

**MINUTES OF BRANDSBY-CUM-STEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
IN CHOLMELEY HALL ON 12 MARCH 2015 AT 7.30PM**

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

Mrs C Patmore NYCC and Mrs C Cookman HDC were present. One member of the public was present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None required.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30 OCTOBER 2014

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 Highway Matters – Mrs Patmore will once again report the poor condition of the Brandsby to Crayke road. There has been some work in Stearsby. There is a water leak at the end of The Avenue. The Clerk will report this leak to Yorkshire Water.

The moving of the Brandsby sign is the responsibility of the PC and Mrs Patmore is going to ask NYCC Highways for more information on how to proceed. The Clerk wished to know what the cost of this work would be.

3.2 Planning matters – The Chairman expressed his disappointment and anger at the shed which has been built in the field at 2 Woodside, Brandsby. At the outset the PC was not agreeable to some aspects of the plans and HDC Planning Department has taken no notice of either the PC or the private individuals who made comments.

3.3 Cholmeley Hall – Graham Kay, the member of public present, reported that two new members had been recruited onto the Committee. This made things a little easier and the committee were now more optimistic with renewed enthusiasm. The finances are healthy and a new oven and microwave have been purchased. In the future it was hoped that a better heating system could be installed.

3.4 Advertising signs – The Clerk emailed NYCC re the “laying of hedge” sign on the verge approaching Brandsby on the Stillington road. No response has been received. Mrs Patmore will ask NYCC to remove this sign.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PROPOSAL: Revised application for Listed Building consent for alterations to windows and doors.
LOCATION: Stearsby Grange Farm, Stearsby
APPLICANT: Mr G S Scott

Granted by HDC

PROPOSAL: Variation of condition of planning consent – occupancy conditions (Agricultural)
LOCATION: Warren House Farm, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mr D Shields

Granted by HDC

PROPOSAL: Revised applications for Listed Building Consent for the installation of a roof lantern of single storey extension. Alterations to the existing boundary wall to form a gateway into the garden, installation of entrance gates and installation of extract grille as amended by details received by HDC.
LOCATION: Seaves Barn, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mr K Stirk

Approved by BPC
Granted by HDC

5 FINANCE

The balance in the bank account as at 21 February 2015 - £2,556.95

Cheques presented since the last meeting: -

9 Dec 2014	100241	Cholmeley Hall Ins	£697.46
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Cheques paid in since last meeting

28 Oct 2014	Winter grazing rents, hedge cutting	£290.00
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All cheque books, paying in book, statements, petty cash book etc were available for inspection by the councillors

6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 NYCC Library budget – The Council will retain a major library in each of the seven NY districts. Community run libraries will be run by volunteers and in the communities which have already community run libraries they have been very successful.

6.2 Re Emergency Planning – A letter has been received from Mrs Aynsley Halligan who had attended a meeting run by Rural Action Yorkshire regarding a Community Emergency Plan. She asked whether we have a “First Responder” in Brandsby. We have not but the chairman will put a notice in the church magazine to see if anyone is interested in becoming one. A “trained” first aider would be appropriate.

6.3 Grant money available – The Clerk received an email from Mrs Cookman re the availability of “a pot of money” to spend on any projects that will make a difference to people’s lives. Mr Graham Kay, the member of public present, and chairman of the Cholmeley Hall Committee will liaise with Mrs Cookman with the possibility of making an application for a grant.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Council Elections – The Clerk gave out the nominations packs to the present councillors who wish to stand in the May Election. The Clerk asked that when the nominees completed the application forms they were returned to her to forward to HDC.

7.2 Chairman- As this was the Chairman, Roger Pearce’s last meeting as both Chairman and councillor John Ward gave a vote of thanks to Roger for all the work he has done during his years as both councillor and chairman and wished him all the very best in the future.

7.3 Book Swap in Telephone Box – Julian Eglinton asked the telephone box could be used for a book swap. The Chairman explained that the telephone box was still in use and was owned by BT so this would not be possible.

7.4 Various other correspondence dealt with by the Clerk as necessary.

As there was no other business the meeting closed at 8.30.

Chairman.....

Date.....

