

## Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2001 at 7.00 pm

### Present

Councillors Mrs J Imeson, Chairman, R Kirk, Mrs F Greenwell, L Groves, P Bell, J Fletcher, Mrs M Stevens. Three members of the public also attended.

### St John Ambulance photographs

The Parish Council received from Mr L Cowley photographs of St John Ambulance members from days gone by, some of which dated from 1914. The Chairman assured Mr Cowley that the Parish Council would take good care of them until such time as there was a village museum in which to display them.

### Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2001 were approved and signed.

### Police Business

In the absence of a police officer, the clerk read a report received from the police. In the previous month there had been two non-dwelling burglaries, three thefts from motors, six incidents of criminal damage, four thefts of motor vehicles and one pedal cycle stolen. The police were still concentrating on high profile foot patrols to discourage youth disorder. Complaints had been received from residents in Bilsdale that with improved weather motor cyclists were back on the roads. The Police would use enforcement policy this year and not adopt the softly, softly approach. Councillor Fletcher reported that he had attended the Police Community Liaison meeting. An important goal was to ensure quality of life was preserved, to which end foot patrols had been reinstated. A letter would be sent to the police welcoming the return of foot patrols.

A letter from Mrs Sillars of Neighbourhood Watch reported that a gang of youths had been breaking down fences and rampaging through gardens at the rear of Marwood Drive. It was understood that the police had been called at 8.10 pm but had not attended until 3 pm the following day. The Council expressed regret that the police office had not contacted the officer on foot patrol at the time, and surprise at the length of time between call and visit by police officer.

The police would be asked to keep an eye on Linden Grove Court as it was again the target of youths throwing eggs at the windows.

A report that Stokesley Parish Council had changed its meeting night to Tuesday elicited the hope that the police would remember, when allocating officers to attend meetings, that it was Stokesley that had changed nights not Great Ayton .

### Matters arising

High Green bylaws Minute continued

Village Hall Item to be removed from agenda pending further action.

Arcade Mowden Park Estate Company had repaired the broken fire escape railing but nothing else. HDC had said that they could not enforce further action. The clerk was instructed to write to Mr S Quartermain at HDC requesting that as Mowden had not done what was asked of them, would he be able to chase them up.

Cemetery extension Minute continued

Sublet of playing fields Minute continued

Stile/kissing gate cricket field; Community Paths Initiative Minute continued

Village Design Statement Mr Taylor to be advised that a public meeting would be arranged when he was ready.

Damaged flower tub A cheque had been received to replace broken tub. Minute concluded.

Bellman's Bell Minute continued

Storage of old minute books County Archivist to be thanked for his help and urged to continue efforts to track down suitable second hand microfilm reader as soon as possible.

Highways matters – uneven paving Waterfall Terrace; dump corner Highways to investigate repairs to Waterfall Terrace in conjunction with installation by HDC of new street lights. The ponding at dump corner was an ongoing problem caused by debris in the beck. This had been cleared recently and jetted through to render it fully functional. Councillor Bell observed that the difference in height between road and pavement had been diminished each time the road had been resurfaced.

Seat - Newton Road Seat had been removed for sandblasting and repainting.

Grass verge – Addison Road The problem was exacerbated by recent extremely wet weather. Highways could put up marker posts but felt these would be unpopular with residents. Tarmacking would be best solution but too expensive and residents would bemoan loss of green area. Highways to be asked to look again at problem and consider tarmac.

### Accounts

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| M L Holden (clerk)                                   | 311.78 |
| W B Helm (Cemetery superintendent)                   | 765.55 |
| Inland Revenue (Tax and NI)                          | 349.18 |
| M L Holden (reimburse stationery, computer supplies) | 68.94  |
| P H Greenwell (repair taps allotments)               | 335.35 |
| Atkinson Garden Machinery (sweeper for cricket club) | 535.51 |
| BT (line connection, rental, calls)                  | 82.89  |
| A Banfield (refund allotment deposit)                | 20.00  |

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| Cornhill Insurance (additional premium play equipment) | 29.73   |
| G Ward & Son (seat Easby Lane/Cross Lane)              | 334.87  |
| <u>Receipts</u>  |         |
| M Stevens (reimburse Parish Council dinner)            | 29.50   |
| F Greenwell " " " "                                    | 37.45   |
| Maxtrans (Webster) (replace damaged flower tub)        | 20.00   |
| R Adams (allotment deposit)                            | 20.00   |
| Cemetery receipts                                      | 1004.50 |
| E Peacock (cemetery grave space renewal)               | 36.00   |
| Cemetery grave space renewals                          | 144.00  |
| HM Customs and Excise (VAT refund)                     | 2212.74 |
| K Wilson (cemetery grave space renewal)                | 36.00   |
| D Bailey (garage rent)                                 | 10.00   |
| P Ancell (flower tub sponsorship)                      | 15.00   |
| D Monaghan (flower tub sponsorship)                    | 15.00   |
| J Turnbull (flower tub sponsorship)                    | 15.00   |

Comment was made concerning the expenditure of £335 for repair of allotment taps without estimates having been obtained. It was pointed out that emergency repairs had been requested and the Parish Council was grateful that someone was available to carry out the work.

