

Giggleswick Parish Council
Minutes of Remote Meeting 10, held on 12th January 2021

15 Minutes for public participation session

There were no members of the public in attendance.

- 10.1 Present:** Cllrs Perrings (Chairman), Jones (Vice-Chairman), Airey, Bradley, Coleman, Davidson, Ewin-Newhouse, Greenhalgh and Williamson.
In attendance: Marijke Hill as Parish Council Clerk.
Not attending: County and District Councillor Richard Welch
- 10.2 Code of Conduct and Declaration of Interests**
- a. Councillors did not record any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) or other interests in relation to items on this agenda.
 - b. No requests were made for dispensation in connection with any items on this agenda.
- 10.3 Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held remotely on 8th December 2020**
 The Council **resolved** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting 9 held remotely on 8th December 2020 should be **confirmed** and signed by the Chairman, Cllr Perrings, as a true and accurate record.
- 10.4 Matters from previous meetings not otherwise included on the agenda**
 The Council **reported** no matters from previous meetings not otherwise included on the agenda.
- 10.5 Reports from County and District Councillor and North Yorkshire Police**
 The Council **noted** the NYP Community Messaging (Craven) from 10 December 2020 to 12 January 2021.
 The Council **noted** the NYP incidents report for the period between 4 December to 9 January, notably: one road related offence, two reports of suspect vehicles and three reports of RTC; three reports of ASB Environmental and Covid19 gathering; and one report of theft of phone.
- 10.6 Planning**
- a. Applications
 - 1 CDC: 2020/22340/TCA – works to 19 trees, Giggleswick School. The Council **noted** that it had no comments to make.
 - 2 CDC: 2020/22334/TPO – fell T1 Horse Chestnut, The Chase, Bankwell Road. The Council **noted** that it had no comments to make.
 - 3 C/31/368E – householder planning permission for siting of a wood framed greenhouse on an existing base, Rockwood, The Mains. The Council **noted** that it had no comments to make.
 - b. Decisions
 The Council **noted** that it had not received any decisions.
 - c. Other planning matters
 - 1 The Council **discussed** further the proposal by Giggleswick School to use potential S106 funds to redevelop the pavilion on the Lord’s sports field and provide a community room with kitchen facility, parking facilities and changing rooms. The Council **decided** to contact the School with a view to making some enquiries, particularly in relation to the provision of a community room and the parking facilities.

10.7 Reports and updates regarding parish maintenance matters

a. Harrison Playing Fields:

- In connection with the footpaths improvement project Cllr Bradley provided a full update in terms of budget estimates and **informed** the Council that the project is completed. The contractor will take off the machinery as soon as possible. The widening of the entrance onto Bankwell Road has been postponed until milder weather conditions to avoid low temperature impacting the integrity of the cement.
- The Council had not received an update regarding the process of registering the Harrison Playing Fields with Fields in Trust and the Council **decided** to look at the application form in order to be informed of the necessary documents that the Fields in Trust require.
- Regarding the rabbit warren in the heap of soil on the boundary wall at Well House, the Council was **informed** that the rabbiting service had emptied the warren and removed some rabbits. It was **reported** that, although the soil heap on the boundary wall at Well House was reduced, rabbits have been seen again and the Council **decided** to ask the rabbiting service to return in order that the number of rabbits gets reduced.
- The Council **decided** to replace the damaged nets for the larger football goals with the heavy duty rope option for £106.51.
- The Council **discussed** the work in the children's play area that was recommended by the Inspector following the RoSPA Play Safety Inspection Report 2020 and **decided** to ask Council's local handyman to carry out some of the timber related tasks. The Council will consider replacement of the toddler multiplay at the next Parish Council meeting.
- The Council had **received** the quotation from Play Safety to carry out a Risk Assessment for the Harrison Playing Fields, including an itemised Risk Assessment for all of the entrances, for £780 plus VAT and it **resolved** to accept this quotation.
- Regarding the Settle Junior Football Group's request to hire the Middle Fellings for football training, the Secretary has **informed** the Council if the request can be put on hold until the next season and he will contact the Council in the summer of 2021.
- The Council **noted** that there was one other issue relating to the Harrison Playing Fields and it **decided** to continue to disallow dogs in the children's play area.

b. street lighting:

