

**Minutes of the Great Ayton Parish Council meeting  
held on Tuesday 13th July 2021 at 19:00**

**Present:** - Cllr John Fletcher, Cllr Angela Taylor, Cllr Tessa Snowdon, Cllr Daniel Matuszak

Cllr Richard Hudson (HDC), Cllr Heather Moorhouse (NYCC), Andrew Snowdon (Clerk)

No members of the public were present.

No.	Business
1	<p><b><u>NY Police Report.</u></b></p> <p>There had been 15 reports of anti-social behaviour (9 personal, 6 nuisance including 2 X noise related, 2 X groups of youths gathering, 1 X door-to-door salesman), 1 reports of burglary, 1 vehicle theft, 2 reports of criminal damage, 3 reports of violence against person, 1 Fraud &amp; 1 Drugs.</p>
2	<p><b><u>NYCC Councillor Report.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Heather Moorhouse confirmed that circa £2k would be made available to carry out tarmac repairs/surfacing to the footpath on north end of Newton Road alongside the A173.</p> <p>Cllr Moorhouse and the NYCC Rights of Way officer are looking to engage with the Roseberry residents to find a sensible way forward in terms of removing the obstruction from the PROW path. It is hoped that a meeting with the responsible resident &amp; others can take place to discuss options.</p> <p><b><u>Hambleton Councillor Report.</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Richard Hudson confirmed that the Strawberry Fields planning application for the permanent siting of a marquee could be considered by the HDC planning committee if the parish council had cause for concern. The notice period for the 'Ponderosa' site to take remedial action had now lapsed and HDC enforcement were therefore due to visit.</p> <p>Cllr Hudson advised that the boundary commission was looking at re-organising some constituencies and the consultation remained ongoing. Some concern was expressed that there had been discussions regarding the moving of Great Ayton into the Thirsk constituency, and it was suggested that the parish council might make representations against this.</p>
3	<p><b><u>Apologies</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Ron Kirk, Cllr John Robinson, Cllr Judith Brown</p>
4	<p><b><u>Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda.</u></b></p> <p>None declared</p>
5	<p><b><u>Minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council.</u></b></p> <p>The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 were approved. <b>Agreed.</b></p> <p>The minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 were approved. <b>Agreed.</b></p>

**6 To Consider Planning & Licensing Applications Received.**

Following discussion, it was agreed that formal response to planning applications should be as follows;

**21/01460/FUL - 10 Easby Lane Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6JS**

Proposed first floor extensions. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/00841/FUL - La Bella Pizzeria 1 The Arcade High Street Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6BW**

Alterations to the door and windows to the property. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01365/FUL - The Wheelhouse Langbaugh Grange Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6QQ**

Single storey rear oak framed Orangery extension with adjacent relocated rear door and new Porch and Single storey oak framed garage. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01432/FUL - Meadowcroft Station Road Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6HB**

Demolition of existing conservatory, construction of Single Storey extension to rear elevation with roof terrace above (to master bedroom), alterations to create Juliet balconies to rear elevation, installation of electric access gates at site entrance to replace existing iron gates. As amended 24 June 2021. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01507/FUL - 14 Langbaugh Close Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6QH**

Retrospective application for the replacement of existing fences with new timber fences. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01497/FUL - 2 Wheatlands Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6ED**

Single storey rear extension. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01381/FUL - Angrove West Cottage Angrove West Farm Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6QA**

Proposed Alterations and Extension to Existing Dwelling. [No documents were available for download via the planning portal at the meeting of 13/07/21 and therefore it has not been possible to comment on this application.](#)

**21/01466/FUL - 29 Marwood Drive Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6PB**

Single storey rear infill extension. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01392/FUL - 37 Easby Lane Great Ayton North Yorkshire TS9 6JX**

Single storey side/rear extension, alterations to windows & stonework & render to facades. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01358/FUL - Akbar's Darbar 66 Newton Road Great Ayton**

Retrospective application for the installation of an extraction unit. [No objection / No observation](#)

**21/01554/FUL - East Angrove Farm Great Ayton North Yorkshire**

Change of use of part existing bed & breakfast accommodation to provide additional floorspace to support the sites current wedding venue. [Great Ayton Parish Council expresses concern as follows;](#)

