# Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

## held on Tuesday 29th December 1998 at 7.00 pm

### Present

Councillors L Groves, Chairman, P Bell, Mrs J Imeson, Mrs M Stevens, J Fletcher, B Winn and R Kirk. Mrs J Essex also attended.

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## Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1st December 1998 were approved and signed.

### **Police Business**

A letter received from the Police following a Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators meeting was read to the meeting. Poor lighting on the High Street in the area of the Chapel Steps had been discussed. The Police reported that there had been 11 incidents of auto-crime in the past year, with the Chapel Steps being one of the hot spots. The suggestion that youngsters had been congregating in the Captain Cook Garden was discounted after examination of the area.

Damage to the fence at the top of the Chapel Steps was brought to the meeting's attention.

The Police were commended for the splendid way they escorted the Father Christmas float.

## **Domesday Book**

Councillor Kirk had produced proposed Heads of Agreement which were approved by the Parish Council and accepted by Mrs Essex. It was agreed that there should be a press release. Mrs Essex was grateful for the Council's backing and will make regular progress reports.

## Matters arising

Ayton School development/lease for sports field Minute continued.

<u>Safety inspection, play area</u> A letter from Playdale indicated that the missing decking bolts for the roundabout were now to hand and would be fitted forthwith. The "fair" condition of the tiles is an acceptable phrase used by inspectors meaning that the surface meets safety requirements.

<u>Trees, corner Addison Road/Romany Road, and Roseberry Cres/Ave</u> The Clerk is to contact Highways to see if any progress has been made with the granting of a licence.

Lights, Chapel Steps Minute continued.

Tree guards, Rotary Minute continued.

Whitbread Bridge Minute continued

<u>White lines, Low Green</u> The Clerk is to remind Highways that the work has not yet been carried out. Twinning signs Minute continued

Flagpole outside Library Minute continued.

Neighbourhood Watch signs Minute continued

Beech hedge, Leven Court The Clerk is to notify Highways that the work has not yet been carried out. Internet/computers, Teesside University Hutton Rudby Parish Council had had a presentation by Mr Loader. Funding is available to install and set up computers. The Clerk is to contact North Yorkshire County Council to enquire if they have any plans to install computers in the community.

Uneven pavement, Low Green Highways will repair when funds and time allow.

Noticeboards, Village Hall and Park Square HDC have granted a new board to replace that outside the Village Hall. The Clerk is to contact Mr Barker re. board in Park Square.

Maps and signs, station Minute continued.

<u>Victorian urinal</u> The Parish Council was disappointed that the contractors had not waited for instruction before painting the urinal. There was disagreement as to whether Victorian red or green was preferable. It was agreed that the Councillors would inspect it and discuss further at the next meeting.

<u>Seaton Sands - aerial advertising</u> The company is interested in advertising large annual events only. <u>Street lighting, High Street</u> It was hoped that the repair service would be improved now that the contractor had changed. Faults are to be reported to the Clerk who will then report to HDC. Lights are out on Newton Road and at the bottom of Oaklands. It was reported that HDC would not be making any lighting improvements in the immediate future. The Clerk is to write to Mr McGloin and ask that the High Street be considered a priority when work is resumed. It was reported that there were criminal repercussions as a result of poor lighting.

<u>Yatton House trainee</u> The insurance position is satisfactory and Yatton House and B Helm have been informed.

<u>Verge land, Guisborough Road</u> A resident, speaking on behalf of residents who live next to the area in question, said that they would prefer to have it left as it is. Highways are to be informed.

<u>Christmas - carol singing and float</u> The carol singing had been much enjoyed and the collection had raised £319.47 for the Health Centre Development Fund.

The Father Christmas float was also successful and the fact that there was no trouble was due to the police escort. The collection of £90.57 is to be used to defray expenses with any balance being donated to Children in Distress. The trailer built by Peter Greenwell was magnificent and the Parish Council recognised that it must have been costly. It was agreed that he should not be out of pocket and a letter to that effect is to be sent to him. It was felt that the timing of the float was not ideal and it was suggested that next year the Sunday afternoon before Christmas should be tried.

It was noted that the Christmas tree looked very nice.

