

## **FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

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### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2014 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE.**

**PRESENT** Councs. G Harling (Chairman) D Atkinson , M Scarffe, R Bramley, 2 member of the public & Clerk S Harding-Hill

#### **201/14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The residents of No 36 Main Street asked the Parish Council if they would consider renting them a plot of land at the rear of their property in order for them to keep the area tidy and perhaps have a bench and grow a few vegetables. The plot of land has been let on a previous occasion to earlier occupiers. The Parish Council did not have any immediate objections but stated they would consider the proposal at the next meeting.

#### **202/14 COUNCILLORS APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Counc. J Waring.

#### **203/14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

NYCC & CDC Representative Counc P Mulligan, CDC Representative Counc. Pat Fairbank .

#### **204/14 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Counc's M Scarffe & R Bramley declared a personal interest in minute no 214/14 repairs to the Arbour Access Road.

#### **205/14 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE ON THE 4TH and 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> November were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman. The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> November were approved by the Council after a couple of amendments.

#### **206/14 HIGHWAYS**

Darren Griffiths the team leader for traffic engineering at NYCC has provided a drawing for the proposed pedestrian refuge and has stated that the work will cost in the region of £16,000 but will have to wait until the beginning of the new financial year before implementation. He has requested that we inform him of our thoughts on the proposal and if we are happy with this option, whether we are willing to contribute as discussed on site.

The Parish Council resolved that more information was needed on the operation of the junction before a decision could be made. Clerk to ask for the gap analysis and stop analysis reports which were promised after the public meeting in April and also a report on the footage from the camera that was placed at the junction. A decision was also made that we needed to have another meeting with Cononley Parish Council in order to come to a mutual decision and also to ask the views of Kildwick Parish Meeting. An article will also be placed on the website to enable any residents of the village to put forward their comments.

#### **207/14 UPDATE FROM CDC & NYCC REPRESENTATIVES**

None Present

#### **208/14 REVIEW OF REGISTER OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS**

Craven are carrying out a review of the Register of Members' Interest for all Parish Councils and have asked that all Councillors inform them of any amendments required. They would also like to remind members of their duty to keep their registrations up to date and that any changes should be notified to the monitoring officer within 28days of the change taking place.

#### **209/14 PEGGY WILSON TRUST**

The Parish Council have been informed that an extra £15.00 is required for the contribution towards the cost of repairing the south facing wall at the Peggy Wilson Trust Playing Field due to a Vat charge which was overlooked. The Parish Council **resolved** to pay the extra amount.

#### **210/14 FINANCE & ACCOUNTS**

The following accounts were approved for payment by the Council

Peggy Wilson Trust

£15.00

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211/14 **NUISANCE ACTIVITIES**

Craven Community Safety Partnership are researching several options on how to deal with nuisance activities and will be discussing issues at a meeting in December. They will inform us of the outcome of the meeting.

212/14 **CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES**

The Canal & River Trust have agreed to provide a license to install a permanent feeder pillar to supply electric for the Christmas Tree and are in the process of drawing up a license. The cost of the license will be £100. The Parish Council will then just need to gain permission to install a tree each year, but the Canal & River Trust have said there will not be a problem with this and it will just be confirmed by e-mail to save on costs of drawing up a permanent 12year agreement for the tree which would cost roughly £1000.00

213/14 **PLAY AREA**

The yearly inspection of the Play Area has been carried out by ROSPA and there are no items causing immediate concern. A few issues were raised but these were marked as low risk. Counc R Bramley will fill the gaps which have been caused by shrinkage of the wet pour with kiln sand to alleviate the trip hazard

214/14 **ONGOING DEVELOPMENT OF THE ARBOUR**

DTMS have confirmed that when the clearance work at the Arbour is finished they will clear away the debris.

Councillor M Scarffe stated that the Council had adopted and agreed some time ago to follow Dr Canways report and that the recent plan provided by the supplier of the plants was not in agreement with the earlier report.

The next stage is to finish strimming the brambles and to plant the area on the left and to continue clearing the undergrowth from the middle section in preparation for some more planting but leaving the big clumps of ivy. The Council have been informed that they may be able to get a grant from Craven District Council to go towards the cost of work needed to the path, steps and handrail for the path which goes up the middle of the Arbour. Counc M Scarffe to draw up a specification for the work and Clerk to get some quotes for the work.

The builder working at Craglands has rectified some of the damage done at Arbour Top, but has not repaired the edges of the track which were broken away by the heavy vehicles, which he did agree to repair. Clerk to write and ask him to complete the work.

215/14 **BUDGET ACCOUNT**

The Parish Council discussed the draft budget account which was prepared by the Clerk and put forward some adjustments. Clerk to make the necessary amendments and pass around before the next meeting to reconsider before setting the precept.

216/14 **PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT**

Counc D Atkinson has provided an article about the problems associated with supplying a Christmas Tree for the village for the website this month.

217/14 **CORRESPONDENCE**

NYCC Library Consultation.

YLCA Revised National Joint Council pay scale recommendations 2014-2016

218/14 **MINOR ITEMS OF BUSINESS & ITEMS TO GO ON THE AGENDA NEXT MONTH**

Review of Rents & Contracts to go on the agenda for the January meeting.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2015 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL  
INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM**

**All members of the village are welcome to attend**

Susan Harding-Hill  
13.12.2014