Kirkby Malhamdale Parish Council

Minutes (290) for Monday 5th March, 2018

Present - C Wildman (Chair), J Thacker, C Newhouse, T Bullough, P Wherity, N Heseltine,

Observing – M + SJ Harrop, M Wilson, A Heseltine, L + M Parker, L Hodson, D Newhouse, R Ingham, R + M Rand, D Brooks, Cllr Sutcliffe, Cllr Quinn

1. Public Questions

M Wilson mentioned that he had been experiencing a number of unsolicited phone calls. The Police and BT are not interested. The Chair suggested using the Call Preferencing Service. M Wilson would be interested in talking to anyone else who was experiencing the same problem.

2. Apologies

Apologies received from P Dewhurst and A Bradley

3. Minutes of the meeting held on the January

Approved by C Newhouse and seconded by Tony Bullough.

- 4. Matters arising / outstanding actions from February minutes
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- 02/10/17 PD to establish policies for climbing, abseiling, drones and filming.
- 02/10/17 PD to contact highways re sunken grate on road from Gordale to Lee Gate and large potholes near Gordale Bridge. Part of the road near the bridge has been resurfaced.
- 02/10/17 A Bradley is making fixings for new parking signs. DONE.
- 02/10/17 A Bradley to complete gold lettering on Malham stone at entrance to village at material cost of approx £50. This is weather dependant, will be done in the New Year.
- 02/10/17 L Hodson to bring back design for village entrance sign to Kirkby Malham. This will be after Kirkby Malham Parish meeting.
- 06/11/17 CW to source wooden 'no parking' signs by December meeting. 10 have been ordered. These have now arrived and with A. Boatwright for installing.
- 04/12/17 CW to set up meeting with YDNP re waymarkers etc.
- 04/12/17 CW to purchase new set of traffic cones. **DONE.**
- 04/12/17 Parish Councillors to give ideas to CW as to replacement for lengths man. **Done.**
- 04/12/17 L. Parker to purchase naturalised daffodils for 2018 planting.
 Volunteers will be needed
- 04/12/17 PD to contact Highways about blocked culvert at Cockthorne/ Back Lane in Kirkby Malham
- 05/02/18 NH to follow up with Environment Agency re concerns about the beck, the cloudy condition of the water, recent plywood debris in the water and how they are monitoring, and how often, the situation. NH followed up concerns. The EA issue a licence to NYCC to monitor. DONE.
- 05/02/18 PD to firm up proposal for double yellow lines up Finkle Street by 5 March in readiness for submission to CDC in April.
- 05/02/18 L+M Parker volunteered to create 'police' parking signs for the 'motorway' and Finkle Street. No longer needed now we have 'no parking signs'. DONE.
- 05/02/18 PD to put NYCC weather links (as advised by Cllr Quinn) onto Malhamdale facebook page or website
- 05/02/18 NH/CW to agree bid writing date for SDF funding for Parking Feasability Study. CW and JT to meet re SDF application.
- 05/02/18 PD to write to R Rand. DONE.
- 05/02/18 PD to follow up the possibility of having the speed limit reduced to 20mph through Malham Village
- 05/02/18 PD to purchase and have filled 5 salt bins.
- 05/02/18 S Tod to bring K9 Gaslight progress update to 5/03/18 PC meeting.
 Other attendees informed the meeting that a meeting is planned with YDNP to gauge their interest. CW welcomed the K9 idea and is keen to support.

5. Council Matters

Election of Parish Council in May. No one is resigning and no one is contesting. Phil Dewhurst has said that if it is not contended between March 27th and April 6th then the Parish Council remains as is. However, members of the Parish Council need to get together and complete relevant forms prior to March 27th.

6. County Councillors Report

NYCC have a 'community gritting partnership'- how Parish and Town Councils can get together to undertake this activity and purchase cheaper grit bins, salt and grit etc. 'Twitter Gritter' information was also supplied.. Cllr Quinn asked if there was a response to Phil Dewhurst's email to Area 5 regarding urgent need for a snow blower. The Parish Council felt the response was quick given the severity of the snow and pressures on the A65 etc. Particular thanks was given to the 'Farming Community' for their sterling work in responding to the weather crisis. Chris Wildman reported a complaint from the public via the Police re cow muck on the road in Kirkby Malham. Gary Atkinson from Highways came out to investigate.

7. District Councillors Report

Local Plan; the responses are still being disseminated. Consultation to be completed by the end of March. There are still issues with fly tipping. A case recently was a builder from Hull. Issue could be waste permit licence costs for builders. Hellifield Flashes likely to be April 19th for feedback and earliest for a planning meeting would be May 2018. Purdah commences March 27th until May 3rd.