#### Accounts

E C Jarred Ltd	21.20
Bayford & Co (direct debit)	34.88 W B Helm 715.97 M L
Holden	267.84
Inland Revenue	359.33 E Harrison 72.00 The
Royal Oak	15.79 Health Centre Development Fund
	320.00 A1 Unique 30.00 M L
Holden	31.79 Worthy Pearson 38.90

## Correspondence

Hambleton Citizens Advice Bureau - request for donation, annual report. Request refused.

HDC - request for information on empty properties. Information to be channelled through the Clerk.

York and N. Yorkshire Safer Communities Consortium - newsletter

NYMNPA - agenda 14.12.98 for information

Midland Bank PLC - notification of change of identity

HDC - Christmas tree chipping scheme, leaflets

NYMNPA - prospective parish members briefing 27.2.99. The Clerk is to contact Mrs McGee from Chopgate to offer the support of the Parish Council for her nomination.

Charles Lawrence Surfaces Ltd - request for information re play equipment installations

NYCC - Pension Fund Advisory Forum - minutes of meeting 23.11.98

North Yorkshire Police - Christmas card

Bayford Thrust - catalogue for loyalty points

NYMNPA - Planning Committee agenda for information

HDC - Periodic Electoral Review - consultation document. The Parish Council agrees with the figures produced but would like to think that Kildale and Easby had been consulted.

HDC - Street naming and numbering - Ayton School, and Sunnyfield. Ayton School addresses confirmed. Sunnyfield - the Parish Council agreed with the suggestion that the new road be numbered as a continuation of Marwood Drive but rejected the proposal to number the

houses on Easby Lane 10a to 10e. They suggested that they be numbered 5 - 9 Sunnyfield Nurseries. Northumbrian Water - advice for winter

NYMNPA - Parish involvement in Public Rights of Way survey. Councillors Winn and Fletcher volunteered to help with the survey.

- New definitive map of Rights of Way - the Clerk is to request a copy for reference.

NYCC - Improving rural bus services - request for comments. Users of buses should point out shortfalls and channel comments to the Clerk.

#### HDC - Local Government and Rating Act 1997 - Transport powers

HDC - Millennium events - event notification form

# Planning

The following applications were received:-

Revised application for the formation of vehicular and pedestrian access routes and provision of gates

Alterations and extensions to existing domestic outbuildings to provide additional living accommodation with double garage - 7 Low Green. No representations.

Extension to existing hairdressing salon - 3a Park Rise. No representations. Councillors Bell and Kirk declared a non-pecuniary interest. The Clerk was instructed to notify neighbours of the application. Construction of a telecommunications tower and 2 associated equipment cabins - Langbaurgh Hall. No representations. The Parish Council declared a non-pecuniary interest. The Clerk was instructed to notify neighbours of the application of the application.

Extension to existing hotel and provision of additional parking facilities - Tree Bridge Hotel, Nunthorpe. No representations. The Parish Council declared a non-pecuniary interest.

## Plans approved

Layout of land, conversion of existing school buildings to flats and construction of dwellinghouses and flats with domestic garages - Ayton School

Listed Building Consent as above

Re-cladding existing building - Parochial Hall

Additional use of existing shop with storage area as a restaurant with associated facilities - 1 Park Square. Additional use of existing ancillary office accommodation for food preparation in conjunction with existing adjacent coffee shop - 5 Park Square.

Application for Listed Building Consent for alterations to 2 existing dwellings at Ivy Cottage and Nutshell - High Green.

Plans refused

Construction of detached dwelling and formation of a hardstanding - land adjacent to Eastbrook <u>Appeals allowed</u>

Mr S Tanfield - land and buildings at rear of 25 Linden Avenue

Mr S Ankers - extension 15 Newton Road

## Millennium

Domesday book The "go ahead" was given to Mrs J Essex to commence work.

Ball Minute continued

Weir pool Minute continued

<u>Stained glass window, Christ Church</u> The Clerk is to write to the Vicar to notify him of the Parish Council's offer to pay for a section of the window.

Village Map Minute continued

It was agreed to hold an extra Parish Council meeting on 13th January to discuss aspects of the Millennium plans in more detail.

# **Councillors' reports**

Councillor Fletcher reminded the meeting of approved plans to invest in the play area.

Councillor Bell suggested that Mr Sproates be asked to consider staying open on half-day-closing in Christmas week.

A dog bin had been overturned on the Chapel Steps. HDC are to be notified.