

Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

held on Tuesday 4th March 2003 at 7.00 pm

Present

Councillors Mrs F Greenwell, Mrs J Imeson, Mrs M Stevens, R Kirk, J Fletcher, L Groves.
Sgt D Merritt, PC Mike Harrison and a member of the public also attended.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P Bell.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4th February 2003 were approved and signed.

Police Business

Sgt Merritt reported that crime figures were much the same as for the previous month. There had been 3 house burglaries, 4 non dwelling burglaries and 4 auto crimes. In all there had been 23 crimes, 2 accidents (one non-injury and one animal) and 113 incidents of which 7 related to nuisance youths.

Sgt Merritt described the new policing policy. Officers would be allocated to specific areas from 1st April. Those for Great Ayton would be Sgt Merritt and PCs Glyn Jones, Neil Duffy and Mike Harrison. It was hoped that closer links with the village would be made and that the increased police presence would be noticed. An officer would attend all parish council meetings.

Councillor Fletcher reported that a youth had been observed running across the gardens to the rear of High Green. Councillor Mrs Stevens said that vehicles parked on Linden Avenue were impeding access to Linden Close. Sgt Merritt would deal with this problem.

Cemetery

There had been no problems in cemetery.

Mr Atkinson reported that horse riders were damaging the river bank on Low Green. Local riding establishments would be asked to advise their riders not to ride their horses into the river. Mr Atkinson was complimented on the tidy appearance of the cemetery and garden of remembrance. He was advised that the same rules should apply to artificial flowers as to real ones.

Matters arising

Bus stop – Newton Road Highways to be chased up

Village name plinth, Yarm Lane As above

Pavilion shower area Wimpey expressed surprise that the work had not been done. They would contact the contractors again and ask them to deal directly with Barry Sanders.

Footpaths The Parish Council agreed that the footpaths in the public open space should be dedicated as public rights of way and thus qualify for grants. Councillor Groves would meet the Footpaths Officer at the Trod to discuss what further works should be carried out.

Parking, Low Green Minute continued

Highways – potholes Yarm Lane, wall Easby Lane These matters had been dealt with by NYCC Highways.

Standards Committee – parish council representative Mrs Swainston was not standing for re-election.

Village Hall Councillor Kirk had received the surveyor's report from Drama. Minute continued

Street lighting, Guisborough Road A light was scheduled to be fitted to the wall of Londis

Junction A172/B1292 Minute continued

Accounts

Richard Collins (grave digging)	280.00
M L Holden (reimburse new mobile phone for Cemetery Superintendent)	79.98
M L Holden (reimburse telephone account)	63.05
James C Pearson (fit seat High Green)	141.59
<u>Receipts</u>	
L Groves, J Fletcher, Mrs J Imeson, Mrs M Stevens, Mrs F Greenwell, P Bell, Mrs L Holden, H Atkinson (reimburse Parish Council dinner)	292.20
A Bainbridge (allotment deposit)	20.00
Cemetery receipts	780.00
H M Customs and Excise (VAT refund)	539.09
D Bailey (garage rent)	10.00

Correspondence

NYMNPFA – Northern Area Parish Forum – notes of meeting held on 27.1.03; notices and request for agenda items for meeting 10.4.03

Ian Wilson – re heavy goods vehicles through Great Ayton. *Highways would be asked to check positioning of signs at Stokesley roundabout.*

Mrs J Swabey – re weight restriction for vehicles using A173 through village. *Highways would be asked to consider weight restriction*

N Burgess – re criminal incidents in Park Rise. *Matters raised in letter were already under consideration.*

Guisborough and Great Ayton Rotary Club – request for permission to park gazebo or caravan for one day Blood Pressure Check on 5.4.03. *Agreed. Parish Council would prefer gazebo on High Green rather than take up car park spaces*

Mrs S Bainbridge – request to put plaque on bench on High Green in memory of parents. *Applicant to be advised of possibility of purchasing segment of hexagonal seat on High Green as memorial*

HDC – re District/Parish Councils' Liaison Meeting 2.4.03. *Councillor Mrs Greenwell and Clerk to attend.*

Mrs M Rogers – request for permission for memorial seat in cemetery. *Parish Council agreed that seat could be provided but wished to formulate policy to deal with such requests before allowing new seat to be installed.*

HDC – notification of precept £34,500

The following items of information were received:

Rotary Club of Guisborough and Great Ayton – copy of letter sent to Mr Suggitt re provision of new kissing gate in Waterfall Park

DEFRA – re Licensing Bill. Village halls, community facilities and church halls to be exempted from the fees associated with provision of entertainment under the licensing regime.

