Minutes of a Meeting of Great Ayton Parish Council

held on Tuesday 18th July 2006 at 7.00 pm

Present

Councillors R Kirk, Chairman, J Fletcher, P Bell, Mrs F Greenwell, N Waters. Messrs H Atkinson and P Suggitt, and PC Michelle McFarlane and PCSO Chris Read also attended.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs J Imeson and Mrs M Stevens.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20th June 2006 were approved and signed.

Police Business

The Chief Constable had replied to the Council's concerns regarding the Control Room and suggested that the Parish Council should visit as it was clear that the operation of the call handling system was not understood. A letter had been received from the Events Officer outlining procedures to be followed for running of the village fete procession.

PC McFarlane reported that the CCTV camera was to be moved to Stokesley. Councillor Kirk said that it had been beneficial and the village had appreciated its being there.

Councillor Fletcher reported that there had been numerous problems on High Green with youths using footballs as missiles. Councillor Waters asked if there had been any progress on the incident involving youths attacking younger boys on their way home from cricket practice. It was reported that there was a lot of trouble at the cricket pavilion on weekend nights involving damage to the building, broken bottles etc. PC McFarlane said that the police would check the pavilion on weekend nights. Councillor Fletcher said that boy racers were still causing problems screaming round High Green and the High Street.

Cemetery

Mr Atkinson said that favourable comment on the new footpath had been received from the public. The hedgecutter was inadequate for the amount of work required and the purchase of a new one was authorised. The broken seesaw in the play area had been repaired, and the metal remains of the seat in Waterfall Park ground off. Councillor Kirk said that he had heard many compliments about the Greens.

Councillor Fletcher asked if Mr Atkinson could check the condition of the seats outside the library, and Councillor Bell said that the trees in the cemetery required attention. Mr Atkinson would deal with these matters.

River

Mr Suggitt had cleared rubbish from the river several times, and had strimmed the banks. He asked if a sign could be erected saying that it was illegal to throw litter. Councillors said that it would be impossible to implement but they believed Hambleton District Council officers and some police officers were trained to issue spot fines. There had been no response from the Environment Agency regarding its programme of works for the river in Great Ayton. Councillor Fletcher said that it would be beneficial for the EA to work in partnership with the River Warden Contractor, especially with regard to the removal of silt banks. He said that information regarding a training wall near the stone bridge was available on the Environment Agency website.

Matters arising

<u>Village Hall</u> Councillor Kirk had prepared a report. Councillors agreed to accept the recommendations contained therein with the exception of the item "plus 2 by any other Great Ayton regularly using the Hall" in section 6. <u>Highways matters</u> - barrier for footpath, Chapel Steps - work to be undertaken in the autumn; Tree Bridge junction - minute continued; railings Waterfall Terrace, footbridges - NYCC agreed to provide materials. Additional railings identified as being in need of attention; parked vehicles Guisborough Road - NYCC to investigate; speeding cars Station Road - NYCC to investigate

Arcade – Further letter to be sent to Mowden Park re broken bollard

<u>Bus service</u> – response from Wm Hague MP and copy of letter to him from Arriva. Minute concluded <u>Riverside Park</u> – footpath; copse – minute continued

Kissing gate at footbridge near Leven Court - NYCC unable to assist as it was not a registered public right of way

Accounts

W Eves & Co Ltd (petrol, direct debit)	129.46
Eric Harrison (grass cutting)	400.00
A Fletcher (reimburse flower baskets)	51.63
Kate Harvie (reimburse overpayment of stall fee)	10.00
Hambleton District Council (salaries April, May, June 06)	6608.67
M A Beeforth (audit fee)	150.00
Northumbrian Water (allotments £166.45, cemetery £6.05)	172.50
BCTV (footpath Riverside Park)	4130.37
P Suggitt (repair bin £25, work in Waterfall Park £480)	505.00
Sam Turner & Sons Ltd (repairs to mower)	139.96

D I Holden (reimburse virus protection)	34.99
Tom Newton Haulage (cemetery path)	2173.75
Roseberry Decorating (flower tubs and signs)	471.00
Paul Suggitt (work in Waterfall Park)	140.00
Receipts	
L Holden, R Kirk, J Imeson, F Greenwell (reimburse fete lunch)	21.70
D Bailey (garage rent)	10.00

Correspondence.

