

**AN ORDINARY MEETING OF BISHOP THORNTON & WARSILL  
PARISH COUNCIL**

**Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2010  
in Warsill Parish Hall.**

**Present:**

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

**Also in attendance:**

District Cllr Mrs C Hill, the Clerk and a member of the Public.

**A copy of all the papers are held in the Minutes File**

- 1     **WELCOME.**  
Cllr Mr B Baker welcomed everybody to the meeting.
- 2     **APOLOGIES.**  
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mr C A 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  
(ii) Nidderdale Herald. 7.33 p.m.  
Cllr Mrs B Rickards declared a personal, pecuniary and non-prejudicial interest in items 7.1 (a) and (f) on the agenda.
- 4     **MINUTES.**  
The Minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2010 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) PINE GARTH, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.107.B.FUL): Conversion of agricultural barn to form 1 dwelling (Site area 0.05ha) for Mr C Anthony Stobbs – **NO OBJECTION**  
(b) OAKWOOD HOUSE, BISHOP THORNTON - (6.61.104.R.FUL): Erection of detached storage building for Mr A Cryer - **NO OBJECTION**  
(c) RAVENTOFTS LODGE, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.46.B.FUL): Erection of bay window to front for Mr Mike Slights. - **NO OBJECTION**  
(d) DUKES PLACE STABLES, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.161.FUL): Erection of stable block with tack room and formation of ménage with surrounding fence for Mr R Johnson. - **NO OBJECTION**  
(e) CARAVAN, GILLMOOR FARM, BISHOP THORNTON –(6.61.160.A.FUL):

- Erection of log cabin for 1 dwelling for Mr Brian Fawcett - **NO OBJECTION**
- (f) LAND COMPRISING ROUGH GROUND at E 426084 N 464388, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.54.I.FUL): Erection of agricultural building for housing livestock for Mr Stobbs - **NO OBJECTION**

(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) ROSEBERRY COTTAGE, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.95.J.FUL): Erection of single storey extension for Mr Nick Jones.
- (b) BOWES GREEN FARM, BISHOP THORNTON – (6.61.94.H.FUL): Erection of agricultural building for A Sowray and Sons.
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7.3 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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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 SOUTH FARM, WARSILL (6.60.28): Siting of 2 caravans for residential use.
- (b) THORNTON MOOR FARM, BISHOP THORNTON (6.61.43): Siting of large static caravan to rear of farmhouse and screening fence.

7.6 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 granted after being sent to appeal.

7.7 The following additional planning matter was discussed:  
BRIDLEWAY No 15. 13/37 & FOOTPATH No 15 13/36 WOODFIELD MILL, BISHOP THORNTON: Order to divert as sent to the Planning Inspectorate under Highway Act 1980 Section 119.

8.18 p.m.

**8 FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

8.1 PAYMENTS: The following payments were agreed:

- (a) MAZARS - Annual Audit Fee - £58.75

(UNANIMOUS DECISIONS)

8.2 OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS:

- (a) MAZARS PC AUDIT 2009/10 – Councillors acknowledged receipt of completed Audit

- (b) **COMMUTED SUM** – The Clerk informed Councillors that two benches have now been purchased under the provision of HBC’s Commuted Sum Scheme and are being stored at Throstle Nest Farm. Councillors agreed in the absence of Cllr Mr A C Stobbs to defer further discussion of the benches, the preferred locations and the use of Commuted Sums to enhance the Old Church grounds at Bishop Thornton.

(UNANIMOUS DECISIONS) 8.27 p.m.

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9.1 **HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:**

- (a) **FOOTPATH/BRIDGE/ROAD REPAIRS** –  
**CUT THROAT LANE** – Cllr Mrs Rickards reported that the surface of Cut Throat Lane still remained cracked in places and the edges are crumbling away.  
**JOY BRIDGE** – The Clerk reported that Cllr Mr Stobbs had spoken to NYCC’s Ranger at the Nidderdale Show and she had acknowledged that both bridges previously reported to NYCC Rights of Way Department by the Parish Council were dangerous and that repairs would be carried out as soon as finances would allow.
- (b) **TRAFFIC ISSUES, COLBER LANE** – Councillors considered the issues raised in a letter from a Parishioner regarding the escalating congestion and speed of traffic along Colber Lane. Councillors agreed that the Clerk should send photographs to NYCC Highways illustrating the problems caused to residents and other road users by the numbers of vehicles regularly parked on Colber Lane in the hope that a solution could be found which would help prevent the situation escalating further. The Clerk agreed to inform the resident of the action being taken.

