

**MINUTES OF BRANDSBY-CUM-STEARSBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN CHOLMELEY HALL ON 10 OCTOBER 2013 AT 7.30PM**

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

Mrs C Patmore NYCC & Mrs C Cookman HDC. No members of the public were present.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None required.

2. **MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30 MAY 2013**

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 **Damage to railing at West Lodge**
Ongoing.

3.2 **Stearnsby and Brandsby to Easingwold road pot holes**

Mrs Patmore is again going to report to NYCC the very bad state of the road between Brandsby and Easingwold. Mr Pearson Adams has done some work on the pot holes and will wait to see whether the problems have been solved.

3.3 **Traffic calming measures**

The clerk was asked to contact the Safety Partnership and ask them to set up a speed check through the village to ascertain whether or not a Temporary Vehicle Activated system would be suitable for Brandsby. This speed check needs to take place over a period of time.

Mrs Patmore reported that there is no finance available for permanent traffic calming measures at present.

3.4 **Hedge cutting and verges**

The grass cutting and hedge cutting scheme was totally unacceptable this year. It has not been done. Mr Eglinton had another contractor in mind who might do the job. He would contact this contractor. If this new contractor was not able to do the work Mr Eglinton would liaise with Mr Machin who would contact the original contractor for clarification of when the job would be done.

4. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications have been received from HDC

- a. PROPOSAL: Application to increase height of extension
LOCATION: Brook House, Stearsby
APPLICANT: Mrs L J Watson

HDC have approved this application

- b. PROPOSAL: Formation of a fenced ménage
LOCATION: Stearsby Hall, Stearsby
APPLICANT: Ms T Howell

HDC have approved this application

- c. PROPOSAL: Alterations to existing dwelling
LOCATION: Seaves Mill, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs P Lynas

HDC have approved this application

- d. PROPOSAL: Replacement of windows
LOCATION: New Cottage, Dale Cottages, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mrs A Halligan

Brandsby cum Stearsby Parish Council wish to see this application approved

- e. PROPOSAL: Construction of a wildlife/environmental pond
LOCATION: Snargate, Snargate Farm, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mr W H Page

HDC have approved this application

- f. PROPOSAL: Alterations and two storey extension to existing dwelling and demolition of double garage.
LOCATION: Water End Farm, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs Gilbert

HDC have approved this application

- g. PROPOSAL: An opening in existing boundary wall to form a gateway into the garden to previously approved scheme.
LOCATION: Seaves Barn, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mr K Stirk

HDC have approved this application

- h. PROPOSAL: Installation of 4 roof lights to listed building
LOCATION: Stearsby Grange Farm, Stearsby
APPLICANT: Mr G S Scott

HDC have approved this application

- i. PROPOSAL: Alterations and extension to existing stable building
LOCATION: Seaves Farm, Brandsby
APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs D Kitson

BPC reply: Although unhappy with the anomalies in this application as per my recent email and that the near neighbours have been consulted BPC have no other comments and leave HDC to make the final decision.

- j. **PROPOSAL:** Retrospective application for extension to existing butchery/bakery building to form a loading bay.
 LOCATION: Seaves Farm, Brandsby
 APPLICANT: Seaves Farming Co. Ltd

BPC have no comments to make on this application but are very unhappy about the number of retrospective planning applications that have been made over a long period.

5. **FINANCE**

The bank balance as at 21 September 2013 is £3,091.71.

Cheques presented since the last meeting: -

5 June 13	100227	Petty cash for the year	51.64
5 June 13	100228	Clerk salary	120.00
11 July 13	100229	Clerks tax	30.00
22 July 13	100230	Public liability insurance	113.53

No payments in have been received.

The petty cash book, cheque book, paying in book, statements etc were available for inspection by the councillors.

6. **PLAYGROUND UPDATE**

A meeting has been held together with a representative from HDC to progress this issue. Mrs Cookman wanted to look forward rather than backward to get progression. Mrs Jones was to look at the lease proposed and report back. The Cholmeley Hall Committee and the Parish Council suggested an “open day” for the villagers and use of the facilities free of charge. Nothing has become of this suggestion.

An email from Mrs Jones on 8 October was received by the Chairman (Mr Pearce) with a few clauses to be discussed. These clauses were read out to the councillors and amended or left in as thought necessary.

A meeting of the Chairman of BPC, Mr Eglinton, Mrs Jones and as many members of the Play Ground committee as possible was to be set up to discuss the lease and any amendments.

Subject to that meeting and if the signing of the lease agreement is before 30 November 2013 Brandsby Parish Council will contribute £500 towards the cost of Langley’s invoice. If the deadline for signing the lease is not met, the offer of part payment would be withdrawn and the future of the playground would be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 7.1 **HDC** – New formal address for a new existing property in Brandsby – Warren House Farm.
- 7.2 **Langleys** – Lease for Playground -An invoice has been received for this work.
- 7.3 **NYCC** – Election to Fill Vacancies for Co-opted members – The names of the selected members.

7.4 NYCC – Proposed reductions to bus service subsidy – An invitation to view the consultation is on the NYCC’s website. (if printed it amounts to 220 pages!!)

7.5 Howardian Hills – Annual Report received.

7.6 NHS – Children’s and maternity services at The Friarage Hospital – The public consultation document – Options for the future - received.

7.7 Howardian Hills Management Plan 2014-2019 – Handed to John Ward to read.

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

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

8.1 Brandsby/Easingwold Road

It was reiterated that the road between Brandsby and Easingwold is in appalling condition and Mrs Patmore was asked to put more pressure on NRCC to repair it. Mrs Patmore would send a strong email to the Highways department.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm

Chairman.....

Date.....