

MINUTES OF GREAT AND LITTLE BARUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 3RD MAY 2016, 7.30PM

THE GOLDEN LION, GREAT BARUGH

Present

Chair	Mrs Sarah Houlston
Vice Chair/Clerk	Mrs Karen Garrett
Councillors	Mr Peter Milner
	Mr Richard Metcalfe
	Mr Duncan Collinson

Apologies None

Village Attendees

John Gillies, Ann Milner, Barry Browne, Ian Bovington, Jerry Swift, Liz Hallett, Peter French, Steve Pearse, Dorothy Brewer, Ian Boyington, Jerry Swift

1. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the Meeting held on 12/01/16 were approved and signed.

2. Matters Arising

- A) Salt – it was noted that salt had been ordered but only delivered to Great Barugh and not Little Barugh despite instructions where it should go and unclear as to the quantity that had been delivered as one bin was already almost full, no invoice has yet been received. Mrs Houlston mentioned that a possibility was to check pricing with BATA. Agenda item for an Autumn meeting.
- B) Pavements – Mrs Garrett said she had written to NYCC with photographs of pavements in both villages and was awaiting a response.
- C) Common Rights – still in progress with Mr Milner.
- D) Speeding – to be itemised on Agenda for next meeting. Action – Sarah Houlston
- E) Digital Transparency – website in progress. Mrs Garrett stated she had received documents from YLCA regarding further funding for next two years which contradicted the change to one years' funding. Mrs Garrett to follow up to check as this would mean it would not impact the precept.
- F) Pond Area at Little Barugh. Due to wet winter and the issues caused by BT on the green, works had been on hold until further investigation with BT for making good any damage caused.
- G) Queens Birthday Celebrations – Mrs Houlston stated an informal meeting had been held the week before. The date has been set for Saturday 11th June, the venue The Golden

Lion. The responses to date were 29 adults and 8 children. Mr Gillies questioned that the invitation looked like it was for a children's party which had possibly confused residents and that the film should be a last resort if the weather is good. He also questioned why there wasn't a barbecue or hog roast like last time and why it did not go on later. Mrs Garrett said there would be games for the children and offers had been made to organise them. Mrs Houlston said that it was an Afternoon Tea party for all residents, the idea being to bring everyone together and that with previous experiences, barbecues take a lot of organising and manpower and that volunteers are needed in order to run such events. The hog roast would rely on a large number of people to make it viable. It was also stated that the times had been agreed at the informal meeting. Mr Milner requested Mrs Houlston see if Mr Allen had a cherry picker that could be used for putting bunting up along one side of the village, Mr Milner has a number of people to assist with it. Mrs Garrett stated that there had been many kind offers of baking.

3. Public Session

Peter French spoke as Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator.

- a) The Police and Crime Commissioner Election 5th May.
- b) Peter French reported that signage had been agreed by Openreach to have 4 signs over 3 villages but he was still awaiting a response from NYCC Highways.
- c) He briefly outlined Community Speed Watch where members of the public are being recruited to man speed guns and the difficulties with neighbourhood policing.

4. To consider planning application 16/00520/HOUSE Erection of single storey extension and erection of garage. Mr & Mrs Bulmer.

It was resolved that the Parish Council had no objection to the proposed development after viewing the plans. A response to be sent to Ryedale District Council to that effect.

5. Planning Application Not Received – defer until it arrives

6. To consider holding funds for Brawby Parish Meeting

Mrs Garrett declared an interest and did not take part in discussion. Mrs Houlston stated that she had been approached by Glenn Garrett, Chair of Brawby Parish Meeting with regards to the possibility of holding funds they have been given by NYCC towards the purchase of a pump. As a Parish Meeting they do not have a bank account and NYCC could not hold the funds for them. Mrs Houlston stated she had sought advice from the YLCA and they had advised that it was acceptable to do so provided the funds were accounted for. Mr Milner stated it still kept the Parish Council within the lower audit level without impacting on Parish funds. Mr Milner asked the cost of a pump, Mrs Houlston said Mr Garrett had said

in the region of £10k to £15k. Mrs Houlston asked for a vote and it was unanimously voted to agree to hold the funds.