### Correspondence

Environment Agency – re flooding. Offer to attend future Parish Council meeting

NYCC – re clearing of gullies

HDC – re Community Investment Prospectus Public Meeting, 22.3.01

Colin Atkinson re uncleared footpaths in Hollygarth during snowy weather, detached pipe on depth gauge, new street lamps. *It was pointed out that as Hollygarth was not an adopted highway NYCC would not fill gritting boxes. The roads would have to be brought up to standard in order to be adopted. Councillor Fletcher would investigate. Environment Agency notified of detached pipe.*

Great Ayton Cricket and Football Club – thank you letter

YRCC – invitation to join; Village Halls Conference – 28.4.01

Keith Hepworth – re Silver Band. *Mr Hepworth who had been member of Silver Band expressed interest in old papers and instruments. Papers to be brought to next meeting.*

NYMNPA – consultation draft Best Value Performance Plan and Annual Report

DETR – draft model Code of Conduct consultation paper, final proposals on general principles

HDC re CAPE Scheme

NYCC – Pension Fund proposal for dependant's pensions

The following items of information were received:

Clerks and Councils Direct magazine, play equipment brochure

NYMNPA – agenda 12.3.01, 14.2.01; Northern Area Parish Forum agenda 28.2.01; Planning Committee agenda 19.02.01

NYCC – Pension Fund Officers' Group – meeting 20.03.01

HDC – confirmation of tree preservation order 2000 no. 10. *HDC to be asked to show location of trees subject to TPOs*

HDC – notification that it is no longer illegal to charge members of the public who attend dances on a Sunday, provided that premises are licensed for the purpose

CPRE – raffle tickets for sale, Voice magazine, Planning Update magazine

NYCC – re foot and mouth disease; notices

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NYCC – County Committee for Hambleton agenda 5.3.01

HDC – re rolling register of electors; poster

NYP A – P.A. News – newsletter

Parkdale Play and Leisure Ltd – play equipment brochure

HDC – re Parish Councils' Liaison meeting 11<sup>th</sup> April 2001. *Councillors Mrs Stevens and Mrs Greenwell to attend.*

### Planning applications

Two storey extension to existing dwelling as amended – Firbeck House, Easby Lane. *No representations*

Ground floor extension to existing dwellinghouse – 100 Newton Road. *No representations*

Ground floor extensions to existing dwellinghouse – 3 The Waltons. *No representations*

Layout of land and construction of a church with associated facilities – St Margaret's RC Church, Race Terrace. *Parish Council concerned for residents in Race Terrace whose homes would be darkened. HDC had arranged site visit for 19.3.01*

Amendments to above. *Comment as above*

Alterations and extension to existing dwellinghouse – 134 Roseberry Crescent. *No representations*

Plans approved

Alterations and extensions to existing dwellinghouse and construction of a domestic garage as amended – 1 Stanley Houses

Extension to existing dwellinghouse – 3 California Grove

Alterations and extensions to existing dwellinghouse and construction of a domestic double garage as amended – 3

Stanley Houses

Revised application for an extension to existing dwelling – The Hollies, Station Road

Amendment to plan to carry out works to 6 trees subject to Tree Preservation Order – 4 Old Mill Wynd

#### **Councillors' reports**

Councillor Mrs Imeson suggested that the gap in the wall between the cemetery and Yatton House be reinstated. This was agreed.

Councillor Mrs Greenwell reported that the noticeboard in Park Square was in need of repair.

Councillor Fletcher reported that the traffic calming scheme had been decided by NYCC despite the objections of the Parish Council. The urbanisation of the village was regretted and felt to be out of character. Traffic enforcement by the police would have solved the problem of speeding. Councillor Mrs Greenwell said she was disgusted and that the consultation had been a waste of time. Councillor Fletcher agreed that NYCC had not been prepared to take on anything said by the Parish Council representatives in the two hour meeting.

Councillor Groves reported that the Trod was completely blocked by a branch from a garden in Newton Road. There was also a horrible mess of rubbish and filth. The Footpaths Officer at NYCC would be asked to inspect it. He reported that the seat at Bartle Bridge was in need of repair. B Helm to be asked to mend it.

Councillor Bell reported that the Fish Shop owner had requested that snow clearers went up to his shop. He would be advised to contact Highways.

The date of the following meeting would be Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2001.