MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

**BY VIDEO CONFERENCE 7PM 7 September 2020**

**PRESENT: Chairman** J. Metcalfe Cllr. J. Emsley

Cllr. C. Lis OBE Cllr. J. L. Brown

Cllr. S. Brash Cllr. M. Howson Cllr. A. Weller

**In attendance:** Alison Hack, Parish Clerk, 3 members of the public

**This meeting was recorded under file PCTapesSept20**

1. **Apologies for Absence -** Cllrs. G. Gaunt, J. Mckenzie, D. McGonnigal
2. **To Note any Declarations of Interest** and to record, consider and grant members’ requests for Disclosable Pecuniary Interest dispensations (Section 31 Localism Act 2011) in connection with items on this Agenda.

Cllr. Lis declared an interest in matters relating to staffing issues at the Community Centre (item 7f), Cllr. J. Metcalfe declared an interest in any matter relating to the Waterfalls Walk, Cllr. Howson declared an interest in item 7e).

1. **To confirm the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 3 August 2020.**  Cllr. Emsley proposed, Cllr. Metcalfe seconded and it was agreed to accept these Minutes as a true record with the minor amendment that Cllr. Gaunt requested i.e. under item 7e) the word ‘*complained*’ should be changed to ‘*reported*’.
2. **Police Report** – No police report had been received.
3. **ADJOURNMENT for questions/items for attention raised by members of the public**

**Traffic speeding on High Street –** This issue was raised by the members of the public present, who stated it was a particular problem now that tables were being put out on the pavement/road by nearby businesses. This was noted by the members and discussion followed on measures to utilise the Square to aid more local businesses. The proprietors of the Old Post Office present gave their thanks to the Parish Council for their support on allowing these businesses to extend outside. The proprietor of both businesses commented that vehicles frequently exceeded the speed limit up the High Street sometimes after hours. Cllr. Lis commented that pressure needs to be put on the police to tackle the speeding issue as he felt that vehicles were breaking the speed limit at the Community Centre car park and Back Gate, and