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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON THE 6TH JANUARY 2015 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE.**

PRESENT Counc. G Harling(Chairman), D Atkinson, M Scarffe, R Bramley & J Waring, NYCC & CDC
Representative Coun. P Mulligan & CDC Representative Council P Fairbank & Clerk S Harding-Hill

219/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public present.

220/15 COUNCILLORS APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

221/15 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Counc D Atkinson declared a personal interest in Minute No 230/15

**222/15 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE ON THE 2ND DECEMBER 2014
and AMENDMENTS TO MINUTES OF EXTRA MEETING 21ST NOVEMBER 2014**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd December 2014 and the amendments to the minutes of the extra meeting of the 21st November 2014 were approved by the Council and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

223/15 HIGHWAYS

Cononley Parish Council have agreed to meet with Farnhill to discuss issues at Cononley Crossroads and the possibility of having a Traffic Island as put forward for consideration by Darren Griffiths of NYCC. Kildwick Parish will be discussing the issue at their meeting on the 15th January and will inform us of their views. Farnhill Parish Council are of mixed opinion about a Traffic Island, but the majority of Councillor's thought that although it would not resolve the whole issue it would be better than nothing, but stated that signage would be needed on all approaches to the Island to slow the traffic. NYCC District Representative Council P Mulligan stated that the justification behind the proposal was that people did not feel safe to cross the road and they wanted a refuge and that Darren Griffiths was very experienced in providing solutions for difficult junctions. Clerk to arrange a meeting suitable for all parties. Possible dates being the 19th, 20th & 21st January.

224/15 UPDATES FROM CDC & NYCC REPRESENTATIVES

CDC Representative Council P Fairbank informed the Parish Council that at the last full Council meeting of CDC Richard Foster was elected as the new leader and Patrick Mulligan elected as deputy leader. She also reported that at the recent Select Committee an issue discussed was the possible closure of the police cells in Skipton. This would mean prisoners would have to be taken to Harrogate which would involve the use of a vehicle and 2-3 police officers (when cut backs in officers are already being made) depending on the case. The prisoners would possibly then on being released have to find their own way back. The reason being the cells in Skipton were not up to standard and they say it would save £172,000 per year. She also gave an update on the refuse collection and stated that CDC are carrying out a consultation on the use of collection points for the bins and that they are there to provide a service and will help with a solution if it would cause a problem to anybody. NYCC & CDC Representative P Mulligan reported that the Police Commission are working with the Community Safety Partnership on creating reforms for the treatment of the mentally ill, with them being taken to a place of safety rather than taken to the cells.

He also spoke about the recent consultation on the re-organization of library services across North Yorkshire with the aim being to have three different levels of libraries. The seven districts would each have 1 **Core** library in their main town. These libraries would be staffed by a combination of paid staff and volunteers and would support and advise other libraries in the district. The next level would be **Hybrid** libraries which would be for large and busy libraries. The cost of the premises and one member of staff would be met by NYCC and they would rely on volunteers for the remainder of staff with support from the Core libraries. The third level would be **Community** libraries which would be run through the community by volunteers with assistance and possibly some financial help from the Council.

He stated that due to continued cuts in budget and the success of community run services the aim of NYCC is to devolve more services where they will commission and provide funding by means of grants rather than provide the service. The range of services could include community transport and youth services

225/15 REVIEW OF RENTS & CONTRACTS FOR LAND OWNED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL.

The Council considered a request to rent a piece of land behind 36 Main Street and resolved that they would grant permission subject to a contract being signed and an agreement to pay a rent of £40.00 per year. Clerk to provide a contract and Counc. M Scarffe to draw up a plan of the area. It was resolved that the remainder of the rental agreements would be reviewed as they became due for payment and new plans would be drawn up. Clerk to write to Logan Brown to ask him if he has a copy of his agreement.

26/15 **FINANCE & ACCOUNTS**

- a. The Parish Council resolved not to continue with membership of the SLCC (as advised by Clerk)
- b. The Parish Council considered grants to Kildwick/Farnhill Institute, & Home Start Craven & resolved not to give a grant to Home Start Craven, but to put aside an amount in the budget for village grants which could be available to the Institute if necessary.

The following accounts were approved for payment by the Council

NYCC Footway Lighting	£2,074.90
CDC Election Costs	£ 120.00
Data Protection Yearly Fee	£ 35.00

227/15 **NUISANCE ACTIVITIES**

No further updates available.

