Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

held on Tuesday 12th October 2004 at 7.00 pm

Present

Councillors L Groves, Chairman, Mrs J Imeson, Mrs M Stevens, P Bell, J Fletcher, R Kirk. Sgt Ron Allan also attended.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs F Greenwell.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14th September 2004 were approved and signed.

Police Business

A written report had been received from Inspector Richardson, together with the monthly crime statistics. Disorder problems in Great Ayton had been considerably reduced since the issues during August. An operation to target auto crime had resulted in 14 arrests and 4 vehicles seized for no insurance. Foot patrols would be targeted to deal with youngsters during the hallowe'en and bonfire night period and shops were being asked not to sell eggs, flour, fireworks etc to young people during this time. The statistics for the months were as follows: violent crimes 2; autocrime 13; burglaries 6; total crimes 35; road traffic accidents (non-injury/animal) 2; total incidents 108 of which 26 involved antisocial behaviour.

Sgt Allan said that police resources had been increased between the hours of 2pm and 10 pm to deal with burglaries and autocrime.

Councillor Bell reported that a greenhouse had been smashed up and scattered on one of the allotments. Sgt Allan said that as the damage had been caused by the greenhouse owner it was not a police matter. It was agreed that the tenant be given 10 days to clear the debris or the Parish Council would employ someone to do it and bill the tenant.

The Chairman thanked Sgt Allan for attending.

Councillors suggested 25th October or 2nd November at 3.00 pm for the visit to the control centre. The clerk would ascertain if either of these was suitable.

Cemetery

Councillor Mrs Imeson asked if a more substantial fence could be erected between the cemetery and Yatton House as people were climbing over and had broken off the young trees planted against the existing fence. This was agreed. Headstone safety-check and compost heap - carried forward.

River

Councillor Fletcher reported that the alder trees on the river bank at Low Green were growing very large and obscuring the view of the river from the green. The open aspect was being lost. It was agreed that the possibility of removing the trees be investigated.

Matters arising

<u>Footpaths</u> – Riverside - application form to have the path designated as a public footpath had been received from NYCC and required completion; stile and hedge Glebe field - the hedge had been cut but the stile still remained an obstacle to elderly people who frequented the walk. NYCC would be asked to revisit the problem.

<u>Village Hall</u> Councillor Kirk reported that a constitution for a new combined committee should be in place by the next meeting.

<u>Potholes, High Green, surface dressing/repair</u> - Councillor Fletcher and the clerk had met the contractor on site. The work had been inspected and the contractor agreed to make good unsatisfactory areas. He accepted the suggestion that 10% of the account be withheld until the work was satisfactorily completed.

Repair to pavilion Minute continued

<u>Highways matters</u> - footbridges - a report had been received that there was a broken rail on one of the bridges. Highways would be informed and asked to deal with the problem as a matter of urgency; tree works Yarm Lane and Levenside - minute continued; trod, Linden Grove/Hawthorns - HDC would be asked to clear the litter; dump corner - it was suggested that Highways be asked to see the problem for themselves next time there was significant rainfall; metal inspection covers Newton Road - these had been inspected and found to be within acceptable limits. Minute concluded.

Poorly reinstated road surface, High Green Minute continued

Cycle rack, library car park NYCC to be asked if any progress had been made

Mile posts and signs renovation project - request from NYMNPA for help with funding - NYMNPA would be asked the number and location of items in Great Ayton parish before decision to help could be made.

<u>Christmas dates</u> - The date for carols round the Christmas tree was confirmed as Friday 17th December. The Father Christmas float would tour the village on Wednesday 22nd December if this date was acceptable to Mr P Greenwell.

Allotment rents - the rounding of allotment rents after the annual increase had resulted in anomalies over the years and there were now many different rents. It was agreed that rents be rationalised before the next collection in October 2005. A full allotment rent would be £15, a half allotment £7.50 and a rate for the few small plots would be agreed after inspection by the Allotment Managers. Councillor Bell said that the hedge needed cutting. He also

requested that an additional rule be added to the allotment regulations stating that an incoming tenant should have first option on any equipment left on the allotment eg shed, greenhouse, paving.

