Minutes of Kirkby Malham PC Meeting 4th April 2011

Present

A Bradley, P Wherity, M. Throup, N.Carr. C.Wildman, S.Marshall, A.Sutcliffe

ROUTINE BUSINESS

- 1. Public questions none
- **2. Apologies** N.Heseltine, P. Dewhurst.
- **3. Minutes** of last meeting Only brief minutes of the January meeting were available but were approved with minor alterations. Minutes of the March meeting were also approved.
- **4. Matters arising** dealt with below under appropriate subheadings

5. Council matters

Malham Councillor Vacancy - Because the vacancy was due to a resignation we do not need to hold an election but can co-opt anybody that is willing and seems suitable. Several people have expressed an interest but Imogen Swales is the only one from Malham and it was thought that as the vacancy is for the Malham Ward she would be the ideal choice. C.Wildman to ask her if she is still willing.

It was agreed to add "County Councillors Report" as a heading to future agendas

6. Planning

5 Cove Rd, application to create a parking area to the front was discussed. It was decided that the plans were unsuitable on visual grounds and that they would not improve disabled access and may set a precedent that would lead to character of the street being lost.

Friars Garth Cottage. We decided to write in support of the application to add a small window to the property.

Village Green . The decision was taken to seek to extend the time scale for the Planning Permission relating to the work on the Village Green .

7. Finance

The training defibrillator has been purchased from acct no.1 which now has £8765.17 available. The first half of the precept is due shortly £11981.05 is available in acct no.2. after 2 months transactions from the LAFSC fund

A much improved deal with EON has been negotiated by P Dewhurst that will hopefully considerably reduce the energy bill for the toilets.

8. Community

Still waiting for news of the grant from the Millennium Trust, DEFRA have not yet agreed the funding for2011/12. It is not possible to start the work until we get the grant.

Village Green – We have been informed that J Cawood has now bought N Cawood's house.

Traffic and Transport. - We are still awaiting the yellow lines in the Brow Rd. Dangerous parking at the foot of the brow is still occurring. Is was agreed to write to the Police to try and get them to put some temporary

cones or lines on the road as it was considered that the parked cars may block access for the emergency services.

9. Environment

Some hardcore, soil. and grass seed mix has been added to the verge on the approach to the village. We will ask the lengthsman to put up some temporary signs or posts to try and discourage parking on the verge until it has re grown

We will approach Edinburgh Woollen Mills who own the Cove Centre to try and and clean up the land to the front of the building and if we receive no response the tenant will try and progress the matter.

It was decided to ask the lengthsman to pressure wash the bins to improve their appearance and we will investigate the possibility of replacing the bins with a more aesthetic design.

It was decided to improve the signs on the toilets .

The state of the pointing on the front of the Village Hall was discussed. If the Village Hall committee has limited funds it might be possible to use some of the LASFC funds to help them out.

It was agreed to set up a LASFC meeting with C Wildman, N Heseltine and A Boatwright before the next PC meeting.

The screening of the row of parked cars on the approach to the village was discussed. Planting along the east side of the road either on the embankment or in the field was discussed. Care would need to be taken to avoid undermining the wall and of causing a hazard by being too close to the road but it thought that in principle this was a good idea.

10. Correspondence

The Housing Development Plan has been received from the YDNP and it was agreed to discuss any matters arising from it and comment upon at the next meeting.

A letter was received from the National trust informing us that they are considering holding a Christmas concert below The Cove.

11.AOB

A complaint has been received about the large blue container sited in the grounds of Badger Hill. YDNP to be contacted.

Next meeting 9thMay Preceded by AGM ??? at 7.00pm