

TOLLERTON PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH,
TOLLERTON ON TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER 2014 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: Councillors: Paula Thompson (Chairman), Peter Hope, Roger Spark.

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk: District Councillor Nigel Knapton.

5 members of the public were present.

14/129 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were apologies from Councillors Simpson & Wadsworth and the reasons were accepted. There were no declarations of interest.

14/130 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 SEPTEMBER 2014

Minutes previously circulated. These were accepted and signed as a correct record.

14/131 PUBLIC FORUM

The Clerk read out a statement from a member of the public who could not be present and did not support the benches location.

Further discussions took place on the location and style of the new memorial bench on the village green. Members of the public raised concerns regarding the heritage of the green and how the style of the bench does not fit an English village green setting. A bench made of oak and wrought iron would be preferable. An octagonal seat around the tree would give the opportunity for memorials to be made.

The Chairman said the Council would be willing to advertise the suggestion of an octagonal seat and see if there were people interested in contributing towards it. Many other sites had been identified and rejected. Part of the reason for choosing a composite bench was because it would require little or no upkeep, which the Parish Council would be responsible for paying.

Concerns were expressed regarding the composite nature of the bench and its contrast with the maple tree. It had so many bolts and would be more at home in Canary Wharf.

14/132 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. The public notice board had been installed and an invoice received. Thanks would be sent to Nigel Thompson who had undertaken the work at cost.
- b. Jeff Metcalfe had kindly replaced the light and had the lighting unit repaired. It was now on permanently. The Clerk had thanked him for his kind work.

14/133 CLERK'S REPORT

- a. The Clerk was still negotiating with the tenants on the eastern allotment site to have them move for next season so the improvement project could take place. One had asked whether they could stay on their existing plots. It was agreed that they would have to move in order for the works to take place.
- b. The bin that was falling over near the telephone exchange was fixed by Hambleton DC Streetscene a week after it was reported.
- c. The closure of Tollerton Explorers was noted with regret.

14/134 PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- a. 14/01969/FUL – Construction of a trellis fence in front of existing boundary fence at Holly Trees, South Back Lane, Tollerton for Mr G Campbell Robertson. **No objections.**

Approved Chairman

14/135 **HAMBLETON DC - PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS**

- a. 13/01975/FUL – Siting of a residential caravan to be used as ancillary accommodation to the main dwelling at Brickyard Farm, Tollerton for Mrs D Moore. **Granted.**

14/136 **DOG BAG DISPENSERS**

It was agreed to defer this item until next month so potential sites could be identified. The Clerk would contact the Hambleton DC Dog Warden to ask him to visit the village especially the Back Lane.

14/137 **PLAYGROUND INSPECTION**

The RosPA Playsafety inspection had been received and the Clerk would contact Dave Russen to see who the report should be sent to. He would also contact APLA in Alne to see who they use for maintenance repairs.

14/138 **PARKING**

Concerns had been raised regarding inconsiderate parking at the end of Church Close especially between 8.10am and 8.45am. This made it very dangerous for the school children waiting for the bus. The Clerk would contact the Community Safety Partnership and also the Civil Parking Enforcement Officers.

14/139 **RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Under the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014 it was now permitted for members of the public to record council meetings. It was agreed that some rules need to be adopted. The NALC draft rules were available and the Clerk would obtain Hambleton DC's rules for comparison.

14/140 **BANKING ARRANGEMENTS**

It was agreed that banking with Unity Trust Bank would be considered at the next meeting together with any other alternatives.

14/141 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a. Receipts and payments, bank balances and budget vs. actual were all noted.
- b. A list of the payments agreed is attached.

14/142 **CORRESPONDENCE**

A list of correspondence since the last meeting was noted and is attached.

14/143 **REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

County Councillor Sowray was not present.

14/144 **REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Knapton reported that negotiations with the Ministry of Justice continued regarding the Northallerton Prison site.

14/145 REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

Fly tipping continues near Warehills bridge. NYCC's charging for disposal of rubble may be aiding this. The Clerk would contact the Environment Agency.

All the green Public Footpath signs have vanished from the village. The stile on South Back Lane was still wobbly. The Clerk would contact NYCC Rights of Way Officer.

A Best Western sign had been erected at Tollerton Cross Lanes. The Clerk would check whether this requires planning permission.

The caravan in Tennis Court Lane is still there and occupied. The Clerk would find out when enforcement would take place.

14/146 MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA

Memorial Bench.

Banking arrangements.

Budget & Precept.

Dog bag dispensers.

Recording of council meetings.

14/147 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday 4 November 2014 at 7.30pm at the Church.

The meeting closed at 8.47pm

Payments

07/10/2014	G Marston	Grass cutting	£177.60
07/10/2014	Playsafety Ltd	Play equipment inspection	£96.00
07/10/2014	A & S Corner	Fencing	£850.06
07/10/2014	Rural Action Yorkshire	Membership	£35.00
07/10/2014	Nigel Knapton	Salary & Expenses	£130.50
07/10/2014	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE	£26.80

Correspondence

15/08/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning meeting
18/08/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning decision 13/01975/FUL
30/08/2014	A & S Corner	Fencing invoice
03/09/2014	Clerks & Councils Direct	Magazine
04/09/2014	HSBC	Bank statement
07/09/2014	Hambleton District Council	Budget consultation
08/09/2014	HSBC	Bank statement
12/09/2014	G Marston	Grass cutting invoice
13/09/2014	Rural Action Yorkshire	Annual Report
14/09/2014	Tollerton Mini Explorers	Closure
15/09/2014	Member of the Public	Parking at end of Church Close
17/09/2014	Member of the Public	Telephone box light
18/09/2014	Playsafety Limited	Report & Invoice
26/09/2014	Hambleton District Council	Planning application 14/01969/FUL
26/09/2014	Hambleton District Council	Precept remittance advice
27/09/2014	Rural Action Yorkshire	Membership

Approved Chairman