Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

held on Tuesday 28th May 2002 at 7.00 pm

Present

Councillors J Fletcher, Chairman, R Kirk, P Bell, Mrs M Stevens, Mrs F Greenwell, Mrs J Imeson, L Groves. Sgt D Merritt and J Kirk also attented.

Election of Officers

Councillor Mrs Greenwell was proposed as chairman by Councillor Mrs Imeson, seconded by Councillor Groves. There were no other nominations and Councillor Fletcher declared Councillor Mrs Greenwell chairman. Councillor Mrs Imeson proposed that Councillor Groves be elected as vice chairman. This was seconded by Councillor Fletcher and in the absence of other nominations Councillor Groves was duly elected vice chairman. Councillor Mrs Greenwell thanked Councillor Fletcher for his work as Chairman. Councillor Fletcher thanked the other councillors for their help and support through the year.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 30th April 2002 were approved and signed.

Police Business

Sgt Merritt reported that there had been 85 incidents in May compared to 128 the previous month. There were 18 crimes in the Great Ayton area, of which 5 were burglaries other that house burglaries and an individual had been arrested leaving the village with stolen goods. There had been 2 thefts from motor cars. The accident rate had been halved and only 2 slight injury accidents reported. There had been only 13 incidents of antisocial behaviour compared with 38 the previous month. Councillor Fletcher noted that members of the public had commented on reduction in rowdyism.

Sgt Merritt said that crime figures were hyped by the new accounting methods but he believed there was a reduction in crime in the area.

Councillor Mrs Stevens had received several complaints about gangs of youngsters going to the allotments at about 9-9.30 pm. Two residents had telephoned the police but one had hung up after waiting 10 minutes for someone to answer.

Ms Kirby had heard rumours that the big lime tree on High Green was to be cut down and asked if this was the case. She was advised that the smaller tree had been planted against the day when the big tree died or became diseased. The smaller one would then be in place to replace it in the fullness of time.

Cemetery

Howard Atkinson reported a busy month. The conifers had been planted and all the paths gravelled. He had dug two double graves – the one in the old part of the cemetery had been very difficult but the one in the new extension had not been too bad. Eric Harrison would be asked to cut the greens if necessary whilst Mr Atkinson was on holiday.

Brian Helm's daughters had asked if a seat could be put in the cemetery in memory of their father (see correspondence). This was agreed and it was proposed that it be placed near Mrs Olive Tanfield's seat which was well used.

Councillor Mrs Greenwell passed on congratulations from a resident on the neat and tidy condition of the cemetery and paths.

Matters arising from the minutes

Seat, Low Green A letter from the small claims court had resulted in payment for the destroyed seat. Minute concluded.

<u>Bus stop</u>, <u>Newton Road</u> Highways were to be asked to move the bus stop back to its original location. It was thought that it had been moved to accommodate the wishes of one resident and that other residents should not be inconvenienced because of this.

<u>Public open space</u> A letter would be sent to Wimpey asking them if they would prefer the Parish Council to cut the grass and send them the bill or arrange to have it cut themselves.

<u>Development of website for Great Ayton</u> The clerk would contact Mr S Kirby and Councillor Mrs Imeson would speak to HDC about their website.

<u>Register of interests and declaration of acceptance of office</u> All councillors had completed the register and signed the declaration.

Accounts

| York Catering Supplies (Jubilee mugs) | 1327.50 |
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| M Atkinson (grave digging) | 239.70 |
| Tancred Gravel (gravel for cemetery) | 347.40 |
| W Eves & Co Ltd (petrol) (direct debit) | 84.97 |
| A Fletcher (planting baskets) | 37.26 |

M L Holden [reimburse photocopying 70p,

| stationery £2.80, clock £3.99, items for Jubilee £110.37, Atkinson Garden Machinery | |
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| a/c (engine oil) £13.40] | 165.04 |
| Post Office Counters (redirect mail) | 21.00 |
| Great Ayton Parish Church (hall hire fee) | 75.00 |
| M L Holden (reimburse mileage) | 52.87 |
| Cash (fete prize money, band) | 382.00 |
| Great Ayton District Guides (delivering programmes) | 100.00 |
| 1 st Great Ayton Scouts (delivering programmes) | 100.00 |
| Eric Harrison (grass cutting) | 320.00 |
| Prontaprint (printing Jubilee progs) | 570.40 |
| Receipts, | |
| Bells Stores (flower tub sponsor) | 15.00 |
| P Rotheram (allot deposit) | 20.00 |
| Jubilee programme donations | 210.00 |
| NYCC (reimburse works to footpaths) | 844.00 |
| P Bell (allot deposit) | 10.00 |
| D Bailey (garage rent) | 10.00 |
| Cemetery receipts | 798.50 |
| Paul Coverdale (seat Low Green) | 300.00 |
| S Croft (allotment deposit) | 20.00 |
| NYCC (Hambleton Area Committee grant) | 100.00 |

Correspondence

Hambleton Community Safety Partnership – invitation to joint launch of the Community Safety Strategy 2002-5 and YACAB Initiative – 29th May, Newby Wiske 2.30 pm. *Councillor Mrs Imeson wished to congratulate HCSP on their home safety roadshow which had been very interesting and well attended.*

Esk Valley Railway Development Company – invitation to meet on train 28th May 13.47 – 14.33. *A letter of support would be sent to EVRDC*

Janet and Stephanie Helm – request for a memorial seat in the cemetery for Brian Helm. *See Cemetery above* Scouts Supporters – request for permission to sell duck race tickets 25.5, 1.6 and 2.6.02. *Approved* The Samaritans – request for donation. *Denied*

Hambleton Sports Council - affiliation fee reminder. Subscription to be paid

NYCC - re temporary prohibition of pedestrians - public footpath John Street/Cleveland Street

NYMNPA – Northern Area Parish Forum – notes of meeting 24.4.02; request for agenda items for meeting 24.7.02. Councillor Fletcher said that the authority intended to do something about Gribdale Gate when Lady Fry's estate had been settled. He reported that a gate had been installed to deter $4 \times 4s$

HDC Phil Morton - re parish council audit fees.

NYCC – proposed footway Yarm Lane. Council thought that the proposed footway was not practical and the plan did not show the existing parking bays. The Deed of Gift relating to greens prohibiteds making of roads and pathways over greens other than those already existing.

NYMNPA – Best Value Performance Plan – 1^{st} draft. Comments invited

NYCC – review of county council electoral boundaries – PC views invited. *The Council preferred option 1 but regretted that Whorlton was not in with Great Ayton as it affected Great Ayton county seat.*

Boundary Committee for England – periodic electoral review of NYCC – representations invited. *See above* R Boardman – re diversion of public footpath behind 19 – 35 Wainstones Close. *The Council reiterated its original decision that the path should not be closed*

YRCC – Country Air newsletter; Winged Fellowship Trust request for financial support; Playing Fields Assoc – invitation to subscribe (£30). *Council did not wish to subscribe to either request.*

Mrs A Gallafant - request to sell jewellery at village fete. Approved

NYPA - nominations for NY Community Police Officer of the Year

Hilary Hartley – request for permission to have memorial seat. It was suggested that a circular seat be provided around the smaller lime tree on High Green and people wishing to donate seats be invited to purchase a segment of the seat with their own inscription.

HDC - re Parish Council audit fees - meeting 20.6.02. Clerk to attend meeting

HDC - notice of street collection - Digital Retinal Camera Appeal 29.6.02

The following items of information were received:

Décor Art – advertisement for 21st Century Clock. *Councillor Kirk wished it to be made clear that this was nothing to do with the Parish Council*

NYCC - Moors Messenger newsletter

CPRE – TCG newsletter; Rural Matters newsletter

NYCC Financial Services – Pension Fund actuarial valuation; decision sheet for NY Pension Fund Officers' Group Learning & Skills Council – posters for Bite Size Intros 20.5. – 21.6.02

Wicksteed Leisure – brochure

Thames Valley Police – brochure re youth shelters and sports systems

Clerks and Councils Direct – magazine Shaw and Sons Ltd – brochure Hambleton Community Safety Partnership – re Home Safety Roadshow 24.5.02 NYMNPA – Planning Committee Agenda 9.5.02 for info; re publication of North York Moors Local Plan Inquiry Inspector's report NYCC – County Committee for Hambleton notice and agenda re meeting 7.5.02; action for sustainability in N Yorks; revised agenda sheet NYCC – re urban grass cutting Poppleston Allen – notice of application to transfer justices' off-licence – Bells Stores **Planning applications**

Conservatory extension to existing dwelling – 63 Marwood Drive. *No representations* Extension to existing bungalow – 66 Roseberry Crescent. *The Council was not comfortable with the design* Provision of replacement door and an external light – 125 High Street. *No representations* <u>Plans approved</u> Conservatory extension to existing house – 19 John Street Conversion of garage/stable to form a self-contained annexe – Red Roofs, Dikes Lane Alterations and extensions to existing dwellinghouse – 42 Roseberry Road Plans refused

Construction of a boundary wall with fence and gates to replace existing – 69 High Street Ground floor extension to existing hotel and extension to existing car park – Tree Bridge Hotel

Fete and Jubilee week

Fete

Family picnic

Choir concert in church

<u>Jubilee Revue</u> Sam's Bakery and Walkers Hair, who had both kindly given towards the Jubilee programme, had been inadvertently missed off the programme list of sponsors. Their donations would be returned with an apology. Beacon at Captain Cook's monument

Councillors' reports

Councillor Fletcher reported that there were holes in the footpath in Waterfall Park. C Pearson would be asked to attend to them.

Councillor Groves reported that the footbridge on the footpath to Stokesley had been damaged. This had already been reported to NYCC. He also reported that the wooden part of the sluice gate in Waterfall Park had rotted. Robert Ward would be asked to repair it with oak.

The date of the following meeting would be Tuesday 25th June 2002.