Mr and Mrs J Fletcher – request for memorial seat on High Green. *Councillor Fletcher declared an interest. Request approved*

Mrs H Rumney – re "no parking" on Low Green on fete day. Mrs Rumney would be advised that the fete occurs only once every two years on the second Saturday in June, and all available space was required for the floats which were very large and difficult to manoeuvre

HDC D Goodwin - re lottery grants programme "Breathing Places". More information to be obtained

Mrs J Roberts – re pavement cleaning, sycamore tree, and Bridge Street development. Comments noted

PCF Orders – invitation to purchase catalogue of publicly owned art

Dr P Shelton – re abusive and threatening behaviour. Comments noted

HDC – Standards Committee – appointment of Parish Council representative

NYCC – Transportation Strategy for Stokesley, Great Ayton and surrounding areas – report and request for comments. *Councillor Mrs Greenwell to respond*

Mr M Beeforth – internal audit report. Mr Beeforth confirmed that, in his opinion, the internal control and record keeping continued to be of a high standard, and he had completed the Annual Return form accordingly. He commented that the annual risk assessment and evidence of competitive tendering on costs of more than £100 should be formally minuted

North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue – consultation document

Mrs B Barratt – re tree in verge Skottowe Crescent, *It was understood that the problem was being dealt with* NYMNPA – Community Facilities Survey 2006

Dr P Shelton – further observations re antisocial behaviour by adults. Comments noted

Mrs J Home - re Captain Cook Garden. Comments noted

The following items of information were received:-

NYCC – County Committee for Hambleton newsletter

CE Electric UK – newsletter; customer satisfaction survey

External Review – product information cards

Clerks and Councils Direct - magazine

Askham Bryan College – prospectus for part time courses

NYMNPA - Planning Committee agenda 13.7.06

Marie Curie Cancer Care – poster advertising talks

HDC – street collection dates – Alzheimer's Society 8.7.06; Diabetes UK 15.7.06

CPRE - Countryside Voice magazine

NYCC Pension Fund – newsletter; newlook lgps consultation paper; Advisory Bulletin 515

Charity Commission – leaflets re Governance Hub, and A Code for the Voluntary and Community Sector

Planning applications

Dormer windows to front of existing dwelling – 38 Wainstones Close. No representations

Single storey extension to existing dwelling – 20 Sunnyfield. *No representations*

Proposed felling of a conifer tree – 85 High Street. No representations

Revised outline application for the construction of a dwelling – Chartersmead, Easby Lane. *No representations* Construction of a car port and a replacement domestic garage as amended – 37 Byemoor Ave. *No representations*. *However, several calls had been received concerned that a business was being run from the premises. HDC would be notified.*

Conservatory extension to existing dwelling – Greenhow Moor Farm. *Councillor Kirk declared a non-pecuniary interest. No representations*

Siting of new refrigeration/air conditioning condensers to existing shop -115 High Street. *No representations* Amended plans for above. *No representations*

Plans approved

Application for prior approval for installation of a base unit – Angrove West Farm

Application for Listed Building Consent for alterations and extensions to existing dwelling – 17 High Green Appeal decision

Appeal dismissed – land adjacent to 12 Rosehill

Letter from Mr and Mrs Skerry regarding application for Chartersmead

<u>Letter</u> from H Stonehouse re planning application Chartersmead, Easby Lane

Councillors, reports

Councillor Fletcher had been asked by a visitor why the name on the stone bridge was missing. Councillors agreed to give some thought to replacing the name

Councillor Bell reported that a vehicle for sale had been parked for 4 or 5 days at the bottom of the Chapel steps. He was advised to put a polite notice on it, as had been done to good effect in similar circumstances at Park Square.

Councillor Mrs Greenwell advised the meeting that Councillor Fletcher had been appointed Chairman of the North York Moors National Park Authority. He was congratulated by the Council.

Councillor Kirk said that Rainbow Nurseries were still advertising their business by means of boards on the grass verge. HDC would be informed.

The date of the following meeting would be Tuesday 15th August 2006