

**Minutes of the Great Ayton Parish Council meeting
held on Tuesday 4th February 2020 at 19:00**

Present: - Cllr Ron Kirk, Cllr Angela Taylor, Cllr Tessa Snowdon, Cllr Sarah Botez, Cllr Nick Walther, Cllr John Fletcher, Cllr Judith Brown
Andrew Snowdon (Parish Clerk), Cllr Heather Moorhouse (NYCC)
PCSO Emma Ellington, PCSO Dawood Hussain, 2 members of the public

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| 1 | <p><u>Members of the Public invited to address the Council.</u></p> <p>A member of the public addressed the Parish Council with regards to planning application 20/00018/FUL - 5, 5A and 5B Park Square. Of specific concern to the resident was that the application would result in overdevelopment of the property which was joined to his. Not only would the proposed development block sunlight from his downstairs windows but the upper extension would look directly into his home it being built as part of the boundary wall. It was observed that no consideration appeared to have been given to the need for parking for additional residents and the extensive modifications could be seen to reduce parking that was already in-built as part of the roller fronted yard.</p> <p>Through discussion the Parish Council confirmed their objection to the application. (<u>See item 8</u>)</p> |
| 2 | <p><u>NY Police Report.</u></p> <p>There had been 5 reports of anti-social behaviour, 2 report of auto crime, 3 report of burglary (1 commercial, 2 residential), 0 reports of criminal damage, 2 reports of theft (inc shops), 4 report of violence against person, 3 other crimes (inc drugs) detailed in the NY Police report in the period 6th January to 2nd February 2020. Noted</p> <p>PCSO Ellington confirmed that though anti-social behaviour had seen an increase, the incidents were confined to a couple of locations. NY Police confirmed that members of the public can report suspicious activity anonymously via the Crime-Stoppers number 0800 555 111. Noted</p> <p>It was confirmed that Gangline volunteers visit local Schools to speak to teenagers about gang issues such as county lines. NY Police encourage focus on prevention as part of their work with the Fireplace Youth Club for youngsters. Noted</p> <p>The February NY Police report requested that consideration be given to supporting CCTV due to the rising incidence of anti-social behaviour. Through discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should write to HDC to ask if their mobile cameras can be utilised. Cllrs acknowledged that there are already a number of premises with CCTV cameras that could be utilised by NY Police. It was agreed that the purchase of CCTV equipment by the Parish Council was not necessary at this time. Agreed</p> |
| 3 | <p><u>NYCC Councillor Report.</u></p> <p>Cllr Heather Moorhouse advised;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That the job advert had been placed for the crossing patrol for Marwood School on Guisborough Road A173. Noted - The request for a speed restriction to be placed on Station Road has resulted in NYCC Highways monitoring traffic activity by way of justification. Noted - Full resurfacing of Station Road & its footpath was unlikely to take place due to funding issues, but repairs & top dressing of the footpath were planned. Noted |

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| | <p><u>Apologies for Absence.</u></p> <p>Cllr Richard Hudson (HDC)</p> |
| 5 | <p><u>Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda.</u></p> <p>Cllr Angela Taylor declared a non-pecuniary interest in the planning matter of 5, 5a, 5b Park Square due to a family connection. Noted</p> |
| 6 | <p><u>Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council.</u></p> <p>The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 7th January 2020 were approved and signed. Agreed.</p> |
| 7 | <p><u>To Consider Planning & Licensing Applications Received.</u></p> <p>Following discussion, it was agreed that formal response to planning applications should be as follows;</p> <p>19/02709/CAT - Great Ayton Tennis Club, Mill Terrace Works to trees in a conservation area. No objections / Work to be carried out with sensitivity to wildlife habitats.</p> <p>20/00009/TPO - 3 Old Mill Wynd, Great Ayton Delegated Decision - Application for works to trees - (T1) removal of double stem of Alder, (T2) removal of rear stem of Ash, (T3) remove 1st three branches to shape crown of Willow tree, (T4) crown clean and reduce small Hawthorne by 20% and (T5) removal of holly all subject to group Tree Preservation Order No: 1998/01. No objection / Work to be carried out in strict accordance with arboreal report.</p> <p>20/00052/TPO - 100 Guisborough Road, Great Ayton Delegated decision - Application for works to a tree subject to a Tree Preservation Order 2019/09. No objection / Work to be carried out in accordance with arboreal report.</p> <p>19/02673/LBC - 39 Bridge Street, Great Ayton Delegated decision - Listed building application for the installation of timber sliding sash windows. No objection / No observations</p> <p>19/02711/FUL - Royal Doulton Stables, Tunstall Lane, Nunthorpe Delegated decision - Siting of a static caravan for a temporary period of two years for use as permanent accommodation. Great Ayton Parish Council objects to application 19/02711/FUL;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The siting of a static caravan is not in keeping with the rural setting of the North Yorkshire countryside. - There is no business case for residential accommodation to be sited at this location. <p>19/02730/FUL - 69 Wheatlands, Great Ayton Delegated decision - Proposed two storey infill extension to rear of house. Proposed Orangery roof over existing single storey building to rear of house. No objection / No observations</p> <p>20/00018/FUL - 5, 5A and 5B Park Square, Great Ayton Delegated decision - Change of use of tearoom/food prep area into two dwellings and extension to existing first floor flat. Great Ayton Parish Council objects to application 20/00018/FUL and requests that the decision be referred to the HDC planning committee;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The application constitutes an overdevelopment of the area in which the row of terraced properties are located. - The proposed design increases the numbers of potential residents yet fails to increase the parking opportunities in an already over-crowded road. - The proposed design removes two off-street parking spaces which already exist in the roller fronted courtyard which acts as a vehicular garage/car port. |

