAND - TO RECEIVE PROGRESS REPORTS AND MAKE APPROPRIATE DECISIONS ON

(a) Grass cutting

No report.

(b) The Himalayan Balsam & weeds on the river bank

No report.

(c) The Moat Fields

The Clerk reported that he had written to Andrew Sykes to ask him for documentary proof to support his driving of vehicles through the Moat Fields.

(d) Resurfacing the car park next to St Everilda's in Church Lane and grant funding application

It was reported that the Councillors had met with Network Rail on site. The Parish Council is looking for a 50% contribution from Network Rail for resurfacing the car park. Network Rail would like to have access to the railway for 17-tonne vehicles. It was agreed that Network Rail would draw up a new specification for the surface of the car park so that it would cope with 17-tonne vehicles. Network Rail also agreed that it would fill in the pot holes in the car park as a temporary measure.

(e) Yorkshire Water Services notice of intention to lay a new sewer main across Parish Council land near the pumping station

Yorkshire Water Services intention was discussed. Their offer of £500 in respect of granting permission for the works to commence prior to the 3-month statutory notice was accepted and it was resolved to allow the works to go ahead.

08/240- TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON VILLAGE POLICING

The following report on incidents in Nether Poppleton had been received from PC 937 Anna Tyldesley, Dedicated Police Officer, Safer Neighbourhood Team, Fulford, Rural West, Bishopthorpe and Wheldrake Wards.

16 Oct	Theft from vehicle	Severn Green
18 Oct	Theft of handbag from the reception	Travel Inn
19 Oct	Commercial burglary at Parcellforce	Millfield Lane
20 Oct	Attempt car break	Volvo garage
21 Oct	Three vehicles broken into	Travel Inn
23 Oct	Theft from Co-op at - male arrested	BP station
24 Oct	Shop broken into and cigarettes stolen	Allerton Drive
31 Oct	Drivers car window smashed	Calder Avenue
31 Oct	Damage to front door	Calder Avenue - both of these were the same address
1 Nov	Rear wiper broken off car	Ebor Way
4 Nov	Damage to window	Riversvale
8 Nov	Burglary Dwelling and car stolen from driveway	Kyle Way

08/241 – TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON PROGRESS ON THE PROVISION OF A YOUTH SHELTER AND GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

Councillor Bradley produced a second quotation for the proposed youth shelter and said that there was another quotation to come. The required planning application will be submitted by the City Council.

08/242 – TO AGREE PROGRESS ON THE CIRCULAR PUBLIC FOOTPATH

No progress to report.

08/243 - TO AGREE NEXT STEPS ON THE PROPOSED NEW KISSING GATE

The Clerk reported that he had written a letter to the owner of the land to ask for permission for the Parish Council to replace the kissing gate. It was agreed that if the owner was agreeable to the installation of a new kissing gate than the work should be authorised. (Action Clerk)

08/244 – TO AGREE TO ARRANGE A LITTER PICK

It was agreed to defer a decision on this subject until the January meeting.

08/245 - TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON ‘LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES’

Councillor Craven presented a short report on this subject.

08/246 – TO RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES’ REPORTS

(a) *Councillor Powell* reported on the York Open Planning Forum meeting held on 22 October.

(b) *Councillor Bradley* reported that he had laid the wreath at the War Memorial at a service held on 11 November. He was accompanied by Councillors Robinson, Powell, the Clerk and several residents.

08/247 – TO NOTE THE DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Date of Meeting	Meeting	Venue/ Time	Councillors Attending
20 November	Poppleton Ousebank School	Science Open Evening – from 5.30pm	Robinson
21 November	PopSOC AGM	Youth Centre/ 7.00pm	Bradley
25 November	PCT Executive	Poppleton Centre/7.00pm	Tomlinson
29 November	Rural Action Yorkshire	Whixley	Powell
10 December	Ward Team	Guildhall/ 10.30am	Powell
TBA	Ainsty Group	TBA	Tomlinson, Powell

08/248 – TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Minor Matters

None.

Items for next agenda

Traffic management in Long Ridge Lane.

08/249 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING AS MONDAY 19 JANUARY 2009

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held at 7.00pm at the Poppleton Centre on Monday 19 January 2009.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....

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