

Newton-le-Willows Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held Thursday 4th October 2012

Present: Councillors: Elaine Bean, Joyce Harrison, Alan Hudson & Peter Olsen;
Bob Sampson (*Clerk*).

- 1. Apologies:** Paul Barlow. In his absence Joyce Harrison took the chair. The Council asked that a letter of condolence be sent to Councillor Alan Hudson, whose wife, Gwyneth, had died recently.
- 2. Previous minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 9th August 2012 were approved and signed.
- 3. Matters arising:**
 - Village plaques – Peter Olsen said that he was still pursuing this and was planning to use the existing plaque on the Brompton Road village sign and buy 3 extra plaques for the other village signs. This was agreed subject to the cost being within the budgeted amount.
 - Dales Integrated Transport Alliance – Elaine Bean confirmed that she had written a letter of support.
 - Registers of interests – 2 Councillors had yet to complete the forms.
- 4. Parish Plan:** The results had been analysed by Joyce Harrison and presented to the Working Group. Paul Barlow will draw up a draft report and action plan for consideration.
- 5. Footpath under Station Road bridge** – The County Council Improvement Manager, Neil Linfoot, had met Councillors on site and, although unable to justify major improvements, had offered to paint lines on the roadway on each side of the bridge to emphasise the narrowing of the road and thus improve pedestrian safety. He will also review the relevant road signs on Station Road. A moveable speed matrix sign may also become available in the near future. Elaine Bean referred to a solar powered sign and offered to investigate costs.
- 6. The Wheatsheaf** - A meeting with District Council Officers had taken place and, whilst the planning conditions had been met, the Council was still committed to compliance with the section 215 notice, requiring tidying up of the site and building. It was decided to seek a meeting with the landowner to discuss the concerns of the Parish Council. The Clerk to write to his agent accordingly.
- 7. Newton-le-Willows Village Hall Trustees** – Peter Olsen reported that the Trustees were concerned about the Youth Club equipment and would prepare a list of items for consideration by the Parish Council prior to disposal.

8. Village Hall Trustee – Peter Olsen was elected as Parish Council representative.

9. Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership – Elaine Bean reported that she had given a progress report on the Parish Plan in accordance with the terms of the grant from the Partnership

10. Standing Orders – A copy of Part 1 of the NALC document, *Standing Orders For Local Councils* was still circulating among Councillors and it was agreed that this item should remain on the agenda for discussion at future meetings.

11. Financial approvals – The Council approved the following payments:

Room hire	- £7.50	Audit fee	- £144.00
Clerk's expenses	- £6.33	Clerk's salary	- £280.00
Tax on clerk's salary	- £70.00		

12. Items for next meeting -

- NYCC Area Committee grant
- Community Resilience Plan
- Parish Plan
- Standing orders
- Lower. Wensleydale Area Partnership
- Village Hall Trustees report
- Footpath under Station Road Bridge
- The Wheatsheaf

13. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 22nd November. 2012 at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall. The Clerk was asked to draft a schedule of dates for subsequent meetings.

Paul Barlow

Chairman, Newton-le-Willows Parish Council