

NETHER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE POPPLETON CENTRE, UPPER POPPLETON, AT 7.00PM ON MONDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2008

PRESENT:

Cllr. G A Bradley (Chairman)

Cllr. J L Craven

Mr B J W Mackman (Clerk)

Cllr. P H F Powell

Cllr. C Robinson

Cllr. D M Tomlinson

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Five Poppleton residents addressed the Councillors. For the last few weeks the No. 10 bus has been diverted down Millfield Lane whilst the water pipes are being laid in Long Ridge Lane. The consequence of this being that the bus has not been entering and exiting the village through Station Road and so not been circling the village. This has made it impossible for residents of Church Lane to catch the bus to the Health Centre and then return home by bus. If the revised bus route, which will be introduced when the new Manor School is opened in Millfield Lane, follows the route of the current temporary service the residents in Church Lane will suffer. Concern was also expressed by a resident who lives on the Boroughbridge Road.

08/207 - DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None.

08/208 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F A Brown and J Shannon.

08/209 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2008

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15 September 2008, having been circulated, were approved and signed.

08/210 - TO RECEIVE THE CITY OF YORK COUNCILLORS' REPORTS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Councillor Gillies reported that:-

- There was a verbal proposal that the No. 10 bus would enter and exit the village through Low Poppleton Lane when the new Manor School in Millfield Lane is opened. No formal proposal has yet been made by the bus company, First York.
- He has spoken to the Managing Director of First York who has promised that a public meeting will be held in the village prior to any change in the route of the No. 10 being implemented.
- The bus to Leeds Bradford airport could stop at Wyevale.
- Residents in Chantry Gap have been complaining about the increase in traffic caused by the closure of Long Ridge Lane whilst the water pipes are being laid.
- He is hoping that money will be available to upgrade the play area at the Poppleton Centre
- Manor School would like to acquire the field between its new site in Millfield Lane and the A1237. As the field has planning permission for the storage of vehicles it will cost about £170,000 to buy. Funding from the Football Foundation would help to fund the purchase and levelling of the field and also provide changing rooms for the Poppleton Junior Football Club field in Millfield Lane.

08/211 - CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Progress on Saxe Dane Lodge's fence (Min. 08/191a)

It was agreed that the Parish Council would wait to see if the trees and shrubs that are to be planted along the side of the fence have been planted by the next meeting when the subject will be revisited.

(b) Progress on purchase of daffodil bulbs (Min. 08/195c)

The daffodil bulbs have arrived and are in storage.

08/212 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

It was agreed that the correspondence received since the September meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Department of Communities & Local Government - Byelaws consultation
- (b) Hambleton District Council – Local Development Framework Consultation
- (c) North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service-Corporate Report 2008-2011
- (d) Open Spaces Society - Open Space, Autumn 2008 - Volume 29, No.3
- (e) Poppleton Moat Fields Management -Minutes of 15 April 2008
- (f) Standards Board - Town & Parish Standard, Issue 3 - September 2008
- (g) Upper Poppleton Parish Council - Minutes of 8 September
- (h) YOPF - Newsletter October 2008
- (i) York YCVS - Report for the year ended 31 March 2008
- (j) YorOK - Children's & Young People's Plan for York
- (k) YRCC - Annual Account 2007-08 & Conference details

08/213 - FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 20 October 2008. The report reflected the receipts and payments below. The bank balances at 20 October were:

Current Account	£200.00
Business Money Manager Account	£20,973.89
National Savings Investment Account	£14,044.22

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

1163	J Parkers Bulbs	Daffodils	£165.95
DD	Open Spaces Society	Open Spaces subscription	£30.00
1164	Poppleton Community Trust	Room hire	£18.00
1165	Mazars	External audit fee	£285.00
1166	James Mackman	Expenses	£45.29
1167	James Mackman	Salary – October	£418.53
1168	Post Office Ltd	Tax & NI - October	£126.14

(c) Income Received

City of York Council	2nd half year's precept	£10,500.00
HM Customs & Excise	VAT refund	£265.53

(d) To consider releasing the £2,500 for the Poppleton Community Trust

It was agreed that the £2,500 reserved for the Poppleton Community Trust be released.

08/214 - 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: 08/02019/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.	No objections
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(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

It was noted that the Local Planning Authority had approved the following six applications:

Ref: 08/00402/FUL – Erection of two-storey office block and associated car parking (resubmission) at London Ebor Developments plc, Millfield Business Centre, Millfield Lane by London Ebor Developments Pension Fund.

Ref 08/01710/FUL – Single-storey rear extension, demolition of flat roof to shop and internal alterations at 14 Main Street by Mr Chris Cook.

Ref: 08/01768/ADV – Display of 2No. internally illuminated lettering signs at Alexander’s, Great North Way by Alexanders.

Ref: 08/01913/FUL – Single-storey side extension at 7 Severn Green by Mr & Mrs Glynn Brookes-Humphrey.

Ref: 08/01967/FUL – Pitched roof detached double garage to rear at 34 Church Lane by Mr Robert Pulleyn.

Ref: 08/02039/FUL – Two-storey pitched roof front extension with dormer following demolition of existing flat roof extension at 8 Linton Road by Professor Andy Smith.

It was noted that the following application had been refused:

Ref: 08/01907/FUL – Erection of one and a half storey pitched roof dwelling on land adjacent to Woodside (resubmission) at Woodside, Riversvale Drive by Mr & Mrs T Ayres.

08/215 - PARISH COUNCIL LAND - TO RECEIVE PROGRESS REPORTS AND MAKE APPROPRIATE DECISIONS ON

(a) Grass cutting

No report.

