

**Minutes of the Business Meeting of Broughton Parish Meeting held
at Swinton Sports Hall on the 31st October 2013 at 7.00pm**

Parishioners present

John Lund (Chairman); Pete Galtry; Bruce Watson; Jonathan Piercy (Vice); Peter Clark; Eileen Clarke; John Horsman (Clerk).

Apologies

Rodger & Moira Slape, Jane & Peter Blackburne- Maze, Mandy Prest, Gill Woodhead, Sheila Watson, Anne Lund, William & Jill Lund, Emma & Thomas Lund, Margaret Clark, Claire Piercy, James Clarke.

The Minutes of the last Business Meeting held on 18th April 2013 were read, approved and signed.

Matters arising

JBH had written to Richard Marr on 22.4.13 expressing our concerns about the footpath alongside B1257. RM replied on 21.5.13, "I have no specific plans for any improvements to the path alongside the B1257.

My inspector will continue to monitor its condition to ensure it remains in a safe condition."

In view of comments in the Gazette & Herald from Lindsay Burr, JBH has written to her to see if she is able to help. He has included all correspondence with RM and some recent photos which he thinks show that it is not in a safe condition. The Meeting requested that JBH write to RM & LB to express our ongoing concerns over the state of the footpath. The Meeting felt that only a site meeting with RM would suffice.

We have planted the Jubilee Tree on the verge outside 21 Manor Park. We have acquired, positioned and started to fill the 12 planters at the southern edge of the village.

Potholes in Manor Park and northern end of Moor Lane have been fixed. Paul Jackson has written to thank us for our suggestion to site a new seat up Broughton Lane but he was unable to put us on the list because "Broughton Lane is a Site of Importance for Nature Conservation for its grassland flora."

JBH had written to NYCC regarding vehicles being used on the strip of land called Broughton Green Lane..

He has been contacted by the Public Rights of Way Officer for NYCC. The PRoW Officer explained that Broughton Green Lane was a designated public bridleway and

"no vehicles should use a public bridleway EXCEPT the landowner or anyone having permission from the landowner."

He used the opportunity to answer a query from 6 months ago,

"that any gate, gate post or stile on PRoWs were the responsibility of the landowner."

The village sign has been restored and refixed. We received all the funding necessary (about £850). I have written to thank RDC for their contribution.

Clerk's Report

A resident had asked about the tethering of horses on a public bridleway. JBH had contacted NYCC PRoW Officer who had replied, "It is acceptable to tether a horse on a bridleway provided that the landowner has given permission and that the tether and horse do not obstruct the right of way"

NYCC had written asking for opinions on the handling and recycling of household waste. To complete the questionnaire:

www.northyorks.gov.uk/hwrcconsultation

by 22.12.13

NYCC Fire & Rescue Service will no longer be sending out paper copies of their accounts. If you wish to read the Statement of Final Accounts it can be viewed at:

www.northyorksfire.gov.uk/about-us/financial-information

Ryedale District Council has received the Inspector's Report on the Local Plan Strategy. This can be viewed at:

<http://ldf.ryedale.gov.uk/examination>

To view the Local Plan itself then:

<http://extranet.ryedale.gov.uk/default.aspx?page7085>

The Howardian Hills annual report plus an opportunity to pass comment on the draft management plan 2014-2018 can be viewed at:

www.howardianhills.org.uk/11/ManagementPlan.html

Ryedale District Council has sent:

Details of Community Infrastructure Levy

<http://ldf.ryedale.gov.uk>

by 8.11.13

Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations

www.ryedale.gov.uk

by 30.11.13

Review of Licensing Policy

www.ryedale.gov.uk

by 30.12.13

JBH had written to RDC regarding the renovation of Dhekelia, Moor Lane questioning the use of timber to part clad the house. He has received an acknowledgment and is awaiting further news.

JBH read out a letter from the Chairman of RDC requesting support for her Charity Fund. She has decided to support Farndale Village Hall, Ryedale Folk Museum and Marie Curie Cancer Care. The Meeting felt unable to support this request. Instead we would send our usual £50 directly to Marie Curie Cancer Care. JBH would write to the Chairman explaining our actions.

We looked at the plans for a dwelling to be built on the land between Dhekelia and Westways on Moor Lane. Much discussion followed. JBH was asked to write to RDC voicing the observations and concerns of the Meeting. He informed those present that he would supply a copy of his letter by Sunday lunchtime (3.11.13) for their comments.

Financial statement

JBH went through the finances of the last six months. He explained that part of the reason for our healthy position was we still had nearly £600 to spend on our Broughton in Bloom Project. We would look towards acquiring more planters and seeking suggestions from residents re siting of same. He went through expenditure to date and felt that the precept we had set last year was correct.

Precept for 2014/2015

Following on from the previous discussion HBW proposed and PG seconded, that we maintain the precept at its current level of £1500. The Meeting concurred

Village Noticeboard

The Meeting agreed that there was an urgent need to replace the village noticeboard. JBH was asked to proceed, obtaining one about the same size. We discussed a change of site for the new board. Our thinking behind this was that residents in Dobson's Yard and Beech Crescent were probably missing out on information. JBH and JL would look into a new site having sought the necessary permissions before doing so.

Standing Orders

We decided that there was no need to amend Standing Orders at this time.

Chairman's Report

JL thanked his Officers for their work done this year. He also thanked those who had helped set up the existing planters and looked to others to come forward to help with the setting up and maintaining future displays. He felt that the village had looked well this summer. He thanked all for attending and contributing tonight; he thought there had been a most pleasant and positive atmosphere.

He was disappointed to report that he now had serious reservations about attempting to turn a slice of the Jubilee Tree into a seat. However, he stated that he would make an oak seat, present it to the Parish and site it near to the Gatehouse in memory of his mother and father.

Any Other Business

HBW reported on a serious blockage of the sewers in Manor Park about four weeks ago. It had taken a number of visits from workmen with cameras, mini diggers, two visits from a sewage “gulper” (to reduce the build up of sewage within the pipes leading from all homes in Manor Park) and high powered jetters before the blockage was eventually cleared. The estimate of the cost to Yorkshire Water was about £2000. The problem was caused by a build up of disposable nappies and baby wipes!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

JL was disappointed to report that the website was showing accounts for the Parish. He pointed out to the Meeting that Broughton’s finances were freely available to any one who turned up to a Meeting or anyone who asked of the Chairman or the Clerk but it had long been agreed (April 2004) that accounts/financial details would not be shown on the noticeboard. He now asked for this to include the website. The Meeting concurred.

The next meeting, a joint Business and Annual Meeting, would be held on Thurs. 17th April at 7pm at Swinton Sports Hall.
The Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

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Vice-Chairman	Jonathan Piercy, Park House, Moor Lane
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