

Lothersdale Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 25th July 2013, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Councillor Stephen Cohen (Chairman)
Councillor Eddie Cullen (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Catherine Gott
Councillor Peter Harrison

Clerk Esther Barrows

7/01 Apologies were received and accepted from:

Councillor Julian White
Councillor Mark Wheeler (CDC)
Councillor Pat Fairbanks (CDC)
Councillor Patrick Mulligan (NYCC)

7/02 Declaration of Interest:

There were no declarations of interest to report.

7/03 Reports from invited guests:

County and District Councillors: There were no reports this month.

7/04 Planning:

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

Application number: 53/2012/12658

Proposal: Minor Amendments to Previously Approved Proposal For A Two Storey Extension To The Rear Of The Dwelling

Location: 2 Peel Terrace, Lothersdale. Keighey. BD20 8EP

Craven District Council considered the application and grant permission for the above development.

Application Number: 53/2013/13559

Proposal: Installation Of 2no. Roof Lights To Northern Elevation

Location: 3 Hawshaw Lodge, Skipton Old Road, Lothersdale, Keighey. BD20 8HP

Craven District Council considered the application and grant permission for the above development.

To review any planning applications received:

Application Number: 53/2013/13625

Proposal: Change Of Use Of Agricultural Land To Form Domestic Garden And Siting Of New Garage

Location: Winter Gap, Lothersdale, Keighley. BD20 8HT

Applicant: Mr. Simon Rider

The Council raises no objection to the above planning application but would like CDC to ensure that tree protection is maintained and consideration given to the conservation area the house lies in.

Application Number: 53/2013/13691

Proposal: Installation of 1 x 50kw Wind Turbine With A Mass Height Of 36.6m And A Maximum Height Of 46.3m (I.E To Blade Tip). Re-Submission Of Previous Planning Application Ref 53/2012/13190

Location: Bent Laithe Farm, Lothersdale, Keighley. BD20 8HS

Applicant: Mr. Matthew Tidmarsh

As the Council objected to the original application for the turbine, the Cllrs still object to this application. Cllr Harrison queried the Council's position on turbine development, with Cllr Cohen reminding the Council that each application has to be considered individually.

7/05 Minutes:

- i) Resolved: That the minutes of the Parish Meeting held on June 13th be signed as a true record.

Clerk's and members' reports on updates and actions taken on matters discussed at the previous meeting:

Due to unforeseen personal circumstances, the Clerk is unable at present to complete all the required tasks, and ensured the Council that they will be dealt with as soon as possible. The Clerk is to prioritise the workload.

- a) Lengthsman discussion/Village tidy up: The clerk has placed a notice in the Parish Magazine asking residents to save the date of Saturday 19th October for the village tidy up. The Clerk has also contacted CDC to book high vis vests, litter pickers and refuse sacks.
- b) Tennis net storage: The Clerk has not yet made contact with Skipton Sheet Metal and will be doing so over the summer months.
- c) MUGA defects: The Clerk is working to complete the application for the final grant from Groundworks and it was agreed by the Council that the Clerk may take extra time to complete the application.

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d) Land Registry: The Clerk informed the Council that in order to proceed with registering the recreation ground, two Councillors need to visit the solicitors and give proof of identification. Cllr Cohen and Cllr Cullen agreed to do this.	Action SC EC
e) Village Map: The Clerk brought a proof of the map to the village hall. The Cllrs have requested a few alterations which the Clerk will follow up with.	EB
f) Digley Risk Assessment: The Clerk has yet to research estimates for carrying out the work recommended by the risk assessment.	EB
g) Tree Pruning/Maintenance Cllr Harrison brought to the attention of the Council the recommendations for tree pruning and removal. The Clerk is to forward the report to the tree officer to go over the list, with the Council working in conjunction with the risk assessment.	EB
h) Telephone box: The Clerk informed the council that the application to purchase the telephone box for the village has been successful. The Clerk is to forward payment of £1.00 to BT, and the Council will consider possible uses at the next meeting.	EB All Cllrs
i) Traffic concern, Lothersdale Primary: Cllr Cullen confirmed with the council that the traffic problem outside the school has been reduced since the new yellow lines have been painted. The Council is to wait a few months to see if this works with Cllr Cullen keeping the Council informed of any updates by the school.	
j) Conservation in Recreation Ground: This item is to be postponed until the woodland management plan has been carried out, in order to design the plan in conjunction with the Woodland Trusts recommendations. The Clerk is to start the process of applying for funding towards this plan, and the Council agreed for the Clerk to work extra hours to apply for the necessary maps of the area.	EB
k) Drainage issue in recreation ground: The Council is waiting to see if the recent repairs have made a substantial difference to the water problem around the MUGA. The Cllrs are to keep the Council informed of any reports/visits around the MUGA.	All Cllrs
l) Audit: The Clerk informed the Council that no residents of the village requested to see the accounts, and the Audit should be completed mid-September.	
m) Village Sign: The Clerk is struggling to arrange a meeting with Highways regarding placement of two new signs in the village. As the Clerk is working on this voluntarily for the Council and Social Club, she will look into this further in September.	EB

