

NETHER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE POPPLETON CENTRE, UPPER POPPLETON, AT 7.15 PM ON MONDAY, 15 MAY 2017

PRESENT:

Cllr. S P Barry (Chairman for the meeting)

Cllr. E M Jones

Cllr. P H F Powell

Cllr. M A Reynolds

Cllr. D A Simpson

Cllr. I Woods

City Cllr. Ian Gillies

Mr B J W Mackman (Clerk)

17/116 - TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Cllr. Bradley was elected Chairman for the year in his absence. Cllr. Barry chaired the meeting.

17/117 – TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF OFFICE

It was agreed that Cllr. Bradley could sign his Declaration of Office at a later date.

17/118 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (NOT PREVIOUSLY DECLARED) ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None.

17/119 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

17/120 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Cllr. G A Bradley.

17/121 - ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

OFFICE	COUNCILLORS
Vice-Chairman	Barry
Adventure Playground Group	Simpson
Cycle/Footpath Parish Links Representative	Barry
Manor Academy Representative	Jones
Millennium Green Representative	Reynolds
Neighbourhood Plan Group	Jones, Powell, Simpson
Poppleton Community Trust Observer	Simpson
Poppleton Moat Fields Management Group Representative	Woods
Poppleton Cricket Club	Woods
Poppleton Ousebank School Governors Representative	Vacant
Poppleton Residents' Association Representative	Powell
Poppleton Youth Action Group Representative	Bradley
Rural West York Ward Team Representative	Powell
Village in bloom	Jones
Wildlife Trust Representative	Jones
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations Representative	Powell, Bradley

17122 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 24 APRIL 2017

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 24 April 2017 having been circulated prior to the meeting, were approved and signed.

17/123 - TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM A CITY OF YORK COUNCILLOR

City Cllr. Ian Gillies reported that: -

- The rising bollard between Millfield Lane and Low Poppleton Lane is not going to be made functional for the time being
- A pillar box has now been installed on the forecourt in front of the Post Office. It is a reconditioned George VI box
- He would like to see a separate bridge for pedestrians alongside the A1237 bridge over the railway and River Ouse
- There was no particular news of the Local Plan

17/124 – TO DISCUSS THE INTENDED DISPOSAL OF THE LORD NELSON PUBLIC HOUSE.

It was reported that a meeting has been arranged at the Lord Nelson at 7.00pm on Monday 5th June. A flyer announcing the meeting was included with the Newsletter that has just been delivered to all households in Nether Poppleton. It was agreed that a poster advertising the meeting be put on all the Poppleton notice boards. It was agreed that Cllr. Bradley should chair the meeting. An agenda for the meeting was agreed. The objective of the meeting is to facilitate the creation of a steering committee to look into preserving the Lord Nelson as public house for the use of the community should residents agree to that particular course of action.

17/125 – FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 15 May 2017. The report reflected the receipts and payments below. The bank balances at 15 May were: -

Current Account	£500.00
Business Money Manager Account	£31,640.22
National Savings Investment Account	£15,115.97

(b) To note accounts for payment (net of VAT);

2006	Glen Bradley	Lap top, Microsoft Office, McAfee etc.	£442.47
2007	Mike Walker	Village Show expenses	£100.00
2008	Poppleton Community Trust	Room hire – April	£21.40
2009	Hutton Peach Ltd	Printing Newsletter	£720.00
2010	Came & Company	Annual insurance premium	£738.08
2011	James Mackman	Salary – May	£498.06
2012	Post Office Ltd	Income tax – May	£124.60
2013	James Mackman	Expenses	£7.30

(c) Income Received

City of York Council	1 st half-year's precept	£10,000.00
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(d) To consider supporting a Ward Committee grant increase for the Youth Club (Budget Projection to be supplied)

It was noted that there is money in the Ward Committee's budget and that the Youth Club be advised to apply for more funding from the Ward. **(Action Clerk)**

17/126 - PARISH COUNCIL LAND - TO RECEIVE PROGRESS REPORTS AND MAKE APPROPRIATE DECISIONS ON

(a) Grass cutting –

It was noted that all the grassed areas had been cut.