- [The size of the premises does not lend itself to the increasing capacity for attendees.](#)
- [The narrow splay onto the A173 does not lend itself to increased vehicular access/egress.](#)
- [The development of this property as a large wedding venue is not in keeping with the rural nature of the setting.](#)
- [It has been noted that parish councillors have received some resident complaints in relation to revelry late into the evening.](#)

**21/01550/FUL - 5 Easby Lane Great Ayton North Yorkshire**

New single storey sunroom on rear elevation to include sitting accommodation and an area for hot tub, the latter separated by an internal wall. [No objection / No observation](#)

7 **Correspondence and Information:**

**Great Ayton Bowls Club:** Permission sought by Bowls Club to place a banner on the High Green on 24th July to advertise their 25th year anniversary event on 31st July. **It was agreed that the Bowls Club should be allowed to promote their event on the High Green. Agreed**

**Resident:** Request for help to ascertain the responsible authority to remove ivy from 2 Station Road which is growing from within the car park. **The parish council's service team has killed the ivy to prevent further growth. Noted**

**D&S Reporter:** Request for comment regarding the EA & NWL rejection of responsibility for repairs to the damage weir. **It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the D&S with a summary of the damage, the actions taken, rejections of help & concerns for public safety. Agreed**

**Little Movers Middlesbrough and Redcar:** Request to hold exercise classes on the Low Green as part of a commercial activity by a non-resident business. **The request to hold commercial exercise classes on the village greens was not approved. Noted**

**Walk and Talk Trust UK:** Request to erect kiosk on High Green on 20/08/21 as part of an organised walk. **It was agreed that this not-for-profit event could utilise the High Green. Agreed**

**Former Resident:** Offer of Xmas tree for High Green on condition of removal from property in Seamer. **The Clerk was asked to write by way of thanks for the kind offer of the Xmas tree but that it would not be required. Noted**

8 **Council Services / Working Group Reports**

**Cemetery Drains:** It was understood that root ingress into the cemetery drains had not been fully cleared though it was believed that water was now able to flow. It was agreed that further works to clear the root ingress would be deferred for the time-being with a view to investigating other potential solutions in due course. **Agreed**

**Whitbread Bridge:** Beaver Bridges has confirmed their willingness to return to site to lower the bridge by circa 200mm at both ends on a FOC basis. It was understood that the paving / tarmac works beyond the bridge remained the responsibility of GAPC and hence it was agreed that BB should be asked to carry out the remedial works on an ASAP basis taking into account their other commitments. **Agreed**  
Cllr Fletcher confirmed that the bridge splays will have laser cut images supplied on a FOC basis by SM Thompson Ltd, an interpretation board will be installed within the park area and the memorial plaque will be replaced as part of the project. **Noted**

**Public Conveniences:** The meeting with SPA Architects had been delayed due to Covid isolations therefore the Buildings WG would provide a further update at the August meeting. **Noted**

**Waterfall Park:** As part of the ongoing village improvements, it was noted that Lee & Paul had done a large amount of work to restore Waterfall Park. Whilst working in the area it had become apparent that the water beneath the waterfall was circa 5 feet deep in places and hence the Clerk was asked to write to the EA to ask for warning signs to be erected. There is a willow tree on the far bank which is splitting. **Noted**

**Children's Play Park:** It was agreed that Thompson Timberworks quote of £1,140.00 to repair matting in toddler area should be accepted. **Agreed**

The Play Park WG expressed concerns that the dragon swing had become damaged beyond repair and recommendations would be made for replacement. It was understood that the play park budget was for repair/maintenance activities and that purchase of new equipment would need to be approved from reserves. **Noted**