7/06 Public Question Time:

There was no adjournment for public question time.

7/07 Finances:

Chris Cowgill June fees	396.00
SLCC membership renewal	75.00
BT adopt a kiosk	1.00
Esther Barrows expenses	9.20
Esther Barrows Salary June fees	<u>209.79</u>
TOTAL	690.99

(ii) June 2013

Opening balance	£	
Current account	7,360.50	
Deposit account	<u>14,769.77</u>	
Total	22,130.27	22,130.27
Receipts		
3.6.13 Interest	12.02	
27.6.13 HMRC refund	<u>339.79</u>	
	351.81	22,482.08
Payments		
Esther Barrows expenses	24.55	
Esther Barrows salary up to 31.5.13	309.07	
Autela Apr-Jun 13	31.50	
Bowland Tree Consultancy	442.00	
Malcolm Willetts, map update	75.00	
Liz Pierson art materials	22.48	
Lothersdale Village Hall Trust Apr-Sep rent	90.00	
Chris Cowgill May fees	405.80	
CDC back payment	<u>227.57</u>	
	1,627.97	<u>1,627.97</u>
		20,854.11
Closing balance (June)		
Represented by:		
Cleared cheques	-1,034.69	
Uncleared cheques	-593.28	
Lodgements/petty cash	351.81	
Current Account Barclays	7,360.50	
Deposit Account Standard Life	<u>14,769.77</u>	
	20,854.11	20,854.11

7/08 Correspondence:

- a) Nominations for Craven Community Champion Awards 2013: This award celebrates Craven's unsung heroes, their achievements and contributions to the community. Any resident of Lothersdale who knows somebody who lives and works in Craven who makes an outstanding contribution to the community and fits one of eight categories below, can enter them to win an award. Details will be posted around the village. Entry forms are also available online at www.cravencd.gov.uk/communitychampions. Craven library also has entry forms.

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- b) Invitation to YLCA Annual meeting: As the PC meeting was put forward one week, the date for the YLCA meeting had already passed. The Clerk will inform the council of the next meeting in 2014.
- c) Lothersdale Village Events request for support: Cllr Eddie Cullen on behalf of the Social Club had been considering asking the Council for financial support/donations towards the party in the park. However, this request was not brought forward as the club did not make a loss this year.
- d) Common land query: It had been brought to the Chair and Clerks attention that an area of 'common' land up Sidegate Lane had been fenced off by a local resident. Concerns had been raised about the resident's desire to acquire the land. The Council felt that this was not common land, and if so this would be a civil matter.
- e) Healthwatch North Yorkshire: Healthwatch North Yorks is the new 'go to' organstaion that will support everyone across North Yorkshire to:
- Have a say in how health and social care services are provided
 - Find out about health and social care services
 - Make a formal complaint about NHS services.
- For more information tel: 01904 621 631,
or email healthwatchny@nbforum.org.uk
- f) Good Councillors guide, 4th edition: The new hardback 4th edition of the Good Councilor's Guide has been released. The Council agreed to buy one copy for the files and the Clerk is to proceed with purchase
- g) Petition for Amendment of the National Planning Policy framework: It transpired that this request for support was centered on the area of Congleton, Cheshire East, and the Council felt was of no relevance at this time.
- h) New laptop discussion for the Clerk: Cllr Cullen had investigated the options available to the Council/Clerk on investing in a laptop and printer. The Clerk had identified which items she required and is to work with Cllr Cullen to confirm what she requires and to order the products.

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7/09 Members' Community Reports:

Date of the next meeting September 12th 2013

Signed..... Date