

Lothersdale Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 8th November 2012, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Only two members of the Parish Council were present, therefore numerous items in the agenda could not be voted on, or will be moved forward and discussed at the next meeting.

Present: Councillor Stephen Cohen (Chairman)
Councillor Pat Fairbanks (CDC)
Councillor Peter Harrison
Councillor Mark Wheeler (CDC)
Councillor Patrick Mulligan (NYCC)

Clerk Esther Barrows

11/01 Apologies were received and accepted from:

Councillor John Brown (Vice Chair)
Councillor Catherine Gott

11/02 Declaration of Interest:

There were no declarations of interest to report as items for consideration by Councillors could not be voted on.

11/03 Reports from invited guests:

Councillor Pat Fairbank reported that the blue bin collection service has been reinstated in the Mill Yard. Most residents have received a letter from CDC confirming the restored service. Councillor Peter Harrison agreed to post out the final 9 letters from CDC that had not been posted in the Mill Yard.

Councillor Mark Wheeler informed the council that Craven is putting together its Housing Allocation numbers. 1,500 homes need to be built in the next 15 years, with the bulk being in and around Skipton. A .7% growth is reasonable to expect. These numbers are only suggestions for the planning department. Until these numbers are adopted, Craven is short of its housing supply.

Mark discussed the recent meeting by local residents regarding wind turbine applications and the need to balance individual applications with its cumulative effect. Mark is hoping to get planning officers to recognise the clear cumulative impact these

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turbines have on surrounding areas. He is also attending a meeting on Planning Policy shortly where performance monitoring, fees and charges, civil parking enforcement, review of garden waste, community right to challenge and the budget will also be discussed. Mark will report back to the Council on the outcome.

Councillor Patrick Mulligan reported on Broadband progress: BT wants to bring fibre optic broadband into the area, and will be announcing in December who will get the fibre optic. 10% of area will not receive it. LN Communications have done a good job with other Parishes: Wifi is adequate but relies on its signal from elsewhere. Graham Wadsworth, the local broadband champion is to keep the Chairman updated on its progress.

Civil Parking enforcement proposals for summer 2013 will see parking arrangements becoming uniform. Off street parking will be monitored by CDC, on street by the Police. The Secretary of state would like the District Council to run all off street parking so a system of charges and fines can be put in place. The County guarantees that the revenue will not change, but if they are stronger with street enforcement and stricter with on street parking, then this will make people go into the car parks. With a Council Tax freeze, authorities are limited as to how they can generate revenue.

The Council talked about speeding in the village and possibly introducing Vehicle Activated signs. Cllr Mulligan explained that they are difficult to get in place and can cost up to 2.5K a County. There is the option for a permanent or temporary one. The Council normally purchases two for each district and they are rotated every six weeks which means a parish may use it up to twice each year. However demand may exceed supply if everyone wanted to use it. For a Parish to purchase its own can cost up to £300 for the base and up to £300 for the sign.

11/04 Minutes:

- i) Resolved: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on October 11th and November 8th be signed as a true record.
- ii) Clerk's and members' reports on updates and actions taken on matters discussed at the previous meeting:
 - a) Blue bin collection: This item was discussed in item 11/03: Reports from invited guests, Pat Fairbank.
 - b) Street lights: This item has been moved forward to the December meeting.
 - c) Localism Bill: This item has been moved forward to the December meeting.
 - d) Tennis net storage: Peter Harrison informed those present of his research and this will be discussed at the December meeting.
 - e) Kirkwells Neighborhood Planning: This meeting and the possibility of creating a neighborhood plan have been moved forward to the December meeting.
 - f) Overhanging bushes: The clerk is to contact Highways for advice.