CPRE – Countryside Voice magazine; raffle tickets; list of houses and gardens

Mrs Garwood – telephone call thanking Parish Council for its letter and D & S cutting

HDC – minutes of Flood Forum meeting 20.1.03

YRCC – Country Air newsletter

Phil Morton – letter thanking Parish Council for invitation to annual dinner

HDC – County Issues – round up of key developments across county

NYMNPA – Planning Committee agenda 13.2.03 for information

Environment Agency – re non-attendance at flood forum meeting. *Councillors were not satisfied with the reasons given for non-attendance.*

NYCC – agenda for County Committee for Hambleton 10.3.03

NYMNPA – agenda meeting 10.3.03 for information

Cleveland Search and Rescue Team – thanks for carol singing donation

Planning applications

Ground floor extension to existing dwellinghouse – 15 Newton Road. *No representations*

Ground floor extension to existing dwellinghouse – 30 Roseberry Road. *No representations*

Alterations and extensions to existing disused agricultural building for use as 2 holiday units – Strawberry Farm, Pannierman Lane. *The Parish Council was opposed to residential development in open countryside. The application stated that there were no footpaths on the property when in fact there was a public footpath.*

Conservatory extension to existing dwellinghouse – 77 Marwood Drive. *No representations*

Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling – minor amendment – 42a Marwood Drive. *No representations*

Layout of land and construction of 3 dwellings, alterations and extensions to existing garage and outbuildings for use as 5 dwellings and alterations to existing dwelling for use as 2 dwellings – 18 – 22 Bridge Street – amended details. *The Parish Council still objected to backland development in the orchard. The site was over-developed and planned buildings would dwarf small cottages in Levenside and Race Terrace.*

Provision of 2 dormer windows – 2 Angrove Drive – minor amendments. *No representations*

Display of an internally illuminated projecting sign – 125 High Street. *The work had already been carried out. It was not as to the drawing submitted.*

Conservatory extension to existing bungalow – 16 Greenacre Close. *No representations*

Conservatory extension to existing dwelling – 84 Marwood Drive. *No representations*

Plans approved

Alterations and extension to existing shop – 74 Newton Road

Alterations and extensions to existing dwellinghouse – 21 Rosehill

Removal of conditions 1 and 4 – Langbaugh Hall

Proposed felling and thinning of alder trees – 12 High Green

Extension to existing bungalow – 7 Easby Lane

Ground floor extension to existing dwelling and construction of a boundary fence with gates – 24 Romany Road

Revised application for the construction of a detached dwellinghouse – 1 Stanley Houses, Yarm Lane

Development Control Committee meetings

Outline application for residential development as amended – Land adjacent 90 Marwood Drive

Layout of land and construction of 3 dwellings, alterations and extensions to existing garage and outbuildings for use as 5 dwellings and alterations to existing dwelling for use as 2 dwellings – 18-22 Bridge Street

Listed Building Consent as above

Date for Annual Parish Meeting

The meeting was arranged for Monday 31st March at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall

Revision of Cemetery fees

A new fee scale was agreed

Councillors' reports

Councillor Mrs Greenwell reported on the Community Safety Partnership problem solving group meeting which she had recently attended. The meeting was also attended by Councillors Mrs Imeson and Mrs Stevens, together with the police, representatives from Bells Stores and community education workers. The shops' off-licenses response had been encouraging.

Councillor Mrs Stevens reported that there was a great deal of litter on the roadside between the allotments and Pannierman Lane. HDC would be notified.

Councillor Fletcher reported that the grass verge in Mill Terrace was being damaged by parked cars. NYCC had suggested using "keep off the grass" signs. It was thought that these would not work.

Councillor Mrs Greenwell had received a request from the Youth Club to have a cake stall on 24.5.03 and a Fun Day on High Green on 28.6.03. The cake stall was approved but more information would be requested regarding the nature of the fun day.

Councillor Bell had sent the minutes of the meeting at the Methodist Church convened to discuss problems caused by youths. The meeting had been attended by the police, youth club leaders and members, church officials and Councillor Bell.

It was reported that the Chairman of the Scouts had resigned. This was regretted.

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday 1st April at 7.00 pm.