

MELBECKS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON AUGUST
15th 2013 AT LOW ROW INSTITUTE

Present were Cllrs D. Alderson, Calvert, Crapper with Cllr. R. Alderson presiding. The Clerk was Miss N. Adams. Also present was one member of the public.

1. Apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Cllr. Blackburn and Cllr. M. Gardner, as well as PCSO Tracie Taylor-Paige.

2. Declaration of interests. None declared.

3. Minutes of the last meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed as a correct record. Cllr R. Alderson raised the point that some work had now been done to repair the landslip at Gunnerside.

4. Matters Arising

a) Register of Members Interests/Code of Conduct/Standing Order

The Cllrs were given new Register of Members Interest forms to be completed as requested by Richmondshire District Council. The suggested Code of Conduct was agreed upon, and the Standing Order to be adopted was to be Option A., proposed by Cllr R Alderson and seconded by Cllr Calvert. The Clerk will return copies to RDC as necessary.

b) Bench in Gunnerside.

A letter was read out from the owner of the bench which has fallen into disrepair, advising that they did not currently have funds to either repair or replace the bench. Cllr Calvert has offered to remove and dispose of it.

c) Line painting in Gunnerside.

The Council was advised of a reply from Highways stating that the lines would be laid within the next few weeks. The Clerk was asked to follow this up if not done before the next meeting.

5. Finance

a) Financial Risk Assessment

The Council agreed and signed a Financial Risk Assessment.

6. RDC

a) GP Out of hours service.

Council noted receipt of a survey regarding GP Out of hours service

b) Waste & Street Scene Survey. Council noted receipt of a Waste & Street Scene survey.

c) Parish Update. Council noted receipt of the latest Parish Update.

d) Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy - Development Target. Council noted receipt of the Richmondshire Local Plan.

e) Children's Play Improvement Fund 2013/14. Council noted receipt of application form for funding to improve Children's Play equipment.

7 NYCC

a) Proposed reductions to bus service subsidy. The Council discussed the proposal to reduce subsidy to the bus service which could reduce services to twice daily (removing the early and late bus up the dale). The Clerk was requested to reply to the questionnaire, suggesting the possibility of school buses being available to be used by members of the general public, and if a round trip was made to Richmond , it did not allow much time before the bus would leave on the return trip, and if the time between buses could be lengthened at all.

b) Richmondshire Area Committee meeting. Council noted that there will be a Richmondshire Area Committee meeting on Wednesday August 28th at Tunstall Village Hall at 10.00 am.

8. YDNPA

a) Planning: The Council noted that Planning application has been withdrawn from Nell Tom, Blades.

b) Planning: The Council noted receipt of a Planning application for Troutbeck House, Gunnerside to change one room to a cafe. Council raised no comments or objections.

c) DECC Press notice. The Council noted receipt from DECC (Dept of Energy and Climate Change) that community energy projects will be able to receive Feed-in- Tariff payments for clean green energy generated. There are no current projects of this type.

d) Yorkshire Dales National Park Management Plan. Council noted receipt of YDNP Management Plan 2013-18.

e) Funding of GP services. Council noted receipt of letter from YDNPA concerning funding for GP services.

f) Tour de France Parish Council grant scheme. Council noted receipt of application form for Parish Councils to apply for funding for a project/event to celebrate the Tour de France.

g) Ram's Head Logo goes large. Council noted receipt of letter concerning Ram's Head logo.

9. Other Correspondence/AOB

a) MPIG withdrawal - County Cllr John Blackie. Council noted receipt of emails from Cllr Blackie concerning GP funding.

b) Project Congleton. Council noted receipt of letter from Project Congleton.

c) Clerk & Councils direct newsletter. Council noted receipt of Clerk & Councils newsletter.

d) Condition of Reeth-Richmond road. Council noted receipt of an email from Cllr Blackie advising that there would be major repairs to the road , including reconstruction of the carriageway starting in September/October.

e) Cllr Calvert raised the issue of an overgrowing tree at junction of the B6270 and the A6108, which is obstructing vision when turning towards Reeth from Richmond. The Clerk was requested to write to Highways to bring this matter to their attention.

10. Date and Time of the next meeting.

The next meeting will be on Thursday October 3rd at Gunnerside Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.