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| | <p>19/02275/TPO - 1 Pendle House, School Lane, Great Ayton Works to trees Subject to a tree preservation order 2007/13 No objection / Work to be carried out in strict accordance with arboreal report.</p> <p>20/00124/FUL - 92 Marwood Drive, Great Ayton Delegated decision - First Floor extension and two storey extension to rear No objection / No observations</p> <p>20/00114/FUL - Cleveland Lodge, Great Ayton Delegated decision - Construction of 2no semi-detached bungalows and 1no detached bungalow with associated garden space and car parking No objection / No observations</p> |
| 8 | <p><u>Correspondence and Information:</u></p> <p>Churches Together in Great Ayton - General enquiry whether the Parish Council have any VE day celebration ideas/plans that they & others can join in with? It was decided that the Parish Council will not be organising any specific event to celebrate the 75th anniversary of WW2 in Europe and instead would look to encourage others to celebrate by decorating the shop fronts and the like. The Parish Council is aware that local organisations such as the Cons Club have events planned and it is assumed that the local clergy will organise VE day services too. Noted</p> <p>Knit & Natter Group - Cllr Snowdon confirmed that a request for financial donation to purchase wool & material for village decorations had been received. The Parish Council confirmed their thanks for the wonderful work of the Knit & Natter group but did not consider that a donation of public monies towards a specific interest group was appropriate. Cllr Taylor suggested that the group might consider asking the Discovery Centre to ask for wool/material donations. Noted</p> <p>Resident - Request for action to organise cleaning of bus shelter (NYCC responsibility). It was agreed that the Clerk should write to NYCC to ask that the bus shelter be cleaned. Agreed</p> <p>NY Police – Request for support to acquire CCTV due to increased reports of anti-social behaviour. See Item 2</p> |
| 9 | <p><u>Council Services / Working Group Reports</u></p> <p><i>NB: Actions towards improvement & day-to-day works carried out from within agreed budgets are dealt with by Parish Council Working Groups whereby all expenditure is made in accordance published regulations. Previously agreed or outstanding matters can be found in the Council Services report. Formal actions or decisions requiring the Parish Council's attention appear below.</i></p> <p>Cemetery: - A meeting of the Cemetery Working Group took place on 14/01/20 and the report identified several areas for improvement. It was suggested that the gardens of remembrance for residents and non-residents be combined and hence changes to the regulations would be presented for approval. Noted</p> <p>Allotments: - Cllr Walther confirmed that the new gates to the allotments were now in place. Noted</p> <p>Village Hall: Cllr Fletcher advised that water damage was occurring to the wooden floor which would require remedial attention. The 'Great Ayton Village Hall' CIO as tenants will investigate the leak and consider treatment of the wooden floor. Noted</p> <p>Whitbread / Waterfall Park Memorial Bridge: - HDC Planning, NYCC Highways and the EA permits are all in place and hence the main order for the bridge will be placed once the grant funding has been established via HDC / Impetus. Ongoing (B/F)</p> <p>Grounds Maintenance Supervisor: - The vacant position is now open for applications. Noted</p> |

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| 10 | <p><u>Councillor's Reports</u></p> <p>Endeavour Way: - No further update. Noted</p> <p>Brighten Up Great Ayton: - Cllr Taylor confirmed that the course for grafting and growing apple trees had been well attended. Noted</p> <p>Environmental improvements: - A meeting of the Stokesley and Villages Climate Action Group was due to take place on 18/02. https://climateactionstokesleyandvillages.org/. Noted</p> <p>Great British Spring Clean: - As in 2019 it was intended that Cllr Taylor would be seeking volunteers to participate in the Great British Spring Clean on Sat 21st March and/or Sunday 5th April. Noted</p> <p>Marwood School (Cllr Botez): - See Item 3. Noted</p> <p>Multi-user routes in Great Ayton: - See Item 3. Noted</p> <p>Gribdale Gate: - Cllr Kirk confirmed that the HDC offer of support with bin emptying was dependant on a locked bin being placed at Gribdale Terrace. Though as yet no solution had been found to get the dog waste bags and other rubbish from Gribdale Gate to Gribdale Terrace, it was agreed that Parish Council make a funding application to NYMNP for the purchase of the bin & locked storage. Agreed</p> <p>Parish Council Website: - The order for the website has been placed and work is progressing with the supplier, but no further input is required by the PC at this time. Noted</p> |
| 11 | <p><u>Clerk's Report</u></p> <p>Jet-Air Drain Care: - A price of £1,495.00+vat has been received for root cutting & inspection of the Cemetery SW drains from reserves with the cost of further remedial work to follow due to root ingress / damage of cemetery drains. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask Jet-Aire to proceed with the works as quoted. Agreed</p> <p>Annual Parish Meeting: - By law the Annual Parish Meeting is required to take place between 1st March and the 1st June each year. A decision regarding the meeting date would be moved to the March PC meeting. Noted</p> |
| 12 | <p><u>Accounts Report</u></p> <p>The total payments made were £15,001.48 The total income received was £2,752.50</p> <p>The annual budget set at the 7th January Parish Council meeting was approved and signed as agreed.</p> |
| 13 | <p><u>Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman, should, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.</u></p> <p>Cllr Kirk advised the Parish Council that he had become aware that the 81-bus service between Guisborough and Stokesley was to be withdrawn by Arriva. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Arriva & NYCC to express the Parish Council's concern that elderly and vulnerable people might become isolated and request that the decision be reviewed. Agreed</p> |
| 14 | <p><u>Exclusion of the Press and Public</u></p> <p>In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Parish Council RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting.</p> |