

TOPCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday July 19th, 2010 in the village hall

Councillors present D. Bowman (Vice-chair), M. Bowen, A. Jameson-Allen,
NYCC & HDC Cllr Neville Huxtable

Apologies G. Key (Chair)

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10/054 It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday June 14th, 2010 be accepted as true record and be signed by the Vice-chair.

Proposed by MB, seconded by AJ

10/055 Matters arising from minutes - None

10/056 Declarations of interest - None

10/057 Cllr Huxtable stated:

- i) In these times of hardship, Parish Councils will have to fund anything they wish to be done through their precepts. District and County Councils will not be allowed to raise taxes, however Parish Councils are free to raise their precepts. Therefore anything needed to be done in the parishes will need to be planned well beforehand in order to make sure of having an adequate precept to do it.
- ii) The bridge at Skipton-on-Swale will be closing on October 4th for 8 weeks. The decaying bridge will be virtually rebuilt, so no traffic at all will be allowed on there during works.

10/058 **ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

- i) Small litter bin has been removed from outside shop and placed at end of East Lea.
- ii) RoSPA has been booked.
- iii) The weeds down the ginnel between Back Lane and Deans Square have been sprayed. GK will price pebbles.

10/059 **PLANNING - HDC decisions**

- i) Proposal: Felling of horse chestnut tree at Angel Inn, Long Street for Mr A Taylor. HDC resolved a TREE PRESERVATION ORDER be served.
- ii) Proposal: Siting of ancillary plant in conjunction with grinder and extruder building and alterations to pet food production building at Wagg Foods. HDC resolved that proposal be APPROVED.
- iii) Proposal: Construction of a replacement single storey extension to the rear of dwelling at 10 East Lea, Topcliffe for Mrs R Johnson. HDC resolved that proposal be APPROVED.
- iv) Proposal: Demolish existing redundant outbuilding and 2 storey extension to existing dwelling to form ancillary accommodation for Mrs L Bumby. HDC resolved that proposal be APPROVED.

All noted

10/060 **PLAYING FIELD SUB-COMMITTEE**

- i) Paint for sportacabin has been purchased by football team and one coat has already been applied.
- ii) Grass on playing field has been cut but not that of playpark. JH will sort this. **JH**
- iii) The planned purchase of decking for the sportacabin was discussed. It was thought that the money to be used for decking would be better spent on a petrol strimmer to replace the one which was stolen.
- iv) Football team will move benches back from top of field to bottom. **JH**
- v) Pest Control will be checking out bees nest on way into field.

10/061 **OPEN SPACES MAINTENANCE**

- i) Mole hills have been seen on Station Road opposite Anchor Dykes. It was proposed to ask Pest Control to check these out and eradicate them if necessary. Proposed by AJ, seconded by MB
- ii) This week DB will tidy overgrown path from bottom of Mill Bank up the steps towards school. **DB**

10/062 **FINANCES, CHEQUES AND COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION**

- i) Quarterly accounts
- ii) Annual return was posted to Mazars.
- iii) GSO and GFO were reviewed by council and signed. Prop by AJ, sec by JH
- iv) Risk assessment was reviewed by council and signed. Prop by JH, sec by AJ
- v) Received donation of £10 for rental of tollbooth
- vi) Cheque for £24.18 written to Garry Key for mover petrol. Prop by MB, sec by AJ
- vii) Cheque for £100 written to Topcliffe and Asenby Times for Tattler 2010 donation. Prop by AJ, sec by JH
- viii) Cheque for £110 written to Topcliffe/Asenby Village Hall for 2010 rental. Prop by AJ, sec by JH

- ix) Cheque for £77.34 written to Asenby Parish Council - payment of 2/3 of annual YLCA subs. Prop by JH, sec by AJ
- x) Cheque for £16.54 written to AON Ltd to add extra lawnmower to insurance. Prop by DB, sec by MB
- xi) £127.50 cheque written by parish council in 2006 was never cashed. Needs to be re-installed into bank account.
- xii) £44 received from John Heidstrom for Tattler from fundraising at playpark opening. John was thanked for this.

10/063 CORRESPONDENCE

Parish Council will retain salt bins at East Lea and Back Lane and agreed to pay £75 per year per bin to cover cost of filling with salt. Written confirmation was emailed to Highways on July 30th.

Next meeting: 16th August 2010 at 8pm in village hall