

**AN ORDINARY MEETING OF BISHOP THORNTON AND  
WARSILL PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN  
BISHOP THORNTON CE SCHOOL, BISHOP THORNTON  
ON THURSDAY, 31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2008 AT 7.30 pm**

- 1. PRESENT:** Cllr Mr B Baker (Chair), Cllr Mrs B Rickards, Cllr Mrs A Peacock Cllr Mr R Hughes, Cllr CA Stobbs the Clerk and eight members of the public.
- 2. APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Dr J Gillingham (7.31 p.m.)
- 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**  
Cllr Mrs B Rickards made the following declaration:  
A personal, pecuniary and non-prejudicial interest in the reporting of Parish Council meetings for the Pateley Bridge and Nidderdale Herald. (7.33 p.m.)
- 4. MINUTES:** Minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> November 2007 and a General Purpose Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2007 were agreed to be a true record of proceedings and duly signed by the Chair. (UNANIMOUS DECISION) (7.34 p.m.)
- 5. EXEMPT INFORMATION:**  
There were no exempt information items. (UNANIMOUS DECISION) (7.35 p.m.)
- 6. MATTERS ARISING:**  
There were no matters arising from previous minutes not covered on the agenda. (7.36 p.m.)
- 7. PLANNING:**
- 7.1.** The following Planning Applications relevant to the area have been received for consideration since the last meeting of the full Parish Council/General Purposes Committee.
- (a) LAND TO EAST OF APPLETREE COTTAGE, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.68.OUT): Outline application for the erection of 1 detached dwelling with siting and access considered (Site Area 0.04 ha) for Mr D Warwick – **NEITHER OBJECTED TO NOR SUPPORTED** (Commented on access and a requirement to build in stone).
- (b) MILL RACE, SHAW MILLS – (6.61.123.D.FUL): Erection of two storey site extension for Mr and Mrs A Homer - **NEITHER OBJECTED TO NOR SUPPORTED** (Commented on obstructed access to sewer/culvert and for electricity services).
- (c) LAND TO WEST OF WEST END BARN, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.150.A.OUT): Outline application for the erection of one detached dwelling and formation of new vehicle access with layout and access considered (Site Area 0.09 ha) (Revised Scheme) for Messrs G Kirby & Sons – **SUPPORTED** (After listening to David Boulton's explanation of HBC'S current planning policy and discussing HBC's proposed Affordable Housing scheme (See item 10) for this site Councillors agreed to support this application). (UNANIMOUS DECISION)

**7.2.** Notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council/ General Purposes Committee that the following Planning Application, relevant to the area, has been granted.

(a) FARM VIEW HALL LIVERY, WARSILL – (6.60.28.G.FUL):

Erection of detached stable block for Mr and Mrs C Cockburn

(b) WEST END FARM, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.74.F.FUL):

Erection of two storey side extension and side porch for Judith Duxbury.

**7.3.** No notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council/ General Purposes Committee that any Planning Application, relevant to the area, has been refused

**7.4.** Notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee that the following Planning Application, relevant to the area, has been withdrawn.

(a) BARN SOUTH EAST OF HARDGATE COTTAGE, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.154.FUL): Conversion of barn to form dwelling with single storey rear extension, installation of new package treatment plant and alteration to vehicular access (Site Area 0.03 ha) for Mr D Kirby.

**7.5.** Notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council/ General Purposes Committee that the following Planning Application, relevant to the area may have been in breach of planning control.

(a) MIDDLE FARM, WARSILL – (07/00641) – Erection of stables by Mr & Mrs C Cockburn (See item 7.2 (a)).

**7.6.** Notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council/ General Purposes Committee that the following Planning Application, relevant to the area, has been taken to appeal.

(a) LAND TO REAR OF 26,30,34,36,38,40,& 44, Colber Lane, Bishop Thornton – (6.61.12.E.CO.U): Change of use from agricultural use to extend domestic curtilages for owners. The appeal date has been set for 19<sup>th</sup> February 2008. Councillors agreed that Cllr Mr B Baker would attend the hearing. (UNANIMOUS DECISION)

**7.7.** No additional planning matters were discussed.

(8.00 p.m.)

## **8. FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

**8.1 PAYMENTS:** The following payments were agreed.

(a) J.A. GANT – half-yearly expenses to 31/01/08 – £500.00

(b) SLCC – Annual Membership Renewal Fee - £ 30.00

(c) M. JOHNSON - Half-yearly fee to 31/01/08 for cleaning Bishop Thornton Bus Shelter - £ 15.00

(UNANIMOUS DECISION)

**8.2 OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS:** There were no other financial matters discussed.

(8.05 p.m.)