(b) The management of Warren Lea including the consideration of a new contract for TCV

It was noted that some Himalayan Balsam is in flower. It was agreed that TCV be asked to pull up the Himalayan Balsam as soon as possible.

Cllr. Jones pointed out that there was still part of a tree to be removed following the recent work to the trees. **(Action Clerk)**

(c) The management of the area between the War Memorial and the car park/access track

No report on this subject.

(d) Riverside Walk embankment

It was noted that the stumps have still not yet been ground out despite the Clerk having given the contractor several reminders. **(Action Clerk)**

(e) Allerton Drive garden

It was noted that the grass had been cut.

(f) The Moat Fields including the 2016-17 accounts

It was reported that the Management Group is trying to identify a Network Rail manager who will be a permanent contact between the Group and Network Rail.

(g) The Cartsheds and Wildlife area

No report on this subject.

(h) The tree maintenance programme and works for this year

No report on this subject.

17/127 – TO CONSIDER ADDING ITEMS TO THE LOCAL LIST, HERITAGE ASSET LIST AND COMMUNITY ASSET LIST

Cllr. Jones presented a four-columned schedule of buildings in Poppleton. These were the Listed Buildings, those on the Local List, those on the Heritage List and those deemed to be a Community Asset. It was agreed that Cllr. Jones enquire as to how to get buildings listed by Historic England. **(Action Cllr. Jones)**

17/128 – TO CONSIDER IMPLEMENTING A THREE-HOUR PARKING LIMIT AT THE ALLERTON DRIVE SHOPS

The Clerk reported having enquired of the City Council as to the process involved in the implementation of a three-hour parking scheme but had not received a reply. **(Action Clerk)**

17/129 – TO CONSIDER THE RISING BOLLARD ISSUE IN LOW POPPLETON LANE

The Cllrs. discussed the fact that the rising bollard between Millfield Lane and Low Poppleton Lane is no longer operative. This means that the number of drivers using Millfield Lane as a short cut is increasing. Traffic coming from Low Poppleton Lane is sometimes getting stuck in a traffic queue back from the roundabout at the junction of Millfield Lane and the A1237. Occasionally the queue extends back over the railway crossing. Although the railway line is clearly marked as a box junction and there are signs on both sides of the gates saying, “Keep Crossing Clear” the Councillors expressed concern that there is a possibility that a car in the queue, and stopped on the railway line, could be hit by a train.

It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Network Rail and ask them to put pressure on the City Council to restore the bollard in order to reduce the traffic flow and consequently the length of the queue back from the roundabout. **(Action Clerk)**

17/130 – TO REVIEW THE RULES ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The current rules regarding public participation were considered. It was agreed that they remain unchanged.

17/131 – TO CONSIDER SAFETY CAMERA LOCATIONS

It was noted that a mobile safety camera is located in Millfield Lane on a regular basis. It was agreed that the police be asked if they would, on occasion, locate a mobile safety camera in Long Ridge Lane with the aim of reducing speeding on that stretch of road. **(Action Clerk)**

17/132 - TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE WWI BEACONS OF LIGHT (CENTENARY) EVENT ON 11 NOVEMBER 2018

No news to report on this subject.

17/133 – TO RECEIVE WRITTEN REPORTS ON/FROM

(a) Village policing

There has been a change in the way that the police report incidents. The new format is reproduced below and shows the incidents reported to the police during April 2017.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)	1 st – group of Travellers on White Rose Avenue causing issues with a lorry driver 2 nd – report from the Lord Nelson pub, they have a group that are refusing to leave the grounds 10 th – group of youths on Millfield Lane smoking cannabis 12 th – youths on footpath near railway line at White Rose Way on scrambler bikes	4
Burglary	25 th – business entered by rear garage door on Opus Avenue; cash box stolen.	1
Criminal Damage	16 th – eggs thrown at a property on Nether Way	1
Theft	23 rd – cycle stolen from alley way on Severn Green 24 th – cycle stolen from garden on Long Ridge Lane	2

(b) Neighbourhood Plan –April/May 2017

A report from Andrew Ashcroft, the Independent Examiner for the Neighbourhood Plan said the following: -

“Many thanks for the update.

