

MINUTES OF BRANDSBY-CUM-STEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN CHOLMELEY HALL ON 3rd OCTOBER 2012

Present: Mr R Pearce (Chairman)
Mr J Ward
Mr R Machin
Mr J Eglinton
Mr R Pearson-Adams
The Clerk

Mrs C Patmore NYCC, Mrs C Cookman HDC and four members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None required.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29th MAY 2012

The Minutes having been circulated to the councillors prior to the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3.1 Bycroft “holiday home”

See Planning applications

3.2 Damage to railings at West Lodge

Mr Machin has had these repaired at his expense. Mrs Patmore advised him to contact NYCC regarding the cost.

3.2 Bench for Brandsby

The bench in memory of Mr Ronnie & Mrs Betty Steele has been erected and stands on Snargate Hill.

3.3 Yorkshire Air Ambulance

After the collection details were discussed it was decided not to allow a bin to be placed near Cholmeley Hall. The Clerk will email YAA with this decision.

3.4 New fencing around parish field

Mr Grainger has asked for a contribution from the Parish Council towards the cost of this fencing. After discussion it was agreed not to contribute.

3.5 Kissing Gate on public footpath near Cholmeley Hall

Mrs Patmore will ask NYCC about repairing this.

3.5 HDC – Code of Conduct

Complete.

3.7 Cherry trees in the village –One tree has been cut down. When the others need to be felled, because of their height and that they are overhanging the road, NYCC need to be informed.

3.6 Playground

Members of the Playground Committee were asked to attend this meeting to discuss the progress of this playground. Three attended.

Mr Twynham, a member of the public present, and a Cholmeley Hall Committee member, apologised on behalf of Mr Giles Scott of Langley Solicitors, for his absence.

The playground is now complete, but no lease agreement is in place.

The Parish Council chairman read out the draft Heads of Terms agreement and then handed it to Mrs Teresa Jones for the Playground Committee's consideration. The Playground Committee would meet within a reasonable time to discuss this document and then return it to Langley by 31st October.

Langley would then prepare a draft Lease Agreement to be considered by the Parish Council and then send to the Playground Committee. The cost of drawing up the Lease Agreement would be met by the Playground Committee. One member of the Playground Committee was not happy with this and thought the cost should be split between the Playground Committee and the Parish Council. The councillors objected to this. At the outset, the playground was approved on the condition it would be self-funded.

Concern was raised by the Playground Committee regarding the funds held on their behalf by the Village Hall Committee. Mr Eglinton explained he had been in contact with the Charities Commission regarding the procedures for handing over the funds which would be completed once the Lease Agreement was in place. The Chairman added that if the Playground received invoices relating to the playground, a copy of the invoice should be passed to Mr Eglinton who would pay a cheque to the Playground Committee.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

4.1 PROPOSAL: Alterations to part of bakery/butchery building to farm shop and tea room and construction of a loading bay as amended by plans received by HDC on 20 April & 13 June.

LOCATION: Seaves Farm, Brandsby

APPLICANT: Farmhouse Direct

The applicant has withdrawn this application.

4.2 PROPOSAL: Retrospective application to change the use of agricultural land and building to equestrian. Alterations to existing building to form a stable block and feed store as amended by plans received by HDC on 23 July 2012

LOCATION: Seaves Farm, Brandsby

APPLICANT: Seaves Farming Co Ltd

HDC have GRANTED this application

4.3 PROPOSAL: Proposed alterations and extensions to existing dwelling

LOCATION: The Spinney, Brandsby

APPLICANT: Mr R Oates

BPC approved this application

HDC have GRANTED this application

4.4 PROPOSAL: Proposed construction of first floor extension and new entrance canopy to existing dwelling.

LOCATION: Ashtree Lodge, Olivers Bank, Brandsby

APPLICANT: Mr J Carlton-Musker

BPC approved this application

HDC have GRANTED this application

4.5 PROPOSAL: Application to vary condition regarding parking and turning area

LOCATION: Seaves Mill, Brandsby,

APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs P Lynas

HDC have GRANTED this application

4.6 PROPOSAL: Extensions to existing stables and garage comprising the construction of new garages and a linking barn between garages and stables.

LOCATION: The Granary, Warren House, Brandsby

APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs P Lawery

HDC have GRANTED this application

4.7 PROPOSAL: Proposed alterations and extension to existing dwelling.

LOCATION: 1 High Side, Brandsby

APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs M Davis

HDC have GRANTED this application

4.8 PROPOSAL: Application to vary condition to allow the holiday cottage to be used as an annexe to Cotman Rise.

LOCATION: Cotman Rise, Brandsby

APPLICANT: Mr N Bycroft

HDC have GRANTED this application

5. FINANCE

The balance of the bank Account as at 21 September 2012 is £2,692.33

Cheques paid out since the last meeting

30 May 2012	100217 Clerks salary	£120.00
30 May	100216 Petty cash	£46.95
28 June	100219 Jubilee mugs	£413.28
6 Sept	100221 Unsworth village grass cutting	£63.60
7 Sept	100220 Mazars audit	£60.00

Cheques paid in

24 May	Inland Rev – VAT refund	£314.61
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The petty cash book, cheque book, paying in book, statements etc were available for inspection by the councillors.

The precept for April 2013 to March 2014 was set at £2,000.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 HDC –Change of name from Low Farm Bungalow, to Holly Tree Cottage.

6.2 Audit Commission – New external auditors have been appointed from 2012/13. Littlejohn LLP have been appointed for five years.

Various items of correspondence have been responded to as necessary by the Clerk during the period.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Road side gullies – The gullies at the side of Yearsley road need cleaning out. Mrs Patmore will advise NYCC.

7.2 Public footpath stile - The stile at the end of High Wood has been broken and is in need of repair. Mrs Patmore will advise NYCC.

7.3 Sewerage system at Brandsby Hall

Mr Pearson-Adams is to find out from the owners of Brandsby Hall whether or not they intend to build their own sewerage system for their own use.

7.4 Potholes in Stearsby village, on NYCC land near the garages, allegedly caused by the dustbin lorry and on the Brandsby/Crayke road – Mrs Patmore will advise NYCC.

7.5 Yearsley junction into the village – Due to lorries turning left the curb stone needs replacing. Mrs Patmore will inform NYCC.

7.6 HDC Precept – Letter re setting of precept for 2012/14 received.

As there was no other business the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Chairman.....

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