

NETHER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE POPPLETON CENTRE, UPPER POPPLETON, AT 7.00PM ON MONDAY, 9 AUGUST 2010

PRESENT:

Cllr. P H F Powell (Chairman)	City Councillor Ian Gillies.
Cllr. E M Jones	Four members of the public
Cllr. C Robinson.	
Cllr. D M Tomlinson	Mr B J W Mackman (Clerk)

10/149 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None.

10/150 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two residents spoke about the proposed bus stop for the number 20 bus in Main Street. One resident wasn't happy about the location and the other would not like to see a modern bus stop sign in a Conservation Area that contains a number of Listed Buildings.

10/151 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. G A Bradley, J L Craven and J Shannon.

10/152 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 19 JULY 2010

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19 July 2010, having been circulated, were approved and signed.

10/153 - TO RECEIVE THE CITY OF YORK COUNCILLORS' REPORTS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Councillor Ian Gillies reported that

- There had been problems in arranging for the spraying of the weeds at the side of the footpath that runs from Dodsworth Hall in Millfield Lane to Hillcrest Avenue
- The weeds in the gutters in the village have been sprayed with weed killer
- Advertising boards and banners have appeared in Great North Way and on the A1237
- There are a number of options for the location of the bus stop in Main Street and gave a detailed explanation about each one

10/154 – TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT:

The Clerk reported

(a) *Progress on Riversvale Drive area restoration (Min. 10/135a)*

Some clearance of the area had taken place but the area had not yet been seeded.

(b) *Progress on bus shelter roof (Min. 10/135b)*

Repair work to the roof has started.

(c) *Progress on Information Commissioner (Min. 10/135e)*

No progress on this subject.

(d) *Progress on willow pollarding (Min. 10/139f)*

Rylands Horticulture has started to pollard the willows.

(e) *Progress on the proposed bus stop in Main Street (Min. 10/144)*

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Paul Brand who had said that no decision on the location of the bus stop has yet been made. The options are still open. He is going to ask the bus company to park a bus on the corner of Main Street and Church Lane to see if it causes a traffic hazard. He will be consulting

with the residents who live in the area of Main Street where the bus stop may be located.

(f) Progress on tree inspection (Min. 10/097c)

Rylands Horticulture has confirmed that the inspection will be done soon.

10/155 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

10/155/1 - The Clerk referred to the following items:-

- (a) Network Rail - Electronic Correspondence
- (b) NYCC – Possible change to Concessionary bus fares

10/0155/2 – *It was agreed that the correspondence received since the July meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors*

- (a) Burn & Co – notice of change of name
- (b) Burn & Co - Law Brief, Issue 3, 2010
- (c) CPRE - Countryside Voice, Summer 2010
- (d) CPRE - Fieldwork, August 2010
- (e) CYC - Standards issues
- (f) Dan Calvert - Ash tree query
- (g) Julian Sturdy - Contact details
- (h) North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority - Corporate Report 2010/11

10/156 – FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 9 August 2010. The report reflected the receipts and payments below. The bank balances at 9 August were:

Current Account	£500.00
Business Money Manager Account	£32,202.92
National Savings Investment Account	£14,555.70

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

1325	Yorks & Humber RTP	Peter Powell - Scarborough Conference	£297.00
1326	Poppleton Community Trust	Room hire – July	£19.00
1327	James Mackman	Salary – August	£459.20
1328	Post Office Ltd	Tax & NI – August	£127.34
1329	James Mackman	Expenses	£15.22

(c) Income Received

Nil

(d) To agree to grant the budgeted amount for the Youth Club

It was agreed to give the Poppleton Youth Action Group the sum of £1,000 as requested and as provided for in the current year's budget.

(e) To agree to source outstanding Section 106 money

The Clerk reported that the City Council Officer who knows about Section 106 money is currently on holiday and that he hoped to provide answers at the September Parish Council meeting.

10/157 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

(a) Consideration was given to the following applications:

Ref: 10/01448/FUL – First floor rear extension, single-storey extension to front and internal alterations at Glen Hyrst, 75 Millfield	No objections
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Lane by Mr & Mrs Moger.	
Ref: 10/01457/ADV – Display of various illuminated fascia, hanging and entrance signs at Alexander’s, Great North Way by Alexanders Nissan.	No objections

(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

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

- Ref: 10/01072/FUL – Single-storey dwelling with garage to rear with access from Millfield Lane (resubmission) at 16 Midway Avenue by Mr A Connolly.
- Ref: 10/01440/TCA - Fell horse chestnut (T1), hazel (T2), cherry T3,4), crown lift magnolia (T5) above railings, crown lift to minimum 6ft. Trees in the Conservation Area at Manor Farm, Church Lane by Mr Quentin Macdonald.