- LP32: The Council **noted** that this repair is still awaiting an adequate response from ENW and that NYCC will inform the Council once they have been given more details.
- LP28: The Council was **informed** that this light requires a new lantern as it is beyond repair and that the estimate to fit a new LED lantern, bracket and pole junction box is £390 + VAT, connecting into an available cut out device without the involvement of ENW. The Council **ratified** the decision from the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman to accept the estimate and to ask NYCC to arrange the necessary work. The Council **noted** that the paperwork has been raised and the works should be done within 6 weeks.
- LP7: The Council was **informed** that this light requires a new lantern as it is beyond repair and that the estimate to fit a new LED lantern and re-wire the column is £290 + VAT. The Council **ratified** the decision from the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman to accept the estimate and to ask NYCC to arrange the necessary work. The Council **noted** that the works instruction has been issued to NYCC contractors.
- The Council **noted** that ENW have condemned the wooden post that supports street light LP55 along Station Road, opposite 'Police Houses'. ENW will ultimately remove the wooden post. The Council **agreed** it still requires a light in that vicinity, which will involve erecting a new steel column with a new LED lantern and ENW will electrically connect this up free of charge. The estimate to

install a new steel column is £465 + VAT. The Council was **informed** that NYCC would recommend that the new column is planted on the opposite side of the road to avoid any future damage as in its current location, vehicles are often parked close by. The Council **decided** to contact NYCC and ask clarification regarding a new location as Councillors are of the opinion that the parked cars in that area do not interfere with the street light post which is surrounded by garden and the Council would prefer the street light to remain where it is at the moment.

- The Council **noted** that NYCC contractors have attended to LP8, Church Street, which has an irreparable lantern, mounted on an ENW wooden post. NYCC contractors suggest to replace this old lantern with a new 15w LED lantern and try and re-wire it to the old electrical junction box. The estimate is £325 + VAT. The Council was **informed** that, if the old electrical junction box mounted on the ENW post is problematic and contractors cannot electrically connect into it, then they may have to abandon this repair and a new street light column nearby might need to be erected. The Council **decided** to allow NYCC contractors an attempt to carry out the initial repair.

- The Council **noted** correspondence received that LP38B, opposite the memorial bridge, is faulty and **decided** to report this to NYCC Highways for repair.

c. defibrillator NCPAD314 at Puddle Croft

The Council **noted** that ENW has acknowledged receipt of the online application form and that a reply is awaited. The Council was **informed** that the Yorkshire Ambulance Service had erroneously noted on their website that the defibrillator was online and operable, but that this error was now corrected. The Council **agreed** to put up an external notice on the cabinet explaining it is offline and giving the location of the nearest available defibrillators.

d. verges cutting on Paley Green Lane

Cllr Airey **reported** that Mr Askew has carried out verges cutting on Paley Green Lane as well as from the Giggleswick School Chapel entrance to Croft Closes Farm. The Council **agreed** that Cllr Airey should contact Mr Askew if he would consider carrying out additional verge cutting in the future, possibly on Stackhouse Lane.

e. maintenance responsibility for collapsed railings along the quarry footpath up from the B6480

Cllr Perrings had **reported** that the railings along the quarry footpath up from the B6480 had collapsed and the Council **agreed** to report this to the YDNPA Area Ranger for repair.

f. Giggleswick Riverside Panels

The Council **noted** correspondence received from YDMT that the Riverside panels/lecterns have now been ordered and should be ready for installation early in the new year. The actual installation date will be confirmed to the Council as and when known.

g. potholes on Belle Hill

The Council was **informed** that the potholes on Belle Hill have, again, been reported to NYCC Highways for repair. Cllr Williamson had expressed particular concern that one of the deeper potholes is now exposed and that this presents a particular danger to the many cyclists going down the hill. The Council **noted** the reply from NYCC Highways that an officer will visit and investigate.

h. gritting of main village access roads during icy weather

The Council **discussed** the access of village roads during icy weather and it **agreed** to contact NYCC Highways if it would consider adding the Level 2 main village access roads to its gritting service. The Council also **agreed** that Cllr Airey should contact Mr Askew of Lawkland and make enquiries if he would consider gritting some of the roads in Giggleswick, in particular Belle Hill in severe

winter weather conditions. The Council **decided** to purchase a spreader, specifically to assist Cllr Williamson with the gritting of Belle Hill for £159.99 + VAT.

i. Other issues relating to NYCC Highways

There were no other issues to report to NYCC Highways.

