

Lothersdale Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 13th June 2013, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Councillor Stephen Cohen (Chairman)
Councillor Eddie Cullen
Councillor Peter Harrison
Councillor Julian White

Councillor Pat Fairbanks (CDC)
Councillor Patrick Mulligan (NYCC)

Clerk Esther Barrows

6/01 Apologies were received and accepted from:
Councillor Catherine Gott
Councillor Mark Wheeler (CDC)

6/02 Declaration of Interest:
Cllr Cullen declared an interest in item: **6/04 Planning:**
Application Number: 53/2013/13559
Cllr Harrison declared an interest in item: **6/04 Planning:**
Application Number: 53/2013/133447

6/03 Reports from invited guests:
County and District Councillors:

Cllr Fairbank reported that so far 4,971 people had signed up to join the Garden Waste Scheme, this means it will now go ahead. The Cllr queried if everyone had received the details of the scheme through the post. This came with other advertising mailshots and the Cllr wondered if this was perhaps the reason why many had not signed up so far. The original deadline of applying by 14th June may now be extended. Residents can still apply online and options of bin sharing are welcomed.

Cllr Mulligan reported that the Civil Parking Enforcement Act came through on May 30th and responsibility has been transferred from the Police to the Council. The Council is aiming to deal with areas that have specific problems. Enforcement Officers come from Harrogate and only enforce problem areas. Queries were raised about how this act is enforced, as disabled drivers are parking on the enforceable ziz-zag lines outside the school. At some point notices

will be displayed outside the school by NYCC. Cllr Cullen is to speak to the school about the problem. Currently Harrogate Borough Council does not sub-contract the work out. So now they will be looking at bringing charges on the streets of market towns in the next couple of years.

North Yorkshire County Council is responsible for our highways, keeping grass verges cut back in Summer etc. They tried to contract some of the work out to Craven District Council but they refused the lower pay offered and this is the reason the work has not been carried out for a while.

It was agreed to move the agenda item: **planning** forward to item 4 in order for District and County Councillors and members of the public to be able to take part in the discussion without having to wait until the end of the meeting.

6/04 Planning:

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

Application number: 53/2013/13335

Proposal: Erection Of Garden Curtilage & Erection Of Garage.

Location: Woodhead Farm, Side Gate Lane. Lothersdale. Keighley. BD20 8EU

Applicant: Mr. Trevor Smith

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

Application Number: 53/2013/133447

Proposal: Minor Amendments To Previously Approved Proposal 53/2012/12658 For A Two Storey Extension To The Rear Of The Dwelling

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

Applicant: Mr. M. Pickard

There were no objections raised to the above planning application.

Application Number: 53/2013/13559

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

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

Applicant: Mr. Aiden West

There were no objections raised to the above planning application. However the Council expect to see Velux Conservation windows.

Application Number: 53/2013/13560

Proposal: Erection Of A 50kw Wind Turbine On A 25m Tower For Business Use Sited On Agricultural Land

Location: Land Adjacent To Centre Road, Lothersdale, Keighley. BD20 8HN

Applicant: Mr. Geoff Booth

- h) Telephone box: There is no further news to report on the Councils wish to purchase the telephone box for the village. The clerk will keep the Council updated as any details arise.
- i) Traffic concern, Lothersdale Primary: The clerk has informed the Council that enforceable zig-zag lines are only permitted outside Schools and Fire Stations. If the Council feels that there is still congestion around the Club House, it could consider double yellow lines instead. The Council is to wait a few months before making a decision.
- j) Conservation in Recreation Ground: Cllr and Mrs. Cullen are to design a projected plan of how the park could be improved, and the Parish Council is to consider employing contractors to carry out the work. The clerk felt that this item should be postponed until the woodland management plan has been carried out, in order to design the plan in conjunction with the Woodland Trusts recommendations.
- k) Drainage issue in recreation ground: The contractor has carried out investigations and made repairs to the drains in the recreation ground. It was recommended that the Council wait over summer to see if the repairs have made a substantial difference to the water problem around the MUGA. The clerk is to keep the school posted as to its developments.
- l) Audit: The clerk reported that the audit has been sent to LittleJohn Auditors, with notices displayed giving residents opportunity to contact the auditors and question the accounts. The clerk will inform the Council when the audit is completed.
- m) Village Sign: The clerk is currently trying to meet with Highways to ascertain if the Village events Committee/Parish Council will be permitted to place a sign at either end of the village, replacing the existing signs.

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6/06 Public Question Time:

There was no adjournment for public question time. One member of the public was present to discuss planning application 53/2013/13344, and left when this item was completed.

6/07 Finances:

Chris Cowgill May fees	405.80
Craven District Council, back payment	227.57
Autela Payroll, services	31.50
Bowland Tree Consultancy, tree survey	442.00
Malcolm Willetts, map update	75.00
Liz Pierson art materials for map	22.48
Esther Barrows expenses	24.55
Esther Barrows Salary April 12 th -May 31 st	309.07
TOTAL	1,537.97

(ii) May 2013

Opening balance	£		
Current account	12,807.10		
Deposit account	<u>14,763.34</u>		
Total	22,570.44	22,570.44	
Receipts			
1.5.13 Interest	<u>6.43</u>		
	6.43	27,576.87	
Payments			
Autela Payroll	213.00		
NYCC Street Lighting	3,671.59		
Came & Co PL insurance	882.77		
Esther Barrows	193.24		
Lothersdale Village Hall Trust rent Apr – Sep	90.00		
Chris Cowgill Apr fees	346.00		
Nestegg internal audit	<u>50.00</u>		
	5,446.60	<u>5,446.60</u>	
		22,130.27	
Closing balance (May)			
Represented by:			
Cleared cheques	-5,446.60		
Uncleared cheques	00.00		
Lodgements/petty cash	6.43		
Current Account Barclays	12,807.10		
Deposit Account Standard Life	<u>14,763.34</u>		
	22,130.27	22,130.27	

6/08 Correspondence:

- a) Parish Clerks Forum: The clerk brought to the attention of the Council the notes from the recent Parish Clerks Forum which contained an example of Embsay with Eastby's flyer on Localism and Neighborhood planning. The clerk was happy to pass this forward if anyone requested it.
- b) Planning Focus Newsletter: The clerk informed the council that the latest edition of Planning focus Newsletter was available online and will be placed on the noticeboards in due course.
- c) Craven District Council, new Chairman: The clerk informed the Council that Cllr Donny Whaites is the new Chairman of Craven District Council and is happy to attend local schools, small businesses, and Parish events or attend Parish Council meetings if anyone wishes to invite him. Cllr Whaites has been a District Councillor since 2004 and represents the Settle and Ribblesbanks Ward.
- d) Highways Capital Programme 2013/14 and 2014/15: The clerk informed the Council of the lists of approved highway schemes within the local district

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boundary relevant to our electoral division. This is available for inspection from the clerk.

- e) Nomination for the LPC member of the Raygill Trust September 2013-2016:
The Cllrs voted unanimously for Cllr Eddie Cullen to represent the Council for the coming three years.

- f) Nomination for the LPC member of the Spencer Trust 2013-2016:
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6/09 Members' Community Reports:

The clerk informed the council that her personal laptop needed replacing. It was recommended by the insurers Came and Company that the Parish Council purchases a computer for the clerk to use. Cllr Cullen agreed to research laptops and discuss this at the next meeting.

Date of the next meeting July 25th 2013

Signed..... Date