

MELBECKS PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6TH 2012

The Parish Council meeting was held on September 6th 2012. Councillors Crapper, Calvert, RDC Councillor Gardner were present with Councillor R. Alderson presiding. Miss N Adams was Clerk, and one member of the public was also present.

1. Apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Councillors Blackburn and D. Alderson.

2. Declaration of Interests. Cllr Calvert declared an interest in the item 9(d), regarding Planning Permission for Ralph Bank, Low Row.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5th July were circulated and were approved as a correct record. All were in favour.

4. Matters Arising. Cllr Gardner confirmed that following meetings with Jabobs, any bonfire at Gunnerside Bridge would need to be positioned on the East side of the beck, well away from the scaffolding, however Cllr Crapper advised that the Gunnerside bonfire was not going ahead this year, and that items that had already been left by members of the public for burning would be removed before any work begins on the bridge.

The Council also noted that the work due to commence on the Bridge would involve scaffolding on both sides, with pedestrian access via a walkway on the scaffolding.

Traffic lights, on the Muker side of the bridge, will be positioned at the top of the hill around the last corner.

Cllr Calvert advised that work would be starting on the Isles Hill Top seat in the next few weeks.

5. Finance.

a. Mazaars Audit.

The annual return was checked and agreed. It was signed by the Chair and the Clerk.

b. Order to pay.

An Order to pay Reeth Gazette for advert for Clerk was signed.

c. Banking Mandate

A mandate form was completed to change the correspondence address. One more signature is required, and the Clerk was instructed to complete this.

6. Highways

Highways Reply. The Council was informed that a reply was received from Highways regarding repairs to wall west of Ann's Cottage. Council was advised that Highways would need to confirm ownership of the wall prior to any work commencing.

Richmondshire District Council

a. Richmondshire Local Plan - Core Strategy. Council was informed of the receipt of the document, setting out policies for development in the area of Richmondshire outside the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

b. Standard & Code of Conduct Training. No members currently attending.

8. North Yorkshire County Council

a. County Council Highways and Transportation Service Update. An update was received detailing spending on the above services.

b. Richmondshire Area Committee meeting 6.9.12

Council was informed of a meeting of the Richmondshire Area Committee.

9. Y.D.N.P.A

a. Council noted Planning Permission granted for Glory Be, Blades.

b. Council noted Planning Permission application received for 3 day Trial, Council raised no objections or comments. Cllr Gardner advised this has now been granted.

c. Council noted Planning Permission application received for East Broccabank, Low Row. Council raised no objections or comments

d. Council noted Planning Permission application received for Ralph Bank, Low Row. Council raised no objections or comments.

e. Council noted Planning Permission application received for Great Gunnerside Bridge. Council raised no objections or comments.

10. Other correspondence/A.O.B.

a. Gunnerside Parking. Council agreed the lease and it was signed and the Clerk was instructed to return this. The clerk was also instructed to contact Highways advising them of this agreement and asking them to proceed with the line painting, and to confirm that this would be paid for from the Highways budget.

b. Contribution to the cost of seat in Gunnerside Island. Council agreed to contribute £40 to the cost of the seat.

c. DITA : Dales Integrated Transport Alliance- Update. Council agreed to sign up as a supporter of DITA. The Clerk was instructed to arrange this.

d. Health Update. Council was advised of updates , regarding the on-going situation regarding changes to children's and maternity services at the Friarage Hospital in Northallerton.

e. Cllr Gardner advised that the road closure on the B6270 after Grinton would now only last for a week commencing 10th September, between 9.30am and 3.30pm, although school buses and emergency vehicles will have access anytime.

f. The Clerk was instructed to write to Highways concerning the overhanging trees on the sides of the roads, throughout Swaledale as a whole, to try and implement a cutting-back scheme.

11. Date and Time of next meeting.

The next meeting will be held at Gunnerside Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday November 22nd.