

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF TOLLERTON PARISH COUNCIL

*Held in the Village Memorial Hall on 25 April 2006 at 7.30pm*

Present: Councillors: Mrs A Thompson (Chairman), Mrs S Jackson, Mrs N Burch, Mr S Gilson-Fox, Mr R Spark and Mrs E Rogers (Clerk).  
1 member of the public

1. Apologies – none
2. Minutes – the minutes of the Parish meeting held on 7 March were unanimously agreed as correct and signed by Mrs Thompson.
3. Matters Arising
  - a) Bench on the Village Green. Despite the Clerk having tried to obtain a further quote there are still only two quotes Theakstons of Beningborough at £1,800 plus £200 fitting for a galvanised bench and £2,300 for the same from AJ Fabrication and repair. The Councillors felt that a third quotation must be obtained due to the expense involved and Mr Pratt is to provide the Clerk with additional contacts who may be able to help. Mrs Jackson expressed her concern at the cost as the seat may become a target for vandalism, however, it was thought that it would be very difficult to damage and that long term metal was a better option than wood.
  - b) Bus stops – this had been raised at the March meeting and Mr Wade was to look into the location of the bus stop signs. In his absence this was deferred until the next meeting.
  - c) Emergency Plan – it was felt that a formal plan was not needed for Tollerton, also, once one has been drafted it will need regular revision which would be an unnecessary burden. Clerk is to file the plan document for future reference in case of need.
  - d) Housing Survey – 68 replies had been received from a total of 364 delivered. Today was the final reply date and Mrs Thompson was to check for final returns in the shop. Mrs Thompson is to forward the forms to Ms Coleman after she has carried out an analysis of the data. The replies indicate that no-one has requested housing, although approximately 50% are not opposed to a small development. Some replies have covering letters or notes attached. Mr Spark raised the point that there were already around 20 housing association properties within the Village.
4. Planning Applications
  - a) 06/00428/MRC – Mr & Mrs Burkhill, The Bungalow, Warehill Lane, Tollerton – revised application to remove agricultural occupancy condition. Approved prop. Mrs Jackson sec. Mrs Burch.
5. Planning Amendments
  - a) None
6. Planning Decisions and Appeals
  - a) 06/00069/FUL – Mr & Mrs Conning, Fleet Bank Lodge, Tolleroton – two storey extension to existing dwelling. APPROVED. Noted
  - b) 05/01285/OUT – Mr & Mrs Conning, Field east of Stark Farm, Sykes Lane, Tollerton – outline planning permission for the construction of an agricultural contractors storage building and an agricultural contractors workshop and surfaced yard. APPROVED. Noted
  - c) 05/02698/FUL – Mr & Mrs Jeffrey, Angel Inn Farm, Tollerton – alterations to existing agricultural building to form a dwelling. REFUSED. Noted
7. Financial Matters
  - a) Account balances – Treasurers £12,364.96 , BMM No1£37.61 , s.106 BMM £21.33, Scottish Widows a/c £51,949.78 (NB. – transfers of Scottish Widows money in Treasurers a/c yet to be effected)
  - b) Cheques were signed as follows:
    - £63.00 – Tollerton War Memorial Institute – rental for meetings
    - £1,000.00 – Tollerton Sprots and Recreation Club – donation as agreed
    - £240.88 – Abbey Pest Control
    - £487.74 – Allianz Cornhill – annual insurance premium
    - £25.00 – Yorkshire Rural Community Council – membership fee as agreed
    - £344.10 – Mrs E Rogers – Clerks services
    - £135.00 – Mr W Pratt – grass cutting
    - £30.00 donation to Hambleton Citizens Advice Bureau (see correspondence below)
    - £1,506.80 – Tollerton Parish Council Scottish Widows a/c – vat refund re: fencing at the playing field.

Approved: .....  
Chairman

8. Correspondence

- Hambleton Citizens Advice Bureau – request for financial assistance. It was agreed that £30 would be donated, as in previous years, prop. Mrs Jackson sec. Mrs Thompson
- Yorkshire Local Councils Association Membership. To be circulated but at £199 was deemed to be too expensive.
- Hambleton Community Safety Partnership letter and leaflet regarding dangerous driving. Mr Gilson-Fox was to take the leaflet and contact the partnership regarding a speed matrix sign.
- Hambleton District Council – dog warden service – noted
- Vitalise Charity request for financial assistance – circulate
- Hambleton District Council Local Development Framework – Statement of Community Involvement – circulate
- Defra – Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act – circulate
- Shaping Health – Patient & Public Involvement Forum for Hambleton & Richmondshire – circulate
- Hambleton District Council – District / Parish Liason meeting – circulate
- North Yorkshire County Council – Local Tip and recycling centre - circulate
- North Yorkshire County Council – review of contracted bus services – circulate although Tollerton itself was not affected.

10. Any Other Business

The pest control contractor had requested the names of the owners of the properties neighbouring the playing field so he could request access to treat the rabbits. The Clerk was advised it is Les Robinson and Clerk is to telephone.

The issue of the adoption of Ings View by Hambleton District Council was raised and Mrs Thompson advised that it was still ongoing. Hambleton District Council had granted retrospective planning permission for a barn that has been built over the water main serving the Ings View properties. This means that Yorkshire Water cannot access it and they will therefore not adopt it which has to occur before Hambleton will adopt the road. All parties concerned are aware of the situation but the Parish Council is not involved.

Mrs Thompson had been contacted by a parishioner expressing concern that Mr Wade should not take part in the affordable housing discussions as he is an interested party. Mr Wade's interest is two fold in that his house is under consideration for demolition to provide access to the site behind and he is also objecting to the Station Road site which is under consideration. Mrs Thompson had contacted Hambleton District Council who agreed that this is the case, however, Mr Wade could only be asked about his interest and the reply minuted. Any interested party should leave the room whilst the matter is under discussion although, again, no one can be forcibly removed.

Mrs Jackson raised the matter of the Clerks wages. These have remained static for five years and she proposed that they be increased at least in line with inflation. Mr Gilson-Fox suggested that 15% would be appropriate for the five year period sec. Mrs Jackson.

Meeting opened to the public

Mr Pratt requested that he purchase some weed killer to be used to tackle the dandelions on The Green and at Church Close. This was agreed provided it was not harmful to people or animals.

Mr Pratt advised that the new pest controller was doing a good job at the playing field and the allotments.

Mr Pratt advised that some of the allotments have been left untended and that the weeds are beginning to cause a problem. Clerk is to write to parties concerned and also to look into the rental cost.

The piping in of the ditch alongside the allotments was raised as the work has not been carried out. Mr Hardy was providing the piping and Mr Gilson-Fox is to contact him to ascertain the situation.

Meeting closed 8.10pm

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Chairman