(UNANIMOUS DECISIONS)

9.2. **OTHER HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:**

- (a) **RIPON GRAMMAR SCHOOL BUS ROUTE** – NYCC have proved unwilling and are unlikely to allow the Ripon Grammar School bus route to be changed in the near future in order to pick up pupils living in Bishop Thornton.

(UNANIMOUS DECISIONS)

8.55 p.m.

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**HBC ANNUAL CONSULTATION MEETING WITH PARISH COUNCIL 2010/11** – Councillors discussed possible subjects for inclusion on the agenda of the Annual Parish Council Consultation meeting with HBC but decided not to submit any items on this occasion. Councillors agreed that Cllr Mr B Baker would attend the Consultation Meeting on the parish Council’s behalf.

8.57 p.m.

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**HBC COMMUNITY EMERGENCY SCHEME** - Councillors acknowledged Cllr Mr B Baker’s continued intention to follow up on the Parishes Community Emergency scheme within the foreseeable future.

9.00 p.m.

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**CODE OF CONDUCT TRAINING FOR PARISH COUNCILLORS** – Cllr Mr R Hughes reported that the Code of Conduct Training organised by HBC had proved very instructive and agreed to circulate copies of information provided at the meeting to Parish Councillors at the next Parish Council meeting

(UNANIMOUS DECISIONS)

9.02 p.m.

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**PARISH CHARTER** – The Chairman read an e-mail from NYCC’s Tom Jenkinson offering to attend a Parish Council meeting to explain the ideas behind NYCC’s Parish Charter initiative. Councillors agreed that the Clerk should invite Mr Jenkinson to attend the Parish Councils November meeting.

9.04 p.m.

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**PROPOSED CHANGES TO DISCRETIONARY SCHEME ENHANCEMENTS** – Councillors discuss the issues raised by HBC regarding the changes proposed to the discretionary travel scheme enhancement once

NYCC takes over the scheme in April 2011 and agreed that the information provided was insufficient to allow for an authoritative response. The Clerk was requested to seek further information in the form of a fact sheet.

9.06 p.m.

15 **ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA (For information only) –**

- (a) **PLANNING THE FUTURE OF HARROGATE DISTRICT'S RURAL AREAS** – Councillors discussed HBC's forthcoming proposals for the Parish with regard to a development on land to the south of West Grove consisting of 8 dwellings for local families and having taken advice from District Cllr Mrs C Hill agreed that it was necessary for the matter to be discussed at an open meeting.
- (b) **KISSING GATE, GRANGE CLOSE, SHAW MILLS** – Cllr Mrs B Rickards reported that the Kissing Gate between numbers 4 and 6 Grange Close was in need of repair and that it would help walkers to find the kissing gate and the footpath across the field if a yellow footpath arrow could be placed on the fence by the bungalows. The Clerk stated that the matter would need to be reported to the NYCC Ranger
- (c) **DROVERS INN** – Cllr Mrs A Peacock drew the meetings attention to the recent accidents at the Drovers Crossroads and asked that The Clerk contact the owner of the site requesting that the bushes are cut back and the broken Herreris fence removed to prevent them interfering in the sightline of drivers approaching the crossroads from Markington.
- (d) **HBC RECYCLE BROWN BINS** – The Clerk informed the meeting that following the recent circulation of a leaflet detailing HBC's recycling policy a parishioner wished to know when the Parish could expect to be included in the Brown bin scheme for recycling garden rubbish when other parts of the District already had Brown bins. Cllr Mrs B Richards stated that she believed HBC was evaluating the Brown bin scheme in various villages and that the outcome of the trials would determine whether or not the scheme was rolled out across the District as a whole.

9.14 p.m.

16 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm and called the next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council for Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010 at 7.30 p.m. 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  
21<sup>st</sup> October 2010**

*J A Gant*

Clerk to Bishop Thornton & Warsill Parish Council