

# Kirkby Malhamdale Parish Council

## Minutes (307) for Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

**Present** – C Wildman (Chair), J Thacker, C Newhouse, M Throup, A Bradley, P Wherity

**Observing** – A Heseltine, D Newhouse, M Wilson, L + M Parker, M + SJ Harrop, J Rodgers, L + K Hodson, R + M Rand

### 1. Public Questions

There were none

### 2. Apologies

N Heseltine, P Dewhurst, Cllr Sutcliffe, Cllr Quinn

### 3. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes were proposed as correct by C Newhouse and seconded by A Bradley

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- 13/05/19 – Contact Bridge section at NYCC to ask them to reinstate the village green at Kirkby Bridge, remove concrete bases under bridge, check alignment of walls – **Cllr Quinn to chase up. PD to follow up with Highways as to lack of progress. Work has been undertaken to remove concrete/ tidy up village green. We are not happy with the standard of the work but accept that we are unlikely to achieve anything further. DONE.**
- 03/06/19 – Check if fallen wall at Deadman’s Lane is YDNP remit – **CW. YHA have repaired the wall. DONE.**
- 01/07/19 – Letters to be sent to 3 field owners re car parking – **CW agreed it should be sent in his name. PD to action. DONE**
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## **5. Council Matters**

None

## **6. County Councillors Report**

Nothing received from Cllr Quinn.

## **7. District Councillors Report**

Nothing received from Cllr Sutcliffe

## **8. Comment and input from YDNP**

Nothing received from Rob Ashford

## **9. Parking Strategy for Malham / Malhamdale**

The sub-committee held a meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> September. The minutes are to be ratified at this PC meeting. A Bradley proposed and C Newhouse seconded. A Malham Trust – Could the Malhamdale Initiative be adapted to meet the needs of a voluntary giving scheme. JT exploring if this is feasible. Next meeting is 28<sup>th</sup> October – 8pm Malham Village Hall.

## **10. Planning**

a. Decisions by YDNPA

Kirkby Beck Farm has been approved

b. New Applications

C/37/17d – Badger Hill, Hanlith – No comment from PC

C/54/111b – Stirk House, Malham – Support

C/55/70 – Shepherds Cottage, Malham Tarn - No comment from PC  
C/55/33b – Waterhouses Field, Malham Tarn – No comment from PC  
C/55/49a – Malham Tarn House, Malham Tarn – No comment from PC

c. Other Planning Business  
None

#### **11. Finance**

Acct 1 - £15,563.31 – same as September 2019

Acct 2 - £21,187,14  
(£3426 – MIF)  
(£1284 – Brochure)  
= £16,476.24 available

#### **12. Community**

##### **LAFSC & Brochure**

There are not many new brochures left. There are 2 old boxes left and the Vic in Kirkby Malham has requested more brochures. The transfer from the 'old' to the 'new' lengthsman has gone well. A Boatwright is still OK to continue cutting the grass until spring 2020 at which point he would like to pass over the current Lengthsman. There is a Malhamdale Initiative grass cutter, shed and tools in the house of Sandy Tod. This will need to be relocated somewhere ASAP as Sandy is moving. C Newhouse volunteered to provide a temporary home for this equipment.

##### **Village Green**

Nothing further to update.

##### **Traffic and Transport**

The winter weekend bus service is to be resumed at the end of October. Concern was raised about the bus driver not stopping for passengers at the bus stop in the YDNP car park. M Wilson raised concerns at damaged roadside walls near the school. Some of the walls on the roadside have been repaired

##### **Maintenance and Repair**

A pothole has appeared outside Beck Hall car park. This has been reported to the Highways. The ditch on the roadside by Ashley's Barn has collapsed and now water is running down the roadside past Cherries Farm. This needs to be reported to the Highways. Also there is concern about the blockage of a drain outside 8 Cove Road this is as a result of inadequate drainage washing gravel down onto Cove Road. Also a drain outside the entrance to M Luscombe's house (Kirkby Brow) is blocked and will cause ice and danger in the colder months

#### **13. Environment**

The MEG meetings are a sub-committee of the PC. There has been a request for funds to have their meetings in the Village Hall. One event already held on 14<sup>th</sup> September for furniture and goods upcycling.

