

Newton-le-Willows Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held Wednesday August 21st 2013

Present: Councillors: Paul Barlow, Elaine Bean, Joyce Harrison, Alan Hudson & Peter Olsen;
Bob Sampson (*Clerk*) and 5 members of the public.

1. Apologies: None

2. Previous minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on Wed. 10th July 2013 were approved and signed.

3. Matters arising:

- Village plaques – Peter Olsen said that these had now been ordered from a new source and would be erected shortly.
- Flooding - It was reported that NYCC had been working outside Aysgarth School; the Clerk to write to the Highways Dept. requesting confirmation of work completed and work outstanding and also to report water running under Station Road bridge. Paul Barlow said that Aysgarth School was still investigating drainage problems upstream and that he would liaise with Andrew Francis, Estates and Finance Mgr.

4. Planning application for a dwelling to the rear of Turtle's Place: Brian Hodges, the applicants' planning consultant, detailed the proposal, outlined the current planning position in relation to the emerging Local Plan and responded to Councillors' questions. It was agreed that, subject to Peter Olsen's scrutiny of the application, the Parish Council supported the proposal but stressed that there needed to be further consultation with the Village Hall Trustees to clarify the access arrangements to the site.

5. The Wheatsheaf: It was confirmed that a Section 215 notice had been served requiring action before 26th November, provided that there was no appeal.

6. Road safety / speed monitoring: Paul Barlow said that he would pursue the installation of a mobile speed matrix. The Community Safety Partnership had confirmed that speed data loggers would be re-deployed after the start of school term.

In relation to the problem at the junction of Masham Road and No Man's Moor Lane, the Clerk was asked to write to NYCC to ask what progress had been made.

The Police had also offered to monitor the use of mobile telephones by drivers and it was agreed that both Aysgarth School parents and residents should be advised accordingly. It was requested that PC Nigel Haresign be invited to the next Parish Council meeting.

- 7. Village Choir:** Councillors approved the payment of £50 to the choir as a one-off payment to assist with start-up costs.
- 8. Condition of roads and pavements:** Councillors considered that the response from NYCC concerning repairs to highways etc, was unacceptable and said that delaying repairs would be a false economy as more damage would occur in the longer term. Councillors reported that plastic cones had been placed around potholes but no work had been undertaken. The Clerk to contact the Highways Dept. to ask when this work would be done but also to point out that there were other areas requiring more urgent action. A request to be made to meet a NYCC representative on site. In addition, the extension of the white lines under Station Road bridge had not been completed and the Clerk was ask to pursue this with NYCC.
- 9. Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership:** There was no report.
- 10. Newton-le-Willows Village Hall Trustees:** Peter Olsen reported that the Trustees were engaged in discussions about access to the planning application site to the rear of Turtle's Place; a Frog Race evening is to be held on 5th October; The Hall is to be redecorated this autumn and regular grass cutting was now taking place. Elaine Bean had completed a risk assessment for the play area, as a result of which a disclaimer sign would be put up.
- 11. Financial approvals:** The Council approved the following payment:
N-I-W Village Hall, room hire - £22.50
- 12. Items for next meeting :**
- Planning – Peter Featherstone, Richmondshire District Council to be invited
 - The Wheatsheaf
 - Road safety – PC Nigel Haresign to be invited.
 - Condition of roads & pavements
 - Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership
 - Village Hall Trustees report
- 13. Date of next meeting** - Wednesday 2nd October 2013 at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall. The subsequent meeting would be on 20th November 2013.

Paul Barlow,
Chairman, Newton-le-Willows Parish Council