8. Comment and input from YDNP

Nothing to report

9. Parking Strategy for Malham

Chris Wildman and Joyce Thacker to meet re SDF funding. Cricket Field was open the weekend before last which eased pressure on the Village. New traffic cones have been ordered and signs are to go up regarding parking on the verges.

10. Planning

a/ Decisions by YDNP

Nothing to report

b/ New Applications

Townend Cottage, Chapel Gate, Malham. The Parish Council supported the application.

c/ Other planning business

None

11. Finance

No 1 account - £ 8335.00 No 2 account - £ 22,662.00

M Briggs had been paid £80 for rebuilding the wall by the toilets due to bus damage, £120 accounts audit, £600 Webbers Tree Surgeon (Plantation), VAT had been reclaimed for the last 18 months, £201paid to Yorkshire Water, £16 paid to EON.

M Wilson raised the question to the Parish Council as to what was the point in having all this money from the milk kits. Pat Wherity responded that money raised just about paid for the grass cutting, public toilets etc. Any village improvements or enhancement projects would be welcome for the Parish Council to consider. Funds might be needed in the future to pay a traffic warden or also paying the Lengthsman to do the poo bins if willing volunteers were scarce. Cllr Sutcliffe said Gargrave Paris Council had over £110 k in their reserves. Another suggestion made would be to buy our own snow plough blade to fit to local tractors.

12. Community

(a) LAFSC & Brochure

60,000 brochures have now been printed for 2018. The poo bins have been highlighted on the map. 50,000 have been distributed over the north of England by the printers and 10,000 are available in the Farm Shop for distribution locally. A Boatwright has completed his first month of putting out the cones and charged £45 for the month. R Rand appreciated the Parish Council thank you letter The donation box was repairable. Water is still frozen in the Ladies toilets. Neil Heseltine queried if there is frost stats in the toilets. Chris Wildman advised that they were removed. M Wilson queried jobs that needed picking up by the lengths man. E.g. sweeping double yellow lines however this was a highways job.. Cllr Quinn will follow up with Highways.

(b) Village Green

Nothing to add

(c) Traffic + Transport –

New bus timetable has been received. Neil Heseltine asked if we could raise the issue of the time available in Skipton as it was 1 hour 40 minutes only and not much

use for local users. To ask for a representative from Wharfedale Packhorse Community Bus to attend a future Parish council meeting. A Heseltine queried why we cannot use the school bus to get to Skipton anymore. It was explained that the bus is full from Gargrave to Skipton.

(d) Maintenance and Repair Issues

Some potholes have been filled in around the Dale but seem of a temporary nature. A resident asked if the curve / cobbles at Chapel Gate could be repaired by Highways. CW will pass to PD to take up with Highways.

13. Malhamdale Emergency Plan

JT and M Harrop informed the meeting that our draft plan received positive feedback from Tim Townsend, NYCC Risk and Resilience Team. Small cost would be needed from the Parish Council regarding creating a simple sand / bag store. This was supported by the Parish Council. A 'desk top exercise' is planned for Tuesday March 20th in the afternoon. We will evaluate how this goes and revise our plan accordingly. We will report back at the April meeting.

14. Environment -

Chris Wildman said there was a lot of discussion recently on reducing use of plastics. Cllr Sutcliffe was asked if we could source from the recycling team the best advice and bring back for a future meeting. Discussion then went onto becoming a 'plastic free' Dale. It was felt the National Park should look at this and take forward.

15. Correspondence –

a/ Glasdon brochure

b/ Clerks and Councils Direct magazine

c/ Letter from Craven District Council about the Parish Liaison meeting on Wednesday 21st March, 6.30pm at the Council Offices on Broughton Road.

d/ Julian Smith MP surgery dates for notice board

16. Any other business

a/Tom Twistleton Exhibition March 21st to April 4th at Malham Village Hall.

b/ Parish Council minutes on Malhamdale website

c/ Malham Parish Meeting - Thursday March 22nd

d/ Faery Steps footbridge one hand rail only - Rob Ashford YDNP

e/ M Wilson raised the issue of filming at Gordale Scar and the need for the Parish Council policy on filming

f/ In 2018, M Wilson will spray the nettles on Cove road. Cllr Quinn confirmed this had been approved at an earlier meeting.

Date of Next Meeting: April 9th 2018

Subsequent meetings: 14th May, 4th June, 2nd July, 3rd September, 1st October, 5th November, 3rd December

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- 05/03/18 Cllr Quinn to follow up with Highways about getting yellow lines on roads swept.
- 05/03/18- PD to ask Highways to repair cobbles/road edge adjacent to Chapel.
- 05/03/18 PD to invite representative from Wharfedale Packhorse Community Transport to talk at a future parish council meeting.
- 05/03/18 Cllr Sutcliffe to source latest recycling advice from Craven recycling team.
- 05/03/18 CW to put latest approved minutes on a monthly basis on Malhamdale website.