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- g) MUGA defects: The clerk is to inform Landscape Engineering that the Council were unable able to vote on a course of action and therefore this will be discussed at the December meeting.
- h) Queen Elizabeth Fields Challenge: The clerk reported on the application process. After measuring the recreation ground the clerk now needs the Land Registry number in order to process the application. Councillor Mark Wheeler offered to source the number and report back to the clerk.
- i) Village Map: This item will be discussed at the December meeting.
- j) Post office box: The clerk reported that after the vandalised postbox was featured in the Craven Herald, the post box was quickly repainted.
- k) Conservation in recreation ground: This item will be discussed at the December meeting.
- l) Audit 2011/12: This information will be discussed at the December meeting.
- m) ROSPA: To be discussed at the December meeting
- n) Police and Crime Commissioners Election: To be discussed at the December meeting.
- o) Community Planning Workshops: To be discussed at the December meeting.
- p) Remembrance Sunday: The clerk queried who was reading on behalf of the Council, and advised that the Remembrance Day wreath had arrived.

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11/05 Public Question Time:

There was no adjournment for public questions.

11/06 Finances:

Esther Barrows (Clerk) October invoice	281.98	
Chris Cowgill October Invoice	<u>98.00</u>	
TOTAL	379.98	
 (ii) October 2012		
Opening balance	£	
Current account	17,943.67	
Deposit account	<u>7,027.24</u>	
	24,970.91	24,970.91
Receipts		
1.10.12 Interest	<u>4.85</u>	
	4.85	24,975.76
Payments		
Chris Cowgill August fees	396.00	

SLCC membership	72.00	
Chris Cowgill September Fees	345.00	
Village Hall Trust: rent	447.00	
Vision ICT upgrade	120.00	
Vision ICT annual fee	180.00	
Esther Barrows	205.34	
Mazars spot check audit	<u>480.00</u>	
TOTAL	2,245.34	<u>2,245.34</u>
		22,730.42

Closing balance (September)

Represented by:

Cleared cheques	-1,120.34	
Uncleared cheques	-1,125.00	
Lodgements/petty cash		
Current Account Barclays	17,943.67	
Deposit Account Standard Life	<u>7,032.09</u>	
	22,730.42	22,730.42

11/07 Correspondence:

- a) Dispensation: To be discussed at the December meeting.
- b) NALC revised Code of Conduct: To be discussed at the December meeting.
- c) Free Craven District Council Private Water Supply event: 23/11/12: The clerk informed those present of the upcoming water supply meeting.
- d) South Pennine Landscape Action Group: To be discussed at the December meeting.

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11/08 Planning:

Notice of Grant Permission by Craven District Council To Carry Out Development:

One application to report:

Decision number: 53/2012/12750

Single 20KW Micro Wind Turbine On A 18m Monopole, Height To Blade Tip Of 23.2m.

Location: Sunnyside Farm, Whitehill Lane, Lothersdale, Keighley. BD20 8HU.

Craven District Council has considered the application and GRANTS permission for the proposed development.

Planning applications received:

Amended Plan

Application Number: 53/2012/12923

Proposal: Replacement Of Large Corrugated Iron Clad Barn With A Detached Double Garage And Workshop, With Ancillary Accommodation.

Location: Summers Gill. Lothersdale, Keighley. BD20 8HQ

Applicant: My Guy Taylor

Two further planning applications requested to be brought to the attention of the Council: Outside Lothersdale but within view of the village:

Application number: 32/2012/12922

Proposal: Installation Of A Bergey Excel 10KW Wind Turbine On A 20KW Monopole Tower.

Location: Brigg Field Farm, Glusburn Moor, Glusburn. Keighley. BD20 8JB

Applicant: Mr. Patrick Meehan

Application number: 13/12/0465P (www.pendle.gov.uk/planning)

Proposal: Full: Erection Of Two 50KW Wind Turbines (hub height 24.6m, overall height 34.2m)

Location: Harwes Farm, Black Lane Ends. BB8 7QH

The Council was unable to vote on all these planning applications due to insufficient Councillors in attendance.

11/09 Members' Community Reports:

Date of the next meeting December 13th 2012

Signed..... Date