

Littlethorpe Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Littlethorpe Village Hall

at 19:30 on Monday 15 January 2018

Present: Cllr Spoons (Chair), Cllr Winterburn, Cllr Gray, Cllr Laughner, Cllr Orme, District Cllr Galloway, and **three** members of the public.

- 1 Apologies Apologies were received from County Cllr Harrison
- 2 Declarations of interest None declared further to those on the Borough Council Website
- 3 Chairman's remarks Both items, the Bellwood Development and restoration of the railway line appear later on the agenda
- 4 Adoption of the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 13 Nov 17 was proposed by Cllr Winterburn, seconded by Cllr Gray and passed unanimously.
- 5 There was no County Councillor's report
- 6 District Cllr Report
 - .1 The Draft Local Plan will be out for final consultation from 26 Jan – 9 Mar 18. Thereafter it will be forwarded to the Secretary of State for approval early 2019. Comments will be restricted to the soundness of the proposals.
 - .2 The General Data Protection regulations come into force on 25 May 18. Cllr Orme questioned whether they would apply to a Parish Council as small as Littlethorpe. Cllr Galloway offered to investigate.
 - .3 Harrogate Borough Council tax will increase by 2.2% average: £5 for band D and below, more for A-C
 - .4 The Village Hall has not used all 5 Commuted Sums to which it has been eligible since 2010
- 7 RFO's report
 - .1 Payments made: £72 for hire of village hall, £39.17 for printer ink
 - .2 Salary and tax for Clerk await instruction for mechanism to do so **Action: the Clerk**
 - .3 Transfer of the account to HSBC will begin on receipt of the forms from HSBC **Action: Cllr Orme**
- 8 Correspondence
 - .1 Gaming Solutions Ltd wrote to confirm that they had asked all employees to drive with due consideration to the residents on Littlethorpe Lane
 - .2 Bellwood Development. The correspondence between Brig Wardle and Cllr Spoons was summarised.
 - a The Parish Council has objected to the Bellwood development on the grounds that access to the A61 Harrogate Road is not suitable, the substantial development is within the Parish, but not part of the existing settlement, and that the area of special scientific interest at Quarry Moor would be enclosed by buildings on three sides.
 - b This is the fourth application for the site since 1995, the last in 2015, turned down by Harrogate Borough Council. The current application has only one access that is onto the A61 close to the roundabout at the West end of Ripon bypass.
 - c Proposal made to write to Highways Dept.: they have acknowledged receipt of the planning application on 22 Dec 17 and will respond after consideration.

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- d Proposal made to write to Education: The primary schools anticipate 18.75 pupils from the development and have capacity to accept them. The secondary schools anticipate 9.75 pupils from the development and each will be oversubscribed by 25 and 41 pupils.

9 Planning

- .1 17/04898/REM: Reserved matters application with appearance, landscaping & layout considered under outline permission 17/03477/OUT - Outline planning application for the erection of one detached dwelling with access and scale considered. **Approved subject to conditions**

Received as information

- .2 17/05090/EIAMAJ Outline application for 150 dwellings with access considered, with associated infrastructure works and open space. Land Comprising Field At 431401 469281 Knaresborough Road Littlethorpe North Yorkshire E 431401 N 469281. Taylor Wimpey UK Limited <http://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=OZKNY8HYN2100>

Objection as at item 8.2

- .3 17/05400/REM: Reserved matters application for erection of 1 no. dwelling with Layout, Appearance and Landscaping considered under Planning Permission 17/03478/OUT - Outline planning application for the erection of one detached dwelling with access and scale considered. Aismunderby House Harrogate Road Littlethorpe Ripon North Yorkshire HG4 3AA. E 431024 N 469052 <http://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=POR9B3HYFJ200>

No objection

10 Public Time

- .1 Knaresborough Road is unsafe because of the narrowness of the road and the roadside hedges that have not been cut. Proposal made to write to North Yorkshire County Council and contact landowners with unkempt hedges. **Action: the Clerk**
- .2 A proposal has been made to demolish a bungalow on Littlethorpe Road and use it as access to build 35 new houses between Littlethorpe Road and the canal. This land is outwith the Littlethorpe Parish boundary and is liable to flooding.
- .3 Ripon quarry works are well advanced. A sluice has still to be installed to control the level of water there.
- .4 A welcome pack for new residents to Littlethorpe is being prepared at St Michael's Church. The authors have asked to include details of the Parish Council within it. Adding the contact details of the Parish Council and a link to the village website was agreed.
- .5 Littering and overnight parking on the layby of Littlethorpe Lane adjacent to the Ripon bypass was raised at the Nov 17 meeting. The site is within Ripon City Council boundaries. Ripon City Council contacted the roads department and will inspect the site. The roads department replied that there were no parking restrictions within the layby. Littering was reported on the fly tipping notification website and the litter, but not the garden waste, were removed on 12 Jan 18.

11 Reinstatement of Harrogate to Ripon railway

- .1 There has been an exchange of letters in the pages of the Ripon Gazette. Members of the public attending Ripon City Council have been excluded from Council discussions relating to the matter; so there was no new information to report.

12 Village Hall Committee

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- .1 Wi-Fi has been installed and the internet connection is working
- .2 The telephone is for emergency use only
- .3 Installation of a projector and sound system at a cost of £3500 is being considered
- .4 There is a vacancy for a cleaner for 1 h per week and grass cutting
- .5 A means of controlling lighting and heating remotely is being investigated
- .6 Next meeting is 13 Mar and the AGM is on 17 May

13 Alderman Spence Committee

- .1 A meeting postponed from December will take place on 24 Jan 18. The only other meeting scheduled in 2018 will be on 14 Mar 18

14 Ripon quarry and aftercare

- .1 Next meeting will be on 26 April 18

15 Standing orders

- .1 The draft standing orders have received no amendments. In adding a section on procurement of contracts, a cost greater than £500 should have 2 estimates and a cost greater than £1000 should have 3 estimates. Completed standing orders will be signed off at the 12 Mar 18 meeting. **Action: the Clerk**

16 Dates of next meetings

- .1 12 Mar 18
- .2 30 Apr 18 Annual Parish Meeting
- .3 14 May 18 Annual General Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting **Actions**

Cllr Spoor to invite White Rose Sailing Club and Aggregate Industries

Cllr Winterburn Judith Steele or Carol Edmonstone from the Book Club

Clerk to invite Ripon Motor Boat Club, Peter Moss for Church and users of Village Hall

The meeting closed at 21:01