

Kirkby Malhamdale Parish Council

Minutes of meeting on Aug 1st 2011

Present C Wildman (chairman), N Heseltine (vice chairman), P Dewhurst (acting Clerk)
Councillors N Hart, P Wherity (treasurer), I Swales, M Throup, N Carr

1. Public questions – none

2. Apologies:- A Sutcliffe, A Bradley

3. Minutes of last meeting were accepted, prop Phill Dewhurst, sec. Imogen Swales.

4. Matters arising

- Neil Heseltine reported that the Cove Centre had been tidied up.
- Phill Dewhurst has arranged a site meeting with David Jones of NYCC highways re repair of The Brow. The meeting is to take place later in the week. Chris Wildman and several other councillors to attend. Norman Carr commented that water still runs out of the road surface and that this would need to be addressed before any resurfacing was attempted and that this be brought up at the meeting.
- Comment was made about the Scooter Club event on the Show field car park. Whilst most of the group were well organised and well behaved, there were some concerns over inappropriate behaviour meaning that any future booking would not be accepted.
- Imogen Swales rang BT to complain about the state of the public phone box. The phone is now working well and BT are keen to keep it working as it is one of their most successful boxes. They have agreed to renovate it as soon as they can (probably next year).

5. Council matters – no change in circumstances.

6. County Councillors report – no councillors present.

7. Planning

(a) decisions by YDNP

- YDNP did not get our decision re the 5 Cove Rd application. Phill Dewhurst was not at the meeting so no letter was forwarded. It was resolved that the Chair of the meeting would send any future replies in the Clerk's absence. A letter had been received from Planning that emphasised the importance of substantiated comment from local Parish Councils in bringing any contentious decisions to a committee.
- The 9m wind turbine at Windy Pike has been approved.

(b) Other Planning business - none

8. Finance

- Insurance, Legal Fees and Election Fees had been paid so £12,555 available in Acct 1
- £11,619 available in Acct 2 although £557 belongs to the brochure fund.
- the Parish accounts are with the External Auditor.
- The funds were considered adequate to cover any legal fees that may be possible and enough to help fund the village enhancement projects.

9. Community

a. LAFSC and Brochure – B Jackson has been unwell so not all monies from the milk kits have been available. We wished him a speedy recovery.

b. Village enhancement –

- It is possible that grant money will be available from the NYCC Leader Fund and the Millennium Trust, for possibly up to 40% of the project cost. They need a copy of our last 3 bank statements. Pat Wherity to forward to Chris Wildman and then Chris Wildman to apply. They meet on 24th Aug and a decision should be available within 2 weeks. We can then go ahead with the Bridge and signing projects.
- After a walk around the centre of the village the following actions were resolved .
 - (i) To replace the signs on the front of the building and make good the pointing
 - (ii) To sand down and repaint the soffit board at the front

- (iii) To employ a gardener, in the first instance to tidy the garden area and replant it. After the initial renovation Nita Hart volunteered to help keep it tidy and an advert is to be placed in the newsletter to reach any other likely volunteers.
 - (iv) To replace the existing bins with a Bolton Abbey style double bin system. (although Neil Heseltine and Mark Throup were in favour of doing away with the bins altogether). The lengthsman would be asked to periodically empty the recyclable waste into the communal recycling facility at the YHA building and to take any excess waste to the tip in Settle rather than to let it build up. He would also be asked to sweep up around the bin areas.
 - (v) A Bradley and Alan Boatwright would be asked if they could repair the bench near the bus stop and seeds would be scattered behind the bench to create a small wild flower garden.
- d. Village Green –
A letter has been received from J Cawood concerning access to Riverside Lodge. He is involved in discussions with YDNP Planning and Highways and is making a planning application to access his property from further along the road. Chris Wildman to thank him for his letter.
- c. Traffic and transport –
The Ice Cream Van is still parking on the double yellow lines. Phill Dewhurst to contact Sgt Moorhouse again.
The police are sourcing some speed detection equipment to help monitor speeding traffic.

10. Environment

It was agreed that Chris Wildman would formalise the tasks that we expect from the lengthsman and would meet with him to discuss this matter before the next meeting

The signs to protect the reseeded verges had finally arrived and were awaiting installation.

11. Correspondence

A letter has been received from S Tod re the garden in front of the toilets and the bins. These matters have been discussed above.

12. AOB - none

Next meeting 5th September

P Wherity and N Heseltine send their apologies