

Newton-le-Willows Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held Thursday 29th November 2012

Present: Councillors: Paul Barlow, Elaine Bean, Alan Hudson & Peter Olsen;
Bob Sampson (*Clerk*) and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies: Joyce Harrison.

2. Previous minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 4th October 2012 were approved and signed.

3. Matters arising:

- Village plaques – Peter Olsen said that the existing plaque would be used on the Sinks Lane village sign and smaller plaques would be bought for the other village signs. The cost would be about £250 and he will liaise with the Chair of the Village of the Year Prize Money Working Party.
- Registers of interests – All Councillors had now completed the forms.

4. Annual precept: The following precept was agreed:

Parish Council insurance	£165	Grit bin	£75
St Patrick's Church	£320	Payroll services	£60
Newton News	£60	Playground insurance & maintenance	£200
Travel, Training & seminars	£50	YLCA	£135
Richmond CAB	£60	Sustainability	£50
Stationery, post etc	£100	First aid training	£100
Rural Action Yorkshire	£40	Daytime social group	£100
Village Hall hire	£100	Engendering new groups	£200
Parish Clerk honorarium	£1435		
Climate Change	£50		
		Total	£3300

5. Grit bin on School Lane: It was decided to pay the current invoice for maintenance of the bin this winter but to investigate independent purchase and storage of grit for next winter.

6. Footpath under Station Road bridge: The Council asked that the Clerk write to the County Council Improvement Manager, Neil Linfoot, to ask what progress had been made on the painting of the lines under the bridge and the review of signs at this location. Elaine Bean had researched the cost of solar powered speed matrix boards but had found them to be prohibitively expensive.

7. The Wheatsheaf: No reply had been received from the owner in response to the request for a site meeting. The Clerk to write to Richmondshire District Council asking that the solicitor visits the site before the end of the year and meets the Parish Council.

- 8. Newton-le-Willows Village Hall Trustees:** Youth Club equipment - Peter Olsen reported that the Trustees proposed disposing of all out of date electrical equipment to a Mencap training centre and had sold the beanbags for £20. Proceeds to be paid into the Youth Club account.
- 9. Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership:** There was no report. The next meeting will be in December.
- 10. Standing Orders:** The NALC document, *'Standing Orders For Local Councils'* had been circulated and it would be discussed at a subsequent meeting when all Councillors were present.
- 11. Parish Plan:** The Draft Plan was agreed for publication. The Clerk and Elaine Bean to arrange printing of 200 copies to be distributed with the January issue of Newton News. Paul Barlow will draw up a more prescriptive version of the Action Plan for use by Parish Councillors. He thanked all those who had been involved in the preparation of the Plan.
- 12. Community Resilience Plan:** Elaine Bean said that the Plan had been updated and that the Council had been commended by NYCC who wished to use it as a model. Emergency Planners from Richmondshire and Ryedale District Councils had provided a detailed plan of the Parish; Peter Olsen will discuss its display in the Village Hall with the VH Trustees.
- 13. North Yorkshire County Council Area Committee Grant:** Councillors agreed the allocation of £400 maximum for the printing of the Parish Plan, £400 maximum for a colour photocopier and the balance for implementation of Parish Plan projects; Clerk to investigate cost of toner etc for photocopier. The existing photocopier could then be advertised for sale.
- 14. Financial approvals –** The Council approved the following payments:
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| Room hire | - £25.00 | Play are maintenance/ inspections - | £141.60 |
| Photocopier toner | - £82.79 | Post for Neighbourhood Watch signs - | £12.96 |
- 15. Items for next meeting -**
- Footpath under Station Road Bridge
 - The Wheatsheaf
 - Village Hall Trustees report
 - Lower. Wensleydale Area Partnership
 - NYCC Area Committee grant
 - Flooding
- 16. Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday 10th January 2013 at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall. Subsequent meetings would be on 21st February and 4th April.

Paul Barlow

Chairman, Newton-le-Willows Parish Council