

## HORTON IN RIBBLESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

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### **Minutes of the Meeting of Horton-in-Ribblesdale Parish Council held in the Sports Pavilion on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7.30pm.**

**Present** – Parish Cllrs Martin Hanson (Chair), Fiona Durham, James Hudspeth, Joan Myers, Kathryn Jackson, Lorraine Leary and North Yorkshire Councillor David Staveley.

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**019/25: Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Thomas Millman

**020/25. Code of Conduct – Localism Act 2011 To record any councillor’s disclosable pecuniary interests in relation to any item on this agenda. To consider any changes in members’ register of interests & to consider any dispensations:** None were declared.

**021/25. Minutes of Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024:** Council resolved to recommend approval of the minutes.

**022/25: Matters Arising:** The clerk explained that the planning application C/44/313 had been referred back to the applicant re the points raised by members on a site visit and in due course would come back to the Council for consideration.

**023/25: Public Participation:** A member of the public gave details of discussions with Yorkshire Dales National Park re the lack of public benches in the car park. The Chair added this item was on the agenda and consideration of Agenda Item 026/25 was brought forward. The member of the public explained a bench owned by the Parish Council was not in use and it was agreed this bench could be placed in the car park until the end of September 2024 when its future would be reviewed.

Concern was also raised about visitors not taking rubbish home creating anti-social problems and it was agreed the clerk should write to Yorkshire Dales National Park. Cllr Myers gave details of the revised bus times from 8<sup>th</sup> April for the Clitheroe to Settle route.

**024/25: North Yorkshire Council Reports:** Cllr Staveley gave details from his April report mentioning the call to register to vote for milestone election for new mayor, the annual road improvement programme, the £750k landslip repairs to Kex Gill and new tariff to maintain and improve the quality of car parks.

**025/25: Budget 2024-25:** The clerk introduced the budget for 2024-25 indicating expenditure of £22380 in 2023-4 against an income of £25166. Expenditure for 2024-25 was down to £17900 as many of the outstanding projects had been completed.

It was estimated the draft income for 2024-25 would be £24229.

The clerk confirmed any new projects would require external funding.

The clerk gave details of the increased value of assets to £34103.00 brought about by the new gates to the cemetery, rebuilding the milk stand etc as reflected in the Assets Register.

The clerk also commented on the main headings of the 2024 Financial Risk Assessment.

Both items were approved.

**026/25: Bench Moved to Car Park:** This item had been resolved under item 05/24/5.

**027/25: Projects 2024/25:** The clerk requested details of any new projects to be planned for 2024/5. After discussion it was agreed that Converting the Street Lighting to Solar Power and Developing a Framework for the Neighbourhood Plan were the major priorities for the year. The clerk was requested to explore funding options to carry out the projects.

**028/25: Potholes Helwith Bridge Carpark Update:** The Chair explained the background and the issues associated with the potholes in Helwith Bridge Car Park. Cllr Jackson confirmed she had approached Horton Quarry for the pot holes to be filled with gravel. The Chair thanked Cllr Jackson for her work with Horton Quarry.

**029/25: Planning Application:**

*a) Full planning permission for an alteration to the gable end of a traditional agricultural building to make safe and to better house livestock (retrospectively) at **Dry Beck Farm, Horton-in-Ribblesdale, BD24 0ES.*** After discussion, it was agreed a note the application.

*b) Householder planning permission for erection of small glazed porch to rear at:*

**Springer Fold, Selside BD24 0HZ:** The Council were informed that the application had been withdrawn.

**030/25: Highways, Street Lighting & Maintenance:** The clerk gave details of the disconnecting of the street light by the phone box. After discussion it was agreed:

*The street light by the car park toilet should be disconnected.*

*Details of solar street lighting recommended by Harrison and Cross should be circulated and councillors refer any comments to the clerk. The most supported light would be fitted to the car park toilet post.*

**031/25: Speed Camera:** The clerk indicated he could not find details of the fitting of the speed camera on Brackenbottom Road. The Chair gave details of the process leading up to the fitting carried out by Horton Quarry. After discussion Cllr Jackson confirmed she would mention the issue to Horton Quarry.

**032/25: Correspondence:** The clerk read out an update from the Friends of Settle Carlisle Line re the holiday let which was almost completed and the café bar which will hopefully be completed in Quarter 2 of 2024. The comments were noted.

The clerk gave details of a payment taken from the account of a former parish councillor by WIX. It was agreed the clerk could inform WIX that the Council would refer the action to the Small Claims Court unless the payment was reimbursed.

