

AN ORDINARY MEETING OF BISHOP THORNTON & WARSILL

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th October 2011

in Bishop Thornton RC School.

Present:

Cllr (Chair) Mr B Baker, Cllr (Vice Chair) Mr R Hughes, Cllr Mrs A Peacock and Cllr Mrs B Rickards.

Also in attendance:

The Clerk and a member of the Public.

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- 1 **WELCOME.**
Cllr Mr B Baker welcomed everybody to the meeting.
- 2 **APOLOGIES.**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr CA Stobbs and Cllr Dr J Gillingham. 7.31 p.m.
- 3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**
(i) Cllr Mrs B Rickards declared 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.**
The Minutes of the last Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 29th September 2011 in Warsill Parish Hall were confirmed as being an accurate account of proceedings and duly signed by the Chairman. (UNANIMOUS DECISION) 7.34 p.m.
- 5 **EXEMPT INFORMATION.**
There were no exempt matters. 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) BISHOP THORNTON CE SCHOOL, BISHOP THORNTON – (NY/2011/0370/FUL): Canopy to the rear of the building with a new double door access from existing classroom for Bishop Thornton CE Governors - **NO OBJECTIONS.** (UNANIMOUS DECISIONS)
- 7.2 Notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council/General Purposes Committee that the following Planning Application(s), relevant to the area, have been granted:
(a) OAKWOOD HOUSE, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.104.T.DVCON): Application for further minor material amendment in relation to permission 6.61.104.R.FUL to allow installation of 5 roof lights and 144 solar panels for Mr and Mrs Cryer
(b) BISHOP THORNTON RC SCHOOL, BISHOP THORNTON –

- (6.61.110.C.FUL): Erection of extension to provide office, toilet facilities, cloak facilities and classroom to replace temporary classroom for Mr K Atkinson.
- (c) OS FIELD 7175, BOWES GREEN FARM, BISHOP THORNTON –
(6.61.94.J.FUL): Erection of 12.4 6 meter high wind turbine for Mr S Sowray.

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

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No notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee that any Planning Applications, relevant to the area, have been withdrawn.

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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)

2 NEW COTTAGES, BISHOP THORNTON – (11/00387/PR15): Erection of garage – Retrospective planning consent is required but has not yet been sought.

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Notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council/ General Purposes Committee that the following Planning Applications, relevant to the area, have been sent to appeal:

(a)

MIDDLE FARM, WARSILL – (11/00075/ENFNOT): The unauthorised material change of use of land to the mixed use for agriculture and for the residential occupation of 2 static caravans by Mr D Cockburn. No further developments.

(b)

BRIMHAM ROCKS COUNTY COTTAGES, HIGH NORTH, FELLBECK – (11/00065/ENFNOT): Hot tubs etc by Mr D Beswick. No further developments.

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(a)

The following additional planning matters were discussed:
DROVERS INN, BISHOP THORNTON – The Chairman summarised developments since the last Parish Council meeting including the fact the HBC'S Planning had in principal approved a application to demolish the Drovers and build a large farmhouse style property in the middle of the site so improving the sightline at the crossroads. The matter has since been referred to the Council's Development sub-committee due to the fact that the development goes against HBC Development Strategy. The Sub-committee conclusions are still awaited.

7.50 p.m.

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FINANCIAL MATTERS:

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PAYMENTS: There were no payments to agree.

8.2

OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS: The following additional financial matter was discussed.

(a)

PRECEPT – Councillors acknowledged receipt of 2nd instalment 2011/12 - £900

7.52 p.m.

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- 9.1 **HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:**
- (a) **BUS SERVICE** – Cllr Mrs B Rickards reported that the Little Red Bus had still not replaced the bus timetable in the notice board on the bus stop at Shaw Mills and asked the Clerk contact the Little Red Bus Company again requesting a new timetable at the Bus Stop.
- 9.2. **OTHER HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:** The following additional Highway and Transportation matters were discussed:
- (a) **BLOCK CULVERT, FOUNTAINS ROAD, BISHOP THORNTON** – In the absence of Cllr Mr CA Stobbs the Clerk was asked, on his behalf, to report the problems caused during recent heavy rains by a blocked culvert on Fountains Road to the NYCC Highways Department, requesting the matter be dealt with at the earliest opportunity.
- 10 **HBC/PC ANNUAL CONSULTATION MEETING 2011** – After further discussion Councillors agreed not to attend or submit an item for the agenda of the meeting that the next Group 4 Consultation meeting between HBC and Parish Council will take place on Tuesday 29th November in Pateley Bridge Council Offices. (UNANIMOUS DECISION) 7.58 p.m.
- 11 **COMMUTED SUMS** – After discussing the imminent spend dates of outstanding Commuted Sums Parishes Councillors concluded that the headings under which the outstanding Commuted Sums are held by HBC did not correlate with the requirements of the Parish and agreed that there was little to be done in face of the restrictive headings under which HBC operate the scheme. 8.00 p.m.
- 12 **NIDDERDALE SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS GROUP** – Councillors agreed the Cllr Mr B Baker would attend the next meeting of the NSNG is scheduled for Wednesday 30th November at 7.30p.m.in the School Room, Dacre. (UNANIMOUS DECISION) 8.03 p.m.
- 13 **LDF DISTRICT WIDE POLICIES FOR MANAGING NEW DEVELOPMENT** - Councillors acknowledged receipt of information regarding HBC’s District wide policies for managing new development and Open Space and Village Hall provision within the Parish and concluded that the information requested regarding open space and Village Hall provision in the Parish did not address the issues raised by the Parish ie the lack of / availability of a large area of open space for community use and asked that the Clerk write a letter to HBC detailing the Parishes problems with regard to identifying ‘Open Spaces’. (UNANIMOUS DECISION) 8.05 p.m.
- 14 **PROPOSED PARLIAMENTARY BOUNDARY CHANGES** - Councillors discussed the proposed Parliamentary Boundary Changes at some length and agreed that the Clerk should write to the Boundary pointing out that the demographic and topographic differences across the proposed Leeds North West and Nidderdale constituency within which the Parish lays will lead to the concerns of the northern minority rural area being neglected or at best viewed as having secondary importance to the issues raised by those in the more densely populated Leeds District. (UNANIMOUS DECISION) 8.08 p.m.
- 15 **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA**
- (a) **ELECTRICITY SUB-STATION, SHAW MILLS** – Cllr Mrs Rickards again informed the meeting that the lattice fence surrounding the sub-station at the bottom of Grange Close had been damaged in the wind and asked that the Clerk

report the raise matter with NEDL. The Clerk reported that NEDL had issued a works number for the job.

- (b) **DROVERS CROSSROADS** – Cllr Mrs A Peacock again raised the issue of the restricted sight-line at the Drovers Crossroads. The Clerk reported that the fence had been drawn back to the wall and the bushes cut back on the instruction of Carter Jonas, the agent for Mr T Snowden.

8.14 p.m.

16 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15 pm and called the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council for Thursday, 24th November 2011 at 7.30 p.m. 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 24th November 2011

J A Gant Clerk to Bishop Thornton & Warsill