	<p><b>Riverside Floodfield:</b> Cllr Taylor, Cllr Brown and Cllr Fletcher had visited Newby Meadows and were hoping to achieve a similar outcome with the floodfield meadow, hence it has been recommended that the field be cut and cleared ASAP. It was recognised that the grounds maintenance team would ordinarily cut the field and leave the clippings, hence the Clerk was asked to enquire with A Petch to establish price/availability for cut &amp; removal. <b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>'Bowls Club' Bridge:</b> The Wimpey owned bridge near to the Bowls Club is in need of repair. Having received an estimate of £600 for the supply of replacement timbers from Duncombe Sawmill it was agreed that the whole deck should be replaced by GAPCs service team with the timbers being purchased from the Open Spaces budget. <b>Agreed</b></p> <p>It was agreed that the drainage works to the path between the bridge and the GAPC owned Riverside Floodfield should be put on hold for the time-being. <b>Agreed</b></p> <p><b>Benches:</b> The Open Spaces Working Group confirmed that they would inspect the various benches throughout the parish and make a recommendation for replacement. <b>Noted</b></p>
9	<p><b><u>Councillors Actions &amp; Reports</u></b></p> <p><b>BUGs:</b> Cllr Taylor asked if the BUGs volunteers could relocate the various planted tubs to different locations including outside the cemetery gates where it would be easier to water/maintain. It was agreed that as the parish council's nominated volunteer group for planting improvements that it was up to Cllr Taylor and the BUGs team to decide where to place the planters. Monies for plants and materials are to be funded from the Open Spaces WG budget. <b>Agreed</b></p> <p><b>Speedwatch:</b> Cllr Matuszak confirmed that residents had started to log their complaints/concerns regarding the A173 on the NY Speedwatch website. At this stage more complaints were required to allow Great Ayton to participate in the scheme properly which would then allow the use of hand-held speed monitoring equipment. <b>Noted</b></p> <p><b>Discover Hambleton:</b> Cllr Fletcher confirmed that the Hambleton District Council visit to a variety of local business had been very positive and those business involved had expressed a desire to participate with the scheme. <a href="https://www.hambleton.gov.uk/news/article/159/why-not-discoverhambleton-">https://www.hambleton.gov.uk/news/article/159/why-not-discoverhambleton-</a> <b>Noted</b></p>
10	<p><b><u>Clerk's Report</u></b></p> <p><b>Community Governance Review:</b> Cllr Fletcher was asked to write a recommendation to describe the potential advantages and/or disadvantages of expanding the size of membership as part of Great Ayton's parish council team. The Clerk was asked to circulate the NALC/YLCA Advice Note (14) which describes the recommended size of council based on the size of the local electorate. <b>Agreed</b></p> <p><b>Public WC's:</b> It was agreed that the parish council's solicitor should be asked to undertake to correct the land registry entry following the acceptance of the 'deed of surrender' for the remainder of the lease with the CJCM garden. <b>Agreed</b></p> <p><b>Great Ayton Cricket &amp; Football Club:</b> The Clerk was asked to write to the YLCA to seek advice regarding the uncertainty which exists with the 'holding over' position for the Wimpey owned land which had been leased between 2000-2017. <b>Agreed</b></p> <p><b>New Memorial Bridge:</b> It was agreed that though the bridge was not yet in its final position the Invoice for the purchase of the structure should be paid without delay as part of the monthly accounts transactions. The invoice for installation would therefore become due upon completion of the bridge lowering process. <b>Agreed</b></p>

	<p><b>Annual CIL report:</b> In previous years the parish council has received CIL monies from HDC as part of major construction works in the parish. It is incumbent on the parish council to spend the monies within 5 years of receipt otherwise the funds can be reclaimed by HDC. As part of this process a report is to be made to HDC to advise of the intention for these funds and it was agreed that in the first instance the (circa) £11.2k which was received in 2019/20 should be reported as having been allocated to the WC's improvement project. <b>Agreed</b></p> <p><b>Parish Council Employees:</b> It was agreed that a group of Councillors should be appointed to carry out performance review of the parish council's employees who have not received appraisals or other formal feedback in the past. The Personnel review group would be appointed at the August meeting when more Cllrs could be in attendance. <b>Agreed</b></p>
11	<p><b><u>Accounts Report</u></b></p> <p>Requests for payment received in the period were reviewed and approved accordingly.</p> <p>The total payments made were £33,201.71 The total income received was £938.00</p> <p><b>Zoom:</b> It was agreed to cancel the Zoom account that was no longer needed for remote meetings. <b>Agreed</b></p>
12	<p><b><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></b></p>
13	<p><b><u>Exclusion of the Press and Public</u></b> In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Parish Council <b>RESOLVED</b> that the press and public be excluded from the meeting.</p>