

MINUTES (UNAPPROVED) OF THE BROUGHTON PARISH
MEETING 27.10.10

PRESENT:

John Horsman(Clerk); John Lund(Chmn); Jonathan Piercy(Vice-Chmn); Richard Lund(Treas); Bruce Watson; John Mills; John Sleightholme; Sue Sleightholme; Gill Woodhead; John Smurthwaite; Margaret Clark; Andy Bowden; Gerry Cooper; Ray Tindall; Pat Galtry; Pete Galtry; Mollie Tindall; Jean Atkinson; Tim Cluderay;

APOLOGIES:

Nigel & Margaret Watson; Keith & Maureen Williams; Moira & Rodger Slape; Richard & Mandy Prest; Will Lund; Anne Lund; Linda Richardson; Jane Blackburne-Maze; Peter Clark.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read, approved and signed as a true and correct record.

MATTERS ARISING:

The Clerk apologised that the Meeting was not taking place on the date suggested at the previous Meeting. It had been an oversight on his part. Gill Woodhead pointed out she had been advised by the solicitor for Ryedale District Council that Richard Lund could not take part in any discussions because he was not a resident of Broughton. JBH emphasised his minutes reflected the feeling of the previous Meeting which was that having a Treasurer unable to join in discussions would be a nonsense. AGW repeated that "it was a legality". Bruce Watson asked for the Meeting to be moved on. The Chairman concurred.

Gill Woodhead reported that she had started to collect material for the Broughton website. She had spoken to Jeff Paulin and John Lund and obtained some old photos from them. She would be interested in any photos, maps and especially the old Parish Minute Book which hadn't been seen for some years. She had used Massers to scan photos; the cost had been in the region of £3. There was still a need for the existing minutes going back to 1981 to be placed on the site. JBH said that all the minutes would be online by the next meeting (April 2011) and that he had access to a scanner.

REPORT FROM THE CLERK:

He had copies of the Ryedale Plan if anyone wished to borrow.

We had requests for financial assistance from Ryedale CAB and Marie Curie Nursing Service. We felt unable to help either.

He had details of a number of public meetings set up by NYCC to discuss the Budget and Council Tax.

He had details of NYCC wanting the views of the public on School Transport. Three areas to be covered:

- 1) Transport for children to attend a school because of a particular faith.
- 2) Transport for people aged 16-19 with special educational needs.
- 3) Transport to a school which is not the designated local school.

These areas were chosen because NYCC does not have a legal responsibility to provide transport in these cases.

Anyone wanting more details and the opportunity to comment should log on to;

<http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=2964>

JBH explained the problems associated with having the two new lights connected up (outside Manor Farm and top of Beech Crescent). We looked at the cost, not just of running the lights but of replacing broken ones; £300 for a new unit. One resident had suggested timers would help costs and the environment. We couldn't justify scrapping all our lights to fit units with timers, also, we or Tarmac would have to alter timer settings depending on time of year. Bruce Watson wondered about fixing street lights to houses up Main Street (we would only be able to use houses which were sited next to the footpath). The Parish would be responsible for buying, fitting and paying running costs but the householder would switch the light off last thing at night and back on in the morning, if necessary. We would make enquiries to see if any parishioners were interested.

There had been a problem with the sewers in late summer.

The main sewer had become blocked near to the pumping station at Swinton. It had been noticed because of the smell near to the Gatehouse and liquid seeping out of inspection covers. John Lund had contacted Yorkshire Water who cleared the blockage within 24 hours. Some 2 weeks later a build up of sewage was noticed in the system, affecting some houses in Manor Park, probably as a result of the original blockage. Fortunately, thanks to the efforts of Pete Galtry, armed with 30 metres of drainage rods, the system was eventually cleared. The residents of Manor Park should keep an eye on their inspection covers so that any problem can be detected early. If you do detect a problem please have a word with me before calling out any private contractor. There are people living in the village who have the skills and contacts to assist.

The Jubilee Tree, at the junction of Breedycroft Lane and the main road, had been condemned by a tree specialist and would have to be felled. The cost would be in the region of £450. JL felt that if we were going to

remove a tree, we should think about replacing it with at least one other tree. The problem was where to plant it/them.

PROVISION OF A SALT BIN AT THE JUNCTION OF BREEDYCROFT LANE AND MAIN STREET:

The Meeting decided to provide an extra salt bin at the junction of Breedycroft Lane and Main Street. NYCC would supply one for £85. We would keep it “topped up” from our supplies which we had purchased earlier in the year. Gill Woodhead reported that she had spoken to Ian Hamilton and he was happy for the bin to be placed on his land, opposite the junction. We would also provide shovels for all the bins.

JBH reminded the Meeting that we had our own salt spreader. Anyone could borrow it to help clear footpaths and roads. The spreader and salt were stored at John Lund’s, Manor Farm, Main Street.

PROVISION OF SPEED HUMPS IN MAIN STREET:

JBH had spoken to NYCC Highways before the Spending Review was announced. They had a limited amount of money and this went to roads with much more traffic and noted incidents. Providing 30 mph speed signs would cost between £2500 and £5000 because of the legal processes which had to be undertaken. The Meeting accepted that these were non-starters.

REPORT FROM THE TREASURER:

The Treasurer reported that the Parish had at its disposal £4060 and that Swinton Sports Hall still owed £4000. The Meeting agreed that we should request the Sports Hall to repay £1000/year until the loan is repaid.

TO DECIDE THE PRECEPT FOR 2011:

The Meeting agreed that the precept should be set at £2500.

TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM CHAIR OF SPAM:

Gill Woodhead reported that not much had happened recently. She was awaiting the next meeting of the Malton and Norton Strategy which, for some reason, had been postponed but should be held this December. She asked that JBH keep her informed so that she could attend.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

John Smurthwaite was concerned about the vandalised and abandoned telephone kiosk at the top of the street. JBH said he would contact BT in an attempt to have it removed.

Gill Woodhead thought that more publicity should be given to Parish Meetings by having posters put up on telegraph poles around the village. We discussed the merits of wind generated electricity.

It was reported that there would be a bonfire at Swinton Sports Hall on 6.11.10. and all were invited.

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the Meeting at 8.17pm