228/15 **CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES**

No further updates.

229/15 **PLAY AREA**

Counc R Bramley reported that there were no issues of concern at the Play Area.

230/15 **ONGOING DEVELOPMENT OF THE ARBOUR**

The plants which are to be purchased have arrived at the garden centre and the Parish Council have been informed that because we were unable to plant them on arrival they have all been heeled in and are better left while the end of February. Planting will be discussed at the next meeting ready for planting at the beginning of March weather permitting . Counc M Scarffe has supplied a specification for the work on the path and steps at the Arbour and Clerk to get some quotes for the work.

Clerk to write and remind the builder that carried out the work at Craglands that the work to the track still needs completing.

231/15 **BUDGET ACCOUNT**

The clerk provided a revised budget account with the amendments agreed last month and it was resolved to accept it as final. The Parish Council also resolved to set the precept at £13050.00 which is a reduction of £200.00 on last year.

Because the tax base has been reduced this year from 207.05 to 205.73 this will work out at the same amount per property (based on a Band D property) as last year.

BUDGET ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2015

ESTIMATED PAYMENTS 2015/2016

ADMINISTRATION

Insurance	800.00
Clerks Salary	1745.00
Clerks Expenses	140.00
Newsletter	60.00
Institute Rent	150.00
Audit	400.00
ROSPA	85.00
Website	100.00
YLCA	190.00
Play Area Rent	10.00
Peggy Wilson Trust Insurance	20.00
Data Protection Fee	35.00
Total	3735.00

SERVICES

NYCC Energy Supply	1300.00
NYCC Street Lighting Maintenance	1500.00
New Street Lighting	5000.00
Strimming, Walling, Arbour Work & Tree Work	3000.00
Total	10800.00

MISCELLANEOUS SPENDING PROGRAMME

Donations	175.00
Grant Provisions	1200.00
Christmas Tree	500.00
Total	1875.00

CONTINGENCY 900.00

TOTAL **£17,310.00**

FUNDED BY

Brought Forward 31st March 2015

General Reserve	9309.23
Reserve for new Street Lights	4694.67
Estimated Total	14003.90

Receipts 2015/2016

Precept	13050.00
Vat Refund	1000.00
Rents	65.00
Interest	10.00
Total Receipts	14125.00

Reserves B/Forward **14003.90**

Total Funds **£28,128.90**

Total Estimated Income 2015/2016 14125.00

Total Estimated Expenditure 2015/2016 17310.00

Balance of Income & Expenditure 2016 **-3185.00**

General Reserves B/F March 2015 9309.23

Street Lighting Reserve B/Forward March 2015 4694.67

Total Funds to Carry Forward March 2016 **£10,818.90**

232/15 **PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE**

Counc J Waring to prepare an article for the website for next month on the procedure for getting children into the school at Kildwick.

233/15 **FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL'S POLICIES**

Carried over till next meeting.

234/15 **CORRESPONDENCE**

E-Mail from Simon Clayton Re Bench at Farnhill Pinnacle

E-Mail from Derek Blackwell Re- South Craven Over 50's Forum Meeting Monday 19th January 2015 Community Centre, North Road, Sutton-- Funded Projects related to winter warmth, energy and dealing with crises across Craven.

E-Mail Rural Yorkshire – Winter Weather Scheme for your Community

E-Mail Elaine Pearson Internal Auditor Re- retiring from Audit Work

NYCC Craven Area Committee – Thursday 11th December 2014 at 10.00am Carleton-In-Craven Village Hall

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council- Notice of Submission of the Core Strategy Development Plan Document for the Bradford District.

Julian Smith MP – Annual Report 2014

White Rose Update December 2014

NYCC - Library Consultation.

YLCA – Revised National Joint Council pay scale recommendations 2014-2016

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Minutes of Craven Branch YLCA Saturday 11th October 2014

YLCA Craven Branch Meeting Notice & Agenda Monday 19th January 2015 at 7.00pm. Otley Street Community Nursery School, Otley Street, Skipton.

CDC Community News December 2014

235/15 **MINOR ITEMS OF BUSINESS & ITEMS TO GO ON AGENDA NEXT MONTH.**

The Parish Council agreed that Counc M Scarffe could get the Council strimmer and the lawnmower serviced.

Clerk to put Light near bridge at Bucklar Hill on agenda for next month

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2015 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL
INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM**

All members of the village are welcome to attend

Susan Harding-Hill
17.01.2015