

Newton-le-Willows Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held Thursday 9th August 2012

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

- 1. Apologies:** None

- 2. Previous minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 14th June 2012 were approved and signed.

- 3. Matters arising:**
 - Dog waste – An article had appeared in Newton News. Richmondshire DC was now emptying the dog waste bin was emptied more regularly.
 - Kissing gates – The landowner had not agreed to the replacement of the stiles with kissing gates. It was therefore decided to leave the matter in abeyance, pending the outcome of the Parish Plan exercise. The Clerk to write to Mr & Mrs Handley, who had proposed the gates, to explain the position.
 - Village plaques – This had not yet been resolved.

- 4. Parish Plan:** The survey forms had been distributed and partly collected and were being collated by Joyce Harrison. Paul Barlow thanked all those involved. A meeting of the Working Party will be arranged to analyse the survey results.

- 5. Village of the Year prize money:** It was agreed to wait until the findings of the Parish Plan were published before allocating further grants. The Clerk to write accordingly to the Chairman of the Village of the Year Working Party.

- 6. Footpath under Station Road bridge** – The County Council Improvement Manager, Neil Linfoot, had offered a meeting to discuss possible solutions to this problem. This will be arranged for early September.

- 7. Dales Integrated Transport Alliance** – It was agreed that Elaine Bean should write a letter of support for the Alliance on behalf of the Parish Council.

- 8. Lower Wensleydale Area Partnership** – Elaine Bean reported that the next meeting will be in September. The Clerk was asked to obtain an invoice for printing of the Parish Plan to support the claim for grant from the Partnership.

9. Parish Council Code of Conduct: Having adopted the Model Code produced by NALC, Councillors voted to use the NALC form of standing order and the register of interest form produced by Richmondshire DC. The Clerk to prepare the necessary paper for completion by Councillors.

10. Richmondshire Local Plan Core Strategy – This is to be circulated to Councillors who will provide comments by 7th September in order to respond to the District Council.

11. Newton-le-Willows Village Hall Trustees – There was no report.

12. 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.

13. The Wheatsheaf - Alison Pilkington had replied to the Council's concerns about the "discharge of conditions" application. In response, Councillors sought a meeting on site to discuss their reservations about the site.

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

Small Parish Insurance	- £156.88	Jubilee tree	- £32.10
Room hire	- £27.50	Church noticeboard	- £516.00
Clerk's expenses	- £30.79	Clerk's salary	- £280.00
Tax on clerk's salary	- £70.00	Playground insurance	- £53.64

15. Items for next meeting -

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

16. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 4th October 2012 at 6.00 pm in the Village Hall. The following meeting will be on 22nd November.

Paul Barlow

Chairman, Newton-le-Willows Parish Council