7. To update on Third Energy Planning Application, BGS drop in re baseline monitoring and EA permits.

Mrs Houlston stated that the EA had approved the environmental permits and notices were on the notice boards.

The BGS drop in had been very interesting, they are carrying a number of environmental baseline tests. Radon monitoring, borehole sampling etc. The concern was raised that they only have funding until March 2017, it is questionable what monitoring if any would continue after that.

The Planning hearing is on the 20th May at County Hall. Mrs Garrett stated that she has registered to speak on behalf of the Parish Council in order to obtain the representation time and asked if any other Councillor wished to speak instead. No other Councillor offered. Mrs Garrett said that anyone could register to speak for or against the application and she has the contact details and would provide them if asked after the meeting. Mrs Garrett asked the Councillors if they had any specific points they wished to be included in the representation but none were offered.

Mrs Houlston stated that the Parish Council has an invitation to a presentation by Ineos at The Milton Rooms in Malton on the 11th May at 1.30pm. Any Councillor could attend.

8. To report on meeting with PCC

Mrs Houlston and Mrs Garrett attended a meeting with Julia Mulligan, the PCC at Kirby Misperton Village Hall. It was a very constructive meeting. Mrs Mulligan had discussed concerns with residents over the policing of issues surrounding Third Energy's application including transport issues, accidents etc. She had also explained Community Speed Watch which has been taken up by 90 communities so far and is being rolled out over North Yorkshire. The Parish Council have to apply online and give evidence regarding previous and ongoing speeding issues in order to qualify. Mrs Houlston asked if there were any additional information that could be provided to support the application. Mr Bovington said that the new residents at Cloudberry Cottage were in touch with NYCC regarding speeding. Mrs Garrett said she would contact them.

Mrs Mulligan explained that North Yorkshire Police were setting up a special rural crime unit in order to tackle rural crime. There was consternation from the residents attending the meeting that this would not be enough and that we did not even know the name of a local PCSO or how to contact them. Mrs Houlston stated that another meeting was set for the 31st May with the Chief Superintendant as a follow up.

9. To discuss grass cutting and maintenance.

Mrs Garrett stated Dorothy Ashton had asked if anyone would be willing to volunteer to look after the part of the green that Paul had always kept tidy opposite The Clock House and near the pond. Mr Metcalfe stated he would give the bench a paint. Mrs Garrett asked Mr

Collinson if he could mention it to residents, maybe those who had volunteered to tidy the pond area. Mrs Garrett wished to send our condolences to Dorothy.

Mr Metcalfe said he was happy to trim and tidy at the top of Great Barugh as he has always done.

10. To report on NYCC Workshop

Mrs Garrett said she had attended a workshop organised by NYCC Highways which was a presentation and Q & A on how the Highways department operates. Mrs Garrett explained some of the points that were covered with regards to the hierarchy and who is our local contact. She stated she had learned that if potholes are not reported in the proper manner, either via a call to NYCC or via the website, claims for damage to vehicles will not be paid. Questions had been asked about seemingly unnecessary re-surfacing of some roads where other roads that looked worse were not touched. NYCC have a scoring system, some roads may 'appear' to be alright but actually have a high skid risk, others are generally re-surfaced on a rolling programme. The current trend of tar and chippings is supposed to last 7 to 11 years.

Mrs Garrett stated she had asked about potholes that had to be filled in every couple of weeks such as the one in Little Barugh, would those roads not be re-surfaced. The answer was no.

11. To set a date for Annual Parish Meeting and speakers.

The dates of 23rd, 24th May or the 1st June were possibilities to be confirmed. Mrs Houlston said she would contact the PCSO she had previously had contact with to come and speak on speeding issues and other rural crime issues.