10.8 Reports and updates on parish matters other than maintenance

a. speed reduction measures on B6480

Cllr Jones **reported** on the site meeting with NYCC Highways Officer David Cairns. The Council **agreed** that a junction warning sign on the approach to Mill Hill Lane could be installed within the Ghyll Field as well as a new Giggleswick School sign either below the new junction sign or on a new post. The Council **confirmed** that Giggleswick School has no objection to the two signs installed within their land and it **decided** to ask NYCC Highways to proceed. The Council also **agreed** that the visibility of the junction at Mill Hill Lane should be improved by removal of a short length of the old post and rail fence and by installing reflector posts in place of the fencing. The Council **decided** to ask NYCC Highways to proceed.

Cllr Jones also **reported** that the Highways Officer had advised that the most suitable place for a gateway feature would be at the 30 mph speed limit sign to have its greatest impact. The Council **agreed** that the existing stone gateway feature opposite the Harts Head, although not classed as passively safe, would be the best option to add some speed concern wordings to and it **agreed** that the Chairman, Cllr Perrings will make enquiries.

The Council **decided** to get information regarding Vehicle Activated Signs of purchase and installation costs and report back at the next Parish Council meeting.

b. closure of the previous Council's website

The Council was **informed** that the Chairman should contact the previous website provider in order to close the site and not be incurred any more costs.

c. date and method of the Giggleswick Charities Trustees Annual Meeting

The Council **decided** to hold the Annual Meeting of the Giggleswick Charities by zoom on 9th February 2021 at 19.00 hours.

10.9 Financial Matters

a. The Council **noted** the Financial Statements, including the bank reconciliation to 31 December 2020.

b. The Council **approved** payment of the following accounts:-

- R.B. Askew Contracting of £259.20 for hedge trimming
- clerk of £176.07 as expenses for quarter 3 October to December 2020
- clerk's salary for January 2021 of £489.60
- Settle Coal of £4,908.82 for building material for the footpath improvement project

c. The Council **verified** the bank statements for the 3rd quarter of the financial year October to December 2020 and reported that all was in order.

10.10 Reports on or notice of meetings of other bodies

* YLCA: Coronavirus update and CDC: Covid-19 travel; restrictions

* NYCC: Skipton and Ripon Area Constituency Committee meeting 07/1; Chief Executive Note 10/12; Team weekly bulletin 18/11; 2/11;

* CDC: Citizens Online project

* CEE Bill Alliance: Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill

- * Natural England: Country Code refresh survey to 11 January
- * NALC: open letter from the Chairman
- * YDNPA: Management Plan 2019-2024 Annual Forum 2021, 20 January; Local Plan 2023-2040 Consultation No. 3 - Exploring our options: Building new homes to 26 February
- * YLCA: White Rose Update 18/12; 08/01; Webinar Sessions: local council powers, S137 and General Power of Competence 16/12; climate emergency-Friends of Earth 12/1; Administering Exclusive Rights of Burial (EROB) 13/1; Local councils: Being a good employer 13/1; Planning Decisions – Andrew Towleron, Planning Consultant 14/1; Year End Accounts training March and April; remote training programme January, February; Training e-bulletin 11/12; 24/12; Councillors discussion forum session 7/1
- * PFCC: Precept Consultation 2021-2022 to 13 January;
- * Settle Area Swimming Pool: thank you letter December 2020; Covid-19 restrictions closure January 2021
- * Rural Services Network: the Rural Bulletin 15/12; 23/12; 5/1; 12/1; Rural funding digest, January edition
- * play ground e-brochures from Earth Anchors; Eibe Play; Jupiter Play; Kompan
- * Clerks & Councils Direct, January 2021, Issue 133

10.11 Reports / comments on other matters for information only, or for inclusion on a future agenda

No further reports or comments on other matters were reported.

10.12 Date and time of the next Parish Council Meeting

The Council **confirmed** the date of the next Parish Council meeting as Tuesday 9th February 2021 at 7.30 pm.

There being no further business to conduct the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.35 hours.

M. Hill

Clerk to the Council