This a hugely impressive piece of work both in its own right and in terms of the engagement with the various statutory bodies. I will comment as such in the report. The process will stand you in good stead for longer-term roll out of the Neighbourhood Plan agenda in the City.

The screening report represents the final piece in the examination jigsaw. I will send Rebecca a draft version of the final report as a courtesy. Subject to a quick exchange of emails I can then issue the final report,

While it seems a long time ago since the examination began in February it has been appropriate to get these technicalities fully sorted out. They will ensure that the Plan has the necessary integrity throughout its operational period.”

Written reports on the following had been submitted to all Councillors prior to the meeting: -

(c) Adventure Playground Group – meetings of 23 and 26 April

(d) Rural West York Team – meeting of 3 May

- (e) *New Footpath Working Group*
- (f) *Millennium Green Trust*

17/134 - TO RECEIVE VERBAL REPORTS ON/FROM

None.

17/135 - TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT ON PROGRESS ON THE FOLLOWING: -

(a) *Removal of planings from the Common Land (Min 17/093i)*

The Clerk reported that he and Cllr. Powell had met City Council Officer, Jonathan Pickles, on site and expressed the Parish Council's concern on the recent dumping of planings and that no dumping should ever have taken place. They also asked that the recent planings be taken and used to surface the footpath behind the Council houses between Main Street and Riversvale Drive. Mr Pickles was shown the site.

(b) *Feedback on the recent Newsletter (Min 17/098)*

It was agreed that feedback from the recent Newsletter would be considered at the June Parish Council meeting.

17/136 – TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

17/136/1 –The Clerk referred to the following correspondence received since the April meeting

- (a) A complaint about the condition of Millennium Green paths which the Clerk had passed to the Green's Trust Chairman, Janet Hopton, who had sent a suitable reply to the complainant
- (b) A query regarding the possible grant for the Children's Sports Day
- (c) Tim Bradley, CYC - Acceptance of Lord Nelson notice to bid

17/136/2 - It was agreed that the correspondence received since the April Parish Council meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Clerk & Councils Direct, May 2017 - Issue 111
- (b) War Memorials Trust - Bulletin No. 73, May 2017

17/136/3 - It was noted that the correspondence received since the April meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Explore York Libraries & Archives - Yortime May 2017
- (b) Julia Mulligan - Police update
- (c) Quentin Macdonald - Complaint about some of the content in the Newsletter

17/137 – TO NOTE THE DATES OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Date of Meeting	Meeting	Venue/ Time	Councillors Attending
16 May	Adventure Playground	Poppleton Centre/ 7.30pm	Simpson
17 May	Rural West Ward	Poppleton Centre/ 7.00pm	All
1 Jun	YLCA York Branch	Folk Hall, New Earswick/ 7.00pm	Powell/Bradley
5 Jun	Lord Nelson disposal	Lord Nelson/ 7.00pm	All
6 Jun	Poppleton Community Trust Executive	Poppleton Centre/ 7.30pm	Simpson
13 Sep	Rural West Ward Team	Skelton Village Hall/ 2.30pm	Powell

17/138 – TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS

It was noted that the new seat has been installed in the verge opposite the Dodsworth Hall.

17/139 – TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

None.

17/140 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING AS MONDAY 19 JUNE 2017

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held at 7.15pm in the Poppleton Centre on Monday 19 June 2017. It will be preceded by the Planning Meeting at 7.00pm.

The meeting closed at 9.34pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....

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