Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

Minutes of meeting – 17th November 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present: Mrs Booth, Mrs Herbert, Mr Dick, Mr Mitton and 7 residents.

- 1. Apologies: Mr Tubby who was attending the Hambleton Liaison Meeting, Cllr Barker and Cllr Phillips.
- 2. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20th October 2016 were accepted and signed. This was proposed by Cllr Dick and seconded by Cllr Mitton.

3. Matters for Report

- Item 3a 30mph speed limit, Little Fencote There had been no further response from Highways. Cllr Dick asked the clerk to follow this up.
- Item 10 Seats These are now in place.
- Item 17c Fly Tipping at Langton Bridge This was reported to HDC who, on this occasion, cleared the site. However, as the land is privately owned it should be cleared by the landowner.

4. Football Posts

A representative of the football group explained that they had approached the school but, whilst the school would like to use any new posts, they were unable to guarantee a contribution. The group had already raised some money through a cake stall and were considering a coffee morning. It was suggested that afternoon tea was a popular event and arrangements were made through the Village Hall for this.

Cllr Booth had looked into the possibility of grants and offered to submit applications to the Community Development Fund and Bedale Villages Community Forum. This was accepted with thanks.

5. Burial Ground

Cllr Booth reported that Mr Stubbs has cut the hedge and a bonfire has been used to tidy up the clippings. Poppies were placed on the Avenue of Trees for Remembrance Day and Cllr Booth thanked those involved.

St Mary's Churchyard - Cllr Herbert reported that the working party managed to clear most of the grass but that it has been too wet to clear the rest at the moment.

St Andrew's Churchyard – the clearing of the tree cuttings is in hand.

6. Correspondence

HDC – Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation 31st October to 12th December 2016 – notices placed on website and notice boards. As there is no meeting in December it was agreed that Cllr Booth and Cllr Herbert would draft a response and circulate it for comment before submission (0111/16); Great North Air Ambulance – request for a grant (02/11/16).

Also circulated: 'Clerks and Councils Direct' November 2016 Issue 108 (03/11/16).

7. Finance

a) It was resolved to pay the following and cheques were signed accordingly:

C.A. Mitton £73.95 for wages (chq 163).

C.E. and C.M. Walker £114.00 for grasscutting the greens in September, Inv. 400 (chq 164)

Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall Charity £82.50 for room rental Mar-Nov and Newsletter printing Nov/Dec (chq 166)

HMRC £36.80 3rd Quarter Payment (chq 167)

Z.T. Dick £50.00 for grasscutting the Burial Ground and hedge trimming (B A chq 024).

Income: £200 for Exclusive Rights, Plot B10.

Furniture Insurance: A quotation of £291.91 had been received from Zurich Insurance which compared favourably with the current policy and included outdoor furniture. Cllr Dick suggested that NFU Insurance should be considered so it was agreed to ask for a further quotation from them. In the meantime the policy with Aon should be cancelled from 31st December so that a new policy could begin from 1st January 2017. As there is no meeting before this date councillors agreed to liaise over the quotations and that a cheque should be signed to cover the chosen quotation.

8. Planning

a) Applications

16/02272/TPO: Proposal: Proposed works to a tree subject to a tree preservation order – 1998/02. Sycamore

Location: 18 Village Fold Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks DL7 0TX

Applicant: Mr Urwin

Councillors had no objections to this proposal.

b) Outcomes

16/01964/FUL: Proposal: Proposed 2 storey extension to rear of property to form 2 storey rear elevation

with additional single storey extension to form dining area of property

Location: 21 Forge Lane Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks

Applicant: Ms Kate Smith

This application was granted.

16/01729/FUL: Proposal: Demolition of existing domestic outbuilding and construction of a building for

use as a unit of holiday accommodation as amended by plans received by HDC

on 10 October 2016

Location: 1 Forge Lane Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks **Applicant:** Mr & Mrs Rachel and Christopher Simpson

This application was granted.

16/01973/FUL: Proposal: Proposed construction of a front porch

Location: 15 Village Way Kirkby Fleetham North Yorks

Applicant: Mr & Mrs O'Keefe

This application was granted.

9. Village Green, Great Fencote

A resident reported that the Green by the bus shelter in Great Fencote was sustaining damage through vehicles cutting the corner and driving across the grass. Councillors agreed that this was unacceptable and Cllr Dick offered to speak with those involved. If the problem continues further action may need to be taken.

10. Request for new access across Common Land, Little Fencote

Cllr Booth outlined the process involved and where costs would be incurred. The resident indicated that, provided these were reasonable, they would be covered. Cllr Booth offered to try to establish the cost more precisely and this was accepted with thanks.

11. Minerals and Waste Joint Plan

Cllr Booth explained that the contentious site at Brewery Corner had not been included as a preferred site and neither had the one at Scruton. The extension to the Killerby site was a preferred site, as was Holme Farm provided access could be arranged through Killerby. It was agreed that this was probably the best result for the parish. The Joint Plan includes provision for community involvement and councillors commented that although we have 2 preferred sites in the parish neither contractor has made any attempt as yet to involve the community. This would be reported back as part of the consultation.

12. Yellow Lines, Kirkby Fleetham

There has been no further information.

13. Trees

Cllr Booth reported that Mr Braithwaite has agreed to replace the 3 dead trees. He couldn't confirm whether deer had caused the problem. Cllr Booth will arrange to collect the new trees and Cllr Dick will help with the planting.

14. Village Hall

Representatives reported that they hope the car park will be completed by the end of the week and a bill for materials will be passed to the Parish Council as agreed. As there is no meeting until January councillors resolved that a cheque should be issued to cover the previously agreed amount when it arrives. It was also explained that the Trustees are to become Holding Trustees to ensure that, if at any time the Village Hall should not be a viable proposition, it will be for the residents to decide what happens to the Hall. Community Network – there will be further information about this in the next newsletter and people interested will be asked to enrol by submitting their email address.

15. Community Emergency Plan

There was no further information.

16. Community-Led Housing

Cllr Booth had enquired whether this would provide an opportunity for Affordable Housing as there has been a need identified in the parish but it was not clear whether this was the best course of action. It was agreed to invite the Affordable Housing Enabler to the January meeting to try to clarify the situation.

17. Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr Mitton has taken on the role of co-ordinator and reported that he has met with the PCSO. To get things started he has received a number of leaflets, badges etc which he hopes to leave in the village shop and village hall for residents to collect and will put notices on the boards and website explaining the process. He also asked for an item to go in the Newsletter.

He will liaise with those organizing the community network system to see whether the two initiatives can work together using the community website for communication with residents about reported incidents.

18. Any Other Business

Cllr Booth explained that she had been approached by some residents about cars speeding along Kirkby Lane close to Butchers Bank, drivers of which were using mobile phones. She had referred them to the police who deal with speeding issues. Also, as regards possible new signage, she said that as well as the PC writing to Highways, individual residents should also do so and gave them the appropriate address.

Meeting closed 9.05 pm

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, 19th January 2017.