(b) Trees – cutting back from the path between the pumping station and the river

The Councillors agreed that they would arrange a working party to cut back the trees.

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

Quotations for treating the balsam have still to be obtained. It was noted that this season’s growth had now disappeared so there was no need for arrangements to be made for its removal.

(d) The Moat Fields

Concern was expressed about the number of locks that are on the chain that secures the large gate to the Moat Fields. The Clerk was asked to write to Gerry Jackson to express the serious concerns of the Councillors over vehicular access to the Moat Fields and to ask for a list of people to whom the Moat Fields Management Group had given keys. **(Action Clerk)**

It was also agreed that the Clerk should write to Andrew Sykes who farms the land between the river bank and the railway line to ascertain what authority he has to drive farm vehicles through the Moat Fields. **(Action Clerk)**

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

The Clerk reported that the first set of documents he had sent to Network Rail had not arrived and confirmed that a second set of documents had been sent. He had been advised that the documents had been passed to Network Rail's Asset Liability Department. As the surface of the car park is becoming dangerous the Clerk was asked to contact the Assets Liability Department to ask that the matter of resurfacing the car park be treated with urgency. **(Action Clerk)**

(f) Concerns on the naming of the area outside St Everilda's Church

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated two letters of complaint about the Parish Council naming the area outside St Everilda's Church as the Gateway to Poppleton Country Park. After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk write to the senders to say that the Parish Council notes their concerns and will contact them again when funding is received which allows the remedial work to be undertaken. **(Action Clerk)**

08/216- 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.

14 Sep	Garage burglary	Millfield Lane
15 Sep	Theft of drainpipe	Church Lane
19 Sep	Theft of tools from vehicle	Riverside Gardens
19 Sep	2 x Criminal Damage to vehicle	Great North Way
27 Sep	Washing stolen from line and a bike stolen from insecure shed	Severn Green
8 Oct	Theft of sat nav from vehicle	Millfield Lane

The Clerk reported that, at the Ward Committee meeting on 15 October, the police had said that they are aware of who has been carrying out the recent spate of burglaries and it's only a question of time before he is caught and brought to justice.

08/217 – TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON PROGRESS ON THE PROVISION OF A YOUTH SHELTER AND GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

Following advice from Yorwaste, possible funders of the project, Councillor Bradley had asked for two more quotations for the proposed youth shelter.

08/218 – TO AGREE PROGRESS ON THE CIRCULAR PUBLIC FOOTPATH

No progress to report.

08/219 – TO REVIEW THE PROGRESS ON UPDATING THE PARISH COUNCIL'S STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Councillor Powell reported that the National Association of Local Councils has still not yet released a new set of Standing Orders. It was agreed that work on the subject be deferred until the new Standing Orders are available.

08/220 – TO CONSIDER INVESTIGATING THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL ALLOTMENTS

It was reported that not all Councillors have yet read the book “The Law of Allotments” by Paul Clayden. It was agreed to defer discussion until all the Councillors had read the book. (**Action – All Councillors**)

08/221 - TO AGREE NEXT STEPS ON THE PROPOSED NEW KISSING GATE

The Clerk reported that he had been unable to speak to the owner of the land to ask for permission for the Parish Council to replace the kissing gate. He would keep trying. (**Action Clerk**)

08/222 – TO REVIEW THE PARISH COUNCIL’S FREEDOM OF INFORMATION PUBLICATION SCHEME

The Clerk had produced a revised scheme which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Councillors agreed that the scheme as submitted be accepted.

08/223 - TO CONSIDER THE IMPLICATIONS OF PERMANENT CHANGES TO THE NO 10 BUS ROUTE

It was noted that First York had agreed that when the new bus route runs through Millfield Lane the frequency of buses would increase from every 20 Minutes to every 15 minutes. Since then the service has been reduced to a bus every 30 minutes.

The concerns expressed by the residents prior to the beginning of the meeting were noted. The Clerk was directed to write to First York to say that it the Parish Council welcomed the fact that a public meeting is to be arranged prior to the implementation of a change in the route. (**Action Clerk**)

08/224 – TO AGREE TO ARRANGE A LITTER PICK

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

08/225 – TO CONSIDER COUNCILLORS’ ATTENDANCE AT THE SLCC TRAINING DAY AT TADCASTER ON 15 NOVEMBER

The Clerk reported that he would be attending the Training Day as a representative of Upper Poppleton Parish Council. It was agreed that the absent Councillors should be asked if they would like to attend and if so their places would be funded by the Parish Council.

08/226 - TO AGREE A DATE FOR BULB PLANTING IN MILLFIELD LANE

A working party to plant the daffodils was arranged for 1.30pm on Saturday 25 October.

08/227 – TO RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES’ REPORTS

(a) *Councillor Powell* reported on the YLCA Conference at Scarborough on 2 October.

(b) *Councillor Robinson* reported on

- i. The recent Moat Fields Management Group meeting – minutes to follow
- ii. The Poppleton Ousebank School Governors meeting on 23 September – minutes to follow

(c) *Councillor Bradley* reported on the recent Poppleton Youth Action Group Annual General meeting.

08/228 – TO NOTE THE DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Date of Meeting	Meeting	Venue/ Time	Councillors Attending
22 October	York Open Planning Forum	Clementhorpe Room, Priory Street /7.30pm	Tomlinson, Powell
29 November	Rural Action Yorkshire	Whixley	Powell
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08/229 – TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Minor Matters

None.

Items for next agenda

Budget for 2009-10 and traffic management.

08/206 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING AS MONDAY 17 NOVEMBER

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held at 7.00pm at the Poppleton Centre on Monday 17 November 2008.

The meeting closed at 9.24 pm.

Chairman.....

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