(c) To consider a response to the City Council’s proposal for on-line planning applications

The City Council’s Planning Department had sent a questionnaire about on-line planning applications. As some Councillors had already responded to the questionnaire as individuals it was resolved that the Parish Council would not make an official response

10/158 – PARISH COUNCIL LAND – TO RECEIVE PROGRESS REPORTS AND MAKE APPROPRIATE DECISIONS ON

(a) Grass cutting

No report.

(b) The Moat Fields

i. Insurance for members of the Moat Fields Management Group

No report.

ii. Horses in the Moat Fields

The Moat Fields Management Group had reported that horses have been seen in the Moat Fields. The Group is arranging to have the size of the gate by St Everilda’s Church wall reduced so that it will not be possible for horses to be taken into the Moat Fields by that route.

iii. Proposed signage for the Moat Fields

The Moat Fields Management Group had suggested that a sign be erected which states

THE POPPLETON MOAT FIELDS
AN IMPORTANT SCHEDULED ANCIENT MONUMENT
PLEASE FEEL FREE TO WALK ON AND ENJOY THESE FIELDS
MAINTENANCE IS HIGHLY DEPENDENT ON SHEEP GRAZING
DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON THE LEAD AT ALL TIMES
NO HORSE RIDING, CAMPING OR BONFIRES
 By order, Nether Poppleton Parish Council

It was agreed that the wording is acceptable

(c) The next steps for managing the woodland

The idea of forming a working group was discussed. It was agreed that Councillor Jones would prepare a paper on the subject and this would be discussed at a future meeting.

(d) Cutting back overgrowth next to the footpath at Warren Lea

It was agreed that Baron Landscape be asked to quote for cutting back the vegetation along the footpath and the Clerk was given authority to accept the quotation after consulting with the Chairman.

(e) The Wildlife area and pond maintenance

Councillor Robinson said that the pond area is in need of a facelift. The work is more than the volunteers can manage and BTCV have quoted £494 for carrying out the work. It was agreed to accept this quotation.

(f) Riverbank mooring

The Clerk reported that he had received an email from a resident who was querying the Parish Council's rules on the incidence of boats being moored along the Common Land riverbank. It was agreed that this had not been a problem before and that the situation would be monitored so that it could be ascertained if there was a problem to be faced.

10/159 – TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON VILLAGE POLICING

The following schedule of incidents in Nether Poppleton had been received from Nigel Colley PCSO 5642, Rural West Safer Neighbourhood Policing Team.

7 July	Drugs	Cannabis being grown – 1 arrested	Severn Green
10 July	Theft	Cycle taken – 2 arrested	Allerton Drive
18 July	Theft	Goods taken – 1 arrested	BP Garage
19 July	Burglary Other	Shed entered, cycle/power tools taken	Severn Green
28 July	Theft	Metal covers taken – 1 arrested	Great North Way, Utility site
4 August	Theft	Tools taken – red transit van seen	Church Lane

PCSO Colley reported that as well as the above the BP garage has had a spate of MOWP (make off without paying). In the case of Burglaries and Burglary Others, the method of entry appears to involve use of garden tools that are at the address.

10/160 – TO CONSIDER A REPORT ON THE CIRCULAR PUBLIC FOOTPATH

In the absence of Councillor Craven it was agreed to defer discussion on this subject.

10/161 – TO CONSIDER PRODUCING AN AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

In the absence of Councillor Bradley it was agreed to defer discussion on this subject

10/162 – TO CONSIDER A RESPONSE TO THE COMMUNITY PROFILES QUESTIONNAIRE

After discussion it was agreed that it was not a function of the Parish Council to provide answers to the questions contained on the Community Profiles Questionnaire.

10/163 – TO RECEIVE REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

(a) *Councillor Tomlinson* reported on the Poppleton Community Trust Executive meeting held on 26 July. Work is underway to refurbish the toilets. The roof in the sports hall has been underdrawn and the 30cm gap has been filled. It is hoped that this will prevent condensation forming on the ceiling and go some way to soundproof the hall.

(b) *Councillor Robinson* reported that the Wildlife Trust had held a working party on 28 July when the hedge was cut, the pond cleared and the area was given a general tidy up

10/164 – TO NOTE THE DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Date of Meeting	Meeting	Venue/ Time	Councillors Attending
1 Sep	Ward Team	Guildhall, Room 4/ 3.00pm	Powell
7 Sep	Poppleton Community Trust Executive Committee	Poppleton Centre/ 7.00pm	Tomlinson
10 Sep	Police Liaison	Poppleton Centre/ 10.00am	Powell

16 Sep	Millennium Green AGM	Tithe Barn/ 7.15pm	All
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10/165 – TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Minor Matters

A resident had written to point out that the branches of the trees on Ouse Moor Lane are encroaching over the lane and becoming a hazard for high-sided vehicles. It was agreed that the trees in question are Highways trees and that the City Council should be advised of the problem. **(Action Clerk)**

Items for next agenda –

Village footpath and road survey

10/166 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING AS MONDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held at 7.00pm at the Poppleton Centre on Monday 20 September 2010.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....

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