TOPCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday February 19th, 2007 in the village hall

Councillors present: G. Key (Chair), V. Rawlings, H. Wilson, R. Smith, HDC Cllr. N. Huxtable,

NYCC Cllr. W. Barton

Apologies: Padre A. Martlew

Members of the public B. Mattison

in attendance

MINUTES

07/013 It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday January 15th, 2007 be accepted as true record and be signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by V. Rawlings, seconded by R. Smith

07/014 MATTERS ARISING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS

- Betty Mattison spoke about Hambleton & Richmondshire Carers Centre, which provides specialist support and information for Carers. She passed around leaflets and newsletters. These will be placed on the village noticeboards and in the shop. Contact details will be placed in this month's Tattler.
- ii) HW spoke about the future of the Tattler. A new editor will soon be needed as the current editor will be leaving after the next issue is published. An advert will be placed in the Tattler.
- iii) Cllr NH stated that Hambleton council tax is the third lowest in the country. If unitary authority were to come about, Hambleton council tax would be likely to increase considerably due to the process of levelling out.

07/015 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

i) Cllr WB met a representative from Highways to inspect the flooding at Topcliffe Mill. Highways were already aware of the problem. After much discussion, it was agreed that there is no solution to the flooding.

07/016 PLANNING

- i) Proposed works to two trees at Mill Rise, Front Street for Mr D M Pilgrim. "NO OBJECTIONS"
- ii) Application for construction of three domestic garages at Hagg House, Thorpefield for Mr F W Davidson."NO OBJECTIONS"

07/017 PLANNING PERMISSION HAS BEEN APPROVED

- Two-storey extension to existing dwelling at 8 Manor Close for Mr & Mrs Tinkler. NOTED
- Appeal allowed and planning permission granted subject to stipulated conditions at 6
 Manor Close for Mr J Larder.
 NOTED

07/018 PLAYING FIELD SUB-COMMITTEE

i) Still awaiting the warmer dryer weather before the playing surface can be powerwashed.

07/019 OPEN SPACES MAINTENANCE

i) Future grass cutting contracts must include £5 million liability insurance.

07/020 VILLAGE PROJECTS

- There will be an official opening of the tollbooth towards the end of March. A provisional date of Saturday March 24th at 11am has been chosen. An article will be written for the Tattler and invitations sent out.
- ii) <u>Village website</u> An application will be made for a debit card from Barclays in the clerk's name to be used for occasions when electronic payment is necessary. Once the card is in place, moves can be made to take over the website permanently. Clerk

07/021 FINANCES

- i) A cheque was written to Allianz Cornhill insurance for £43.73 to cover the 3 millstone plinths and 15 benches until June 2007.

 Proposed by H. Wilson, seconded by V. Povilines.
 - Proposed by H Wilson, seconded by V Rawlings
- ii) A cheque was written to Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Services for £2,062.13 for the replacement millstone. A copy of the invoice will be sent to the loss adjusters for the payment back.

 Clerk Proposed by H Wilson, seconded by V Rawlings

07/022 CORRESPONDENCE

i) All mail was circulated

07/023 AOB

i) Cheque for £288 was received from St Columba's Church for burial fees.

Next Meeting: Monday 19th March at 8 pm