## 9. HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

### 9.1

(a) **DROVERS CROSSROADS:** – Cllr Mr B Baker reported that despite his best efforts to arrange a site meeting with NYCC's Highways Improvements Manager, Mr Major had been too busy to fix a date. The Clerk reported that she had received letters and e-mails from both Mr T Snowden and District Cllr Mr M Harrison regarding various incidents and the Drovers and the slow but progressive nature of the planning process. Mr David Boulton from Carter Jonas, a representative for Mr Snowden, confirmed that negotiations with HBC Planning Officers are well under way and that more detailed planning proposals should be available in the next couple of months.

### (b) ROAD REPAIRS:

(i) **WARSILL** - Cllr Mr B Baker reported that he had hoped to meet NYCC Highways Engineer, Mr Simon Foster earlier today regarding various matters relating to the lanes and gullies in Warsill but the meeting had been postponed for a day. Cllr Baker stated that he had also spoken to Mr C Cockburn regarding the state of the lanes in Warsill and had gathered that Mr Cockburn was considering a number of ways to improve the current drainage problems.

(ii) **BRIDGE, SHAW MILLS** – Cllr Mr B Baker reported that repairs to the Bridge in Shaw Mills were due to get underway soon.

(iii) **CUT THROAT LANE** – Cllr Mrs B Rickards reported that Cut Throat Lane was in need of repair following the recent rains. Cllr Mr Baker undertook to mention the matter to Simon Foster.

(iv) **HIGHFIELD LANE** – Cllr Mr A Stobbs reported that Highfield Lane needs resurfacing. Cllr Mr Baker undertook to mention this matter to Simon Foster.

(v) **ROAD SUBSIDENCE** – Cllr Mr Stobbs and Cllr Mr Baker drew Councillors attention to the fact that various roads were in need of repair as a result of the recent bad weather. Cllr Mr Baker also undertook to mention this matter to Simon Foster.

### 9.2 OTHER HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

(a) **PROPOSED DIVERSION OF BRIDLEWAY NO.15.13./37 & FOOTPATH NO.15.13/36, WOODFIELD MILL, BISHOP THORNTON** - Councillors discussed the proposed diversion of the above routes and agreed not to object to the proposal but to suggest to NYCC's Public Rights of Way Officer, Mr A Hunter that refuge places for both walkers and horse riders need to be provided at a number of points along the route.

**(UNANIMOUS DECISION)**

(b) **TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF PEDESTRIANS ALONG BRIDLEWAY NO'S 15.55/18 & 15.13/34, BISHOP THORNTON** – To allow for repairs to be undertaken to the bridge across Thornton Beck between Hartwith cum Winsley & Bishop Thornton near Woodfield House from 4<sup>th</sup> February 2008 to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2008 inclusively.

(c) **VILLAGE SAFETY SCHEME, COLBER LANE, BISHOP THORNTON** – Mr T Mounsey requested information regarding the progress of the Village Safety Scheme Bid for funds to provide a lay-by below Bishop Thornton CE School on Colber Lane. The Clerk reported that the bid has been granted in incremental amounts of £3,000 per annum and that a further £6,000, including this years £3,000 bid, is required to obtain the £12,000 NYCC Highways estimated it would cost to complete the project.

(8.20 p.m.)

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**10. HBC'S RURAL HOUSING COACH TOUR & LUNCH:**

Cllr Mrs B Rickards gave a brief report of the coach tour and lunch which took place on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2008 including information on the methodology HBC uses in assessing rural housing needs as well as detailing the designs, prices and locations of a number of the established Affordable Housing Schemes visited on the day. (8.23 p.m.)

**11. CONSULTATION ON ORDERS AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE CONDUCT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS:**

Councillors acknowledged receipt of the consultation document relating to the conduct of local authority members and agree not to make any comments. (UNANIMOUS DECISION)  
(8.25 p.m.)

**12. HBC'S LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK:**

Councillors acknowledged receipt of information regarding HBC's proposed Local Development Framework with specific reference to the land to the West of West End Barn, Bishop Thornton which the Council has earmarked for a possible five affordable Houses before the year 2021. In light of the existing planning application (See item 7.1.(c)) Councillors agreed not to comment on the Local Development Framework. (UNANIMOUS DECISION)  
(8.27 p.m.)

**13. NYCC'S MINERALS & WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK CORE STRATEGY SUBMISSIONS:**

Councillors acknowledged receipt of information (8.29 p.m.)

**14. OTHER URGENT BUSINESS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA (For Information Only):**

- (a) LOCAL ELECTIONS – The Clerk drew Councillors attention to the fact that both the District and Parish Council Elections is scheduled take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May and that the election timetable has now been published.
- (b) NYCC WINTER SERVICE – Councillors acknowledged receipt of information regarding NYCC's Winter Service including details of prioritised gritting routes.

(8.33 p.m.)

**15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.34 pm and arranged for the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council to take place on **Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2008** at 7.30 pm in Bishop Thornton CE School.

**The Minutes were agreed and signed as being a true record of proceeding by the Chairperson at an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2008.**