There will be some tree planting later in the year. YDMT will be providing the trees and volunteers planting them. Another tree planting session is planned for winter 2020/21 once parcels of land have been agreed.

The YHA have now banned all single use plastic bottles on their premises. MEG wants to encourage the National Park visitor centre to do the same. MEG to draft a letter and CW will send off on behalf of the PC.

There will be a visit to Keasden Head Farm on 13th November re their Wildlife Corridor development. Letter has gone to school re Forest School and sustainable development.

Next meeting is 24<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm Malham Village Hall. CW is keen to promote this on the Malhamdale website.

#### **14. Emergency Plan**

The EP is due its bi-annual update. The only amendment is the addition of the location of a second sand bag store in YDNP car park adjacent to Coopers Laithe. M Boatwright has quoted £300 to

timber clad 2 plastic containers to store sandbags. The total cost will be £500. The sandbags and delivery will be free from NYCC resilience plan. The PC approved these costs.

### 15. Correspondence

The YDNP annual forum 2019 is to be held in Middleham Key Centre, Middleham DL8 4RA between 13.30 – 16.00 on 29th November.

Craven Community Champions Award. Nominations to be received by 10<sup>th</sup> November.

### 16. Any other business

- **Kirkby Malham Parish meeting** – 18 people attended last Thursday. The heating in the Parish Hall is now complete along with double glazing. Pinfold – store bins from cottages. It's on the historic register. YDNP to be asked (again) to provide a plaque. The land is registered with the Parish Council. Will examine the condition of the walls / and any bids for improvements to SDF.
- Footpath down from the church requires hand rails and more cement on the steps.
- Back Lane from Malham Road to Green Gates has been raised; the drain isn't clearing the water and needs some attention. This is to be reported to Highways. L Hodson will talk to YDNP about the condition of Back lane.
- Speeding through the village. Can be like a race track. People don't always adhere to the 30 mph limit. A feature is to go into the Parish magazine to remind people to set a good example.
- Dog Poo – information leaflet to be made available to all households. K Thompson will prepare a leaflet. Worthwhile considering for the Parish magazine.
- Footpath at Holgate Head – urgently needs cleaning. A request to be made to Highways. Bulbs are to be planted on the opposite side of the road to the footpath.
- The Village Green at the bridge to be part of the grass cutting schedule for the lengthsman.
- A bulb is needed in the telephone box. It is a working box and has been listed. British Telecom to be contacted.
  
- M Wilson brought up cost of cheaper toilet rolls from Aldi rather than the ones we currently use in the public toilets which has a central plastic core. CW to investigate if we can get a more environmentally friendly loo roll.
- M Wilson reported that there will be a wedding on 23<sup>rd</sup> May at Gordale campsite. This will coincide with the first day of the Safari.
- M Wilson sought the PC opinion on him hosting a music festival at Gordale. It was stated that the PC cannot help with this matter as its private land. A licence would have to be applied for.
- M Throup raised concerns at the National Trust are proposing to cut down perfectly good and healthy trees and leave the dying Chalara Ash trees. CW to contact Fran Graham from the National Trust.
- Roger Rand asked if the tree stump in the beck could be removed as it has now washed itself down to near Julie Cawoods house. M Throup to remove.
- C Newhouse asked if the weekly bin emptying was taking place. The lengthsman reported they had been done.

Date of Next Meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 - Start time at 7.30 pm

Subsequent meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> December

6<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020  
2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020  
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- 07/10/19 – report blocked drain on highway outside M Luscombe's farm on Kirkby Brow. **PD**
- 07/10/19 – **MEG group** to draft letter re single use of plastics for the PC for **CW** to send out to businesses.
- 07/10/19 - Footpath from the church car park over Kirkby Beck needs handrail and steps repairing. **PD to commission repair.**
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- 07/10/19 – Contact Fran Graham re proposal to remove healthy Sycamore Trees at Janet's Foss. **CW**
- 07/10/19 – Remove tree stump from Beck near New Bridge. **MT**