Accounts

W Eves and Co Ltd (petrol, direct debit July 2004)	113.44
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Northumbrian Water (Cemetery £7.09, allotments £88.09	95.18
S Manship (refund half allotment deposit)	10.00
H Atkinson (reimburse phone card)	10.00
Eric Harrison (grass cutting)	360.00
Hambleton District Council (salaries July, Aug, Sept 04)	6532.87
Sam Turner & Sons Ltd (parts, oil for mower; items cem.	.) 138.42
Mazars (audit fee)	411.25
Brian T Taylor (repairs to gutter, pavilion)	25.00
Playground Management Ltd (inspection fee)	92.83
Les Atkinson (levelling allotment track)	105.75
Receipts	
Allotment deposits	50.00
Yatton House rent	200.00
Hambleton District Council (precept)	16,250.00
Allotment rents and deposits	123.25
Allotment rents	1613.00
Allotment deposit	20.00

Correspondence

Mr E Ellis - request for permission to plant tree in memory of parents. *Agreed. It was suggested that a weeping willow near the marshy area in Riverside Park would be appropriate.*

HDC, Mrs H Clough Smith - invitation to Renewable Energy Training Day 29.10.04. Received

HDC - re Capt. James Cook Memorial Garden

HDC - request for views on how local community could become involved with the new Plan Making Process - questionnaire. *Questionnaire completed*

HDC - invitation to Crime Seminar 30th November 2004. Request for details of 3 main priorities and concerns in connection with crime. *Received*

RoSPA - Play area safety inspection report. Councillor Fletcher to study and report

Wickstead Leisure - Guide to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and how the October 2004 provisions relate to outdoor play areas. *Councillor Fletcher to study and report*

W Eves & Co Ltd - new direct debit mandate for signature. Signed

HDC - new property address - Langbaurgh Farm House, Great Ayton. Received

NYCC - Council Plan for 2004-7 - invitation to meeting. Received

The following items of information were received:-

HDC - tree preservation order

NYMNPA - agenda for meeting 27.9.04

Bow House - proof for entry in Herriot Country Guide 2005

defra - letter re Clean Neighbourhoods from Rt Hon Alun Michael MP

NYCC - Revised Pension Procedure - Pen21a Forms; invitation to Pension Fund Triennial Actuarial Valuation employers' consultation meeting 25.10.04

Response Computing Centre - advertisement

YRCC - invitation to annual general meeting 30.10.04; annual report

NYCC - County Committee for Hambleton agenda for meeting 11.10.04

Street, Landscape and Play - re seminars and exhibition

NYMNPA - agenda for Planning Committee meeting 14.10.04

Planning applications

Alterations and two storey side extension to existing dwelling as amended - 17 Newton Road. *Already approved* Outline application for the construction of a dwelling - land adjacent to 10 Roseberry Crescent. *The Parish Council recommended rejection. It was felt that the proposed development was entirely inappropriate and gross over-development of the site*

Application to carry out works totrees the subject of TPO - 1 Old Mill Wynd. *The Parish Council wished to be certain that the trees needed to come down*

Plans approved

Conversion of agricultural buildings comprising one storage unit, tow holiday units and a single dwelling with an office as amended - Langbaurgh Farm

Application for Listed Building Consent as above

Alterations and part single/part two storey extension to existing dwelling - 1 Roseberry Crescent

Alterations and single storey side/rear conservatory to existing dwelling - 5 Skottowe Drive

Listed Building Consent for alterations to rear, including replacement double doors - 12 High Green

Alterations and extension to existing dwelling to form conservatory - 51 Roseberry Crescent

Alterations and single storey rear extension to existing dwelling - 12 Farm Garth

Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling - 44 Wheatlands

Alterations and extension to existing dwelling - 52 Guisborough Road

Alterations and ground floor extension to existing dwelling - 8 Roseberry Avenue

Application for creation of access drive (retrospective) at Ryehill House, Station Road

Plans Refused

Alterations for rear dormer windows to existing dwelling - 43 Bridge Street

Listed Building Consent as above

Plans withdrawn

Construction of agricultural building and formation of new access - OS fields 5890 and 6300

Interim accounts for approval and signature

The accounts were approved and signed

Councillors' reports

Councillor Bell asked if a mirror could be installed to assist drivers exiting from Beech Close. Councillors thought it a good idea but Highways would not put up mirrors. Mr Bell reported that the yellow lines near the Captain Cook Schoolroom Museum were worn away. Highways would be asked to reinstate them.

Councillor Mrs Stevens had received a request for a pelican crossing for motorised buggies from Hollygarth. She was advised that the pavements had been lowered to assist drivers of buggies but a pelican crossing would not be permitted.

Councillor Groves reported that walkers were mistaking the footpath signs through the allotments and going through the farmer's field instead. NYCC would be asked to re-site the signs so as to make the footpath clear. Notices would be erected to prohibit anyone other than allotment holders to use the side paths. Mr Groves reported that the Roseberry Drive road name sign at its junction with Wheatlands was in need of restoration. HDC would be notified.

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday 9th November 2004.