

**Minutes of the Great Ayton Parish Council meeting
held on Tuesday 3rd March 2020 at 19:00**

Present: - Cllr Ron Kirk, Cllr Angela Taylor, Cllr Sarah Botez, Cllr John Fletcher, Cllr Judith Brown
Andrew Snowdon (Parish Clerk)

5 members of the public

No.	Business
1	<p><u>Members of the Public invited to address the Council.</u></p> <p><u>Quarry Stone</u> The Licensee of the Quarry Stone expressed concern that complaints were being received due to noise. Cllr Kirk confirmed that the Hambleton District Council's Environmental department were responsible for noise related matters and no formal complaint had been made by the Parish Council. The Licensee confirmed that they were aware of complaints to HDC by residents and that a visit was due, in the meantime they intended to install double glazing to the side window nearest to residential properties. Noted</p> <p><u>Bugs Trail</u> Caryn Loftus (Moor Sustainable CIC) showed an example of an insect 'rubbing' plate to be installed on oak posts around the village as part of the Bugs Trail. It was confirmed that Caryn & Cllr Taylor should liaise to establish suitable locations for those posts that are to be installed on Parish Council land. Noted</p> <p><u>Fletchers Farm Fest</u> The proprietors of Fletchers Farm gave a detailed insight into their plans to hold a music festival on their farm in July 2020. Their event was being organised by a music promoter and circa 25 bands were expected to play. Safety & Security has been discussed with Hambleton District Council and a safety management plan had been drawn up accordingly. The Police, Ambulance Service and HDC Licensing had formed a group for consultation purposes. Professional security, catering, bars, on-site camping and managed traffic flow were intended to keep disruption to the village centre to a minimum. The variation to Licence Application which the Parish Council were due to review would be for one weekend per year only. Parish Councillors thanked Stuart & Mark Fletcher for giving details of their event and it was agreed that the matter should be discussed as part of the Annual Parish Meeting in order to give residents an opportunity to seek further clarification should they wish to do so. Agreed</p>
2	<p><u>NY Police Report.</u></p> <p>There had been 6 reports of anti-social behaviour, 3 report of auto crime, 0 reports of burglary, 1 report of criminal damage, 0 reports of theft (inc shops), 5 reports of violence against person, 3 other crimes (inc drugs) detailed in the NY Police report in the period 2nd to 29th February 2020. Noted</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to write to NY Police to ask that a more detailed report be made available on those occasions when officers were not able to attend the meeting. Agreed</p>
3	<p><u>NYCC Councillor Report.</u></p> <p>No further updates</p>

	<p><u>HDC Councillor Report.</u></p> <p>Cllr Kirk gave an update in relation to the 'Pondarosa' grassed area on the B1292. The appeal to the Secretary of State for the retrospective permission for the soil bund had been rejected. It had been established that NYCC continued to own the section of tarmac road into the site this being the former highway. HDC enforcement had issued notice to clear the site 3 weeks prior but at the time of the meeting no action had been taken by the owner.</p> <p>Noted</p>
	<p><u>Apologies for Absence.</u></p> <p>Cllr Nick Walther, Cllr Tessa Snowdon, Cllr Heather Moorhouse (NYCC), Cllr Richard Hudson (HDC)</p>
5	<p><u>Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda.</u></p> <p>None</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 4th February 2020 were approved and signed. Agreed.</p>
7	<p><u>To Consider Planning & Licensing Applications Received.</u></p> <p><u>PLANNING</u></p> <p>Following discussion, it was agreed that formal response to planning applications should be as follows;</p> <p>20/00326/CAT - 8 Hollygarth Close Works to trees in a conservation area. No objection / Work to be carried out in accordance with arboreal report.</p> <p>20/00259/FUL - 140 Roseberry Crescent Delegated Decision - Alterations and two storey extension to the rear of the existing house together with additional car parking at the front. No objection, though concerns were expressed at the loss of natural drainage and hence GAPC request that a 'loose' surface be specified for parking.</p> <p>20/00235/FUL - 21 High Green Change of use from residential first floor flat to office accommodation. No objection / No observation.</p> <p>NYM/2020/0088/LB - 2 Dikes Lane Application for listed building consent for replacement of clay tiles to single storey extension. Support for application NYM/2020/0088/LB which will enhance the appearance of the property in keeping with the area.</p> <p><u>LICENSING</u></p> <p>Following discussion, it was agreed that formal response to licensing applications should be as follows;</p> <p>05_CLUB_1025 - Great Ayton Workingmen's Club Application for variation of a club premises certificate to allow alcohol in 2 adjacent outdoor areas. Great Ayton Parish Council objects to the variation to club premises certificate application for the consumption of alcohol on the outside area along Cleveland Street, Great Ayton. This is relatively small grassed area next to a narrow footpath on a narrow residential street and as such it is likely that a public nuisance will be caused which has the potential to exacerbate issues with anti-social behaviour.</p>

8	<p><u>Correspondence and Information:</u></p> <p>Resident - A request has been made for the supply of a memorial bench to be placed at a suitable location. It was noted that there were no obvious locations for new benches though plaques could be placed on benches currently without memorials.</p> <p>Resident - A request has been made for the supply of a memorial plaque to be placed on the hexagonal bench on the Low Green. It was agreed that the plaque could be affixed but the cost of the donation should include 1/6th of the original price of the bench which was purchased some years earlier.</p> <p>Maximus UK- Request for work opportunities for supervised offenders or those on probation working in the community as part of court order or suspended sentence orders. It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to confirm agreement in principle to utilise supervised offenders or those on probation for service activity in the village.</p> <p>Teesside Hospice - Request to talk to Parish Council with regards to local collecting opportunities in particular "Great Ayton Open Gardens". The Parish Council has no objections to Teesside Hospice organising a charity event in the village.</p> <p>Stokesley and Great Ayton FairTrade Steering Group - A request for support to endorse Great Ayton to become a Fair Trade town & invitation to the local action group meeting at the Royal Oak at 4pm on Friday 6th March. The Parish Council confirms its continued endorsement of the FairTrade steering group's activities though involvement by individual councillors is not possible due to other commitments.</p> <p>GAPC / NYCC / Arriva / MP - The Parish Council has had written communications with NYCC, Arriva & Local MP by way of expressing serious concerns at the potential loss of the Stokesley – Great Ayton – Guisborough 81 Arriva bus. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Mayor Ben Houchen to ask for support to reinstate the 81 bus.</p> <p>Volunteer Group – A local volunteer group has asked to borrow the Parish Council owned gazebo/marquee. It was agreed that a donation of £50 would be suitable to allow for any wear & tear repairs to be made.</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 with 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>Green Works: - It was agreed that G Frankish Grounds Maintenance should be asked to provide grass cutting and other services on an ad-hoc basis for 2020/21. Agreed</p> <p>Allotments: - As part of improved housekeeping at the allotments a large amount of waste needs to be removed in skips. It was agreed that £1200 should be added to the Allotments budget to cover for this and that the Clerk should proceed to organise waste removal. Agreed</p> <p>Allotments: - Having agreed in principle to engaging a marksman to shoot vermin on the allotments with an air rifle, the Clerk was asked to request an appropriate risk assessment & enquire with the Parish Council's insurance company to establish compliance. Agreed</p> <p>Website: - It was agreed that the new domain "greatayton.gov.uk" should be sought for the new Parish Council website. Agreed</p> <p>Play Park: - Having received a quotation for repair works to play equipment as described in the RoSPA report of 2019, it was agreed that an order for £1650 (inc VAT) should be placed with Thompson Timberworks in accordance with quote SQ-195. Agreed</p> <p>Village Green: - The Clerk was asked to organise the trenching & cabling of the Village Green to allow the installation of an additional events / feeder pillar as agreed previously. Noted</p>

10	<p><u>Councillor's Reports</u></p> <p>Marwood School: - Cllr Botez confirmed that a new Crossing Patrol person had now been recruited. Noted</p> <p>Multi-user routes in Great Ayton: - Caryn Loftus confirmed that a funding application for the Multiuser route along Station Road which was with Northern Rail was now on hold due to the franchise issues. NYCC have been carrying out a traffic survey with a view to implementing a 40mph (maximum) speed limit to the Station. Noted</p> <p>Gribdale Gate: - The Clerk was asked to seek a quote for 2 X bins and lockable storage for Gribdale Gate & Gribdale Terrace to enable HDC to collect dog waste irrespective of weather conditions. It had been previously agreed that a NYMNP funding application should be made accordingly. Agreed</p> <p>Easby Lane: - The Clerk was asked to write to NYCC to express concerns about the poor standard of pot-hole repair on Easby Lane. In 2018 David Bowe (NYCC) had written to GAPC to confirm that road resurfacing was due to take place in 2020/21 and hence the Clerk was asked to remind NYCC of this commitment. Agreed</p>
11	<p><u>Clerk's Report</u></p> <p>Grounds Maintenance Supervisor: - Having received over 130 applications for the vacant position of GM Supervisor the Clerk was asked to pre-filter the applicants and forward CV's for review by the Interview Panel for those candidates who live within a 25 mile radius of the parish and who have applicable work history, volunteer experience, hobbies and/or qualifications. Agreed</p> <p>Annual Parish Meeting: - It was agreed that the APM should take place in the Discovery Centre at 6pm on 25/03. Agreed</p> <p>Working Groups: - It was agreed that Working Group reports could be added to the Parish Council website for information. Agreed</p> <p>Moor Sustainable CIC: - It was agreed that a donation of £2500 should be made to Moor Sustainable CIC to cover 5 years of IT servicing of "The story of Great Ayton through the eyes of pollinators" app and web related costs under S137 Power and in line with the decision taken at the June 2019 meeting. Agreed</p> <p>Arriva 81 bus: - It was agreed that the DfT funding application should be made to request that the 81 bus be reinstated. The Clerk was asked to ensure that the application was broadly in line with that made by Stokesley TC to maintain a consistent approach. Agreed</p>
12	<p><u>Accounts Report</u></p> <p>The total payments made were £7,192.45 The total income received was £345.73</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>
14	<p><u>Exclusion of the Press and Public</u> 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>