

Newton-le-Willows Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 7th July 2015

Present: Councillors: Elaine Bean, Joyce Harrison & Peter Olsen, Bob Sampson (*Clerk*) and 5 members of the public. In Paul Barlow's absence Joyce Harrison took the Chair.

1. Apologies: Alan Hudson,

2. Previous minutes: The minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 13th May 2015 were approved and signed.

3. Matters arising:

- Pavement in Station Road – This was continuing to deteriorate and the Clerk was asked to contact the County Council again to request action.
- Street light at Bank Terrace – This had now been repaired.
- Gritting on Station Road – The County Council had responded to say that this would be provided prior to next winter.
- Road safety – The clerk to arrange a meeting with NYCC and the police during the summer.
- Defibrillator – Training had been provided and was well attended.
- Community transport – the Clerk was asked to repeat the request for the relevant leaflets.

4. The Wheatsheaf - No further information was available. The Clerk was asked to write to Alison Pilkington to ask for a progress report.

5. Renewable Energy Project – 3 tenders had been received for the feasibility study; the working group had appraised these and would shortly be making an application for a grant to WRAP.

6. North Yorkshire speed reduction wheelie bin stickers – It was decided to defer this item to the next meeting.

7. Parish Council precept – The review of precepts of comparable Parishes had shown Newton-le-Willows to be well within the normal range and considerably below the highest figures. It was considered to have been a worthwhile exercise.

8. Parish Council bank account – It was agreed to add Elaine Bean's name to the current 3 signatories with cheques to be signed by any 2 of the 4 signatories.

9. Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership – There was nothing to report.

10. Village Hall Trustee's report - Peter Olsen reported that there had been 2 meetings of the Village Hall Trustees; the damp in the storeroom would be treated; the Hall hiring arrangements were being reviewed; the damage to the front wall by a lorry was being dealt with through an insurance claim; the Green Room profitability was satisfactory; 2 events were planned: a fish and chips evening on 14th July and a village barbecue on 1st August.

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

YLCA subscription - £118.00; defibrillator installation - £171.00; St Patrick's Church donation - £375.00; Newton News donation - £30.00; Richmond CAB donation - £60.00; N-I-W Cricket Club donation £1,000.00; room hire - £23.75; Clerk's expenses March – June - £98.99; RAY subscription - £35.00; Clerk's salary April – June - £295.15; tax on Clerk's salary - £73.60.

12. Items for next meeting :

Station Road pavement, The Wheatsheaf, Renewable energy project, Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership, Village Hall Trustee's report, Anaerobic digester at Arbour Hill. Wheelie bin speed reduction stickers.

13. Dates of next meetings - Wednesday 26th August and Wednesday 7th October, both at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall.

Paul Barlow,

Chairman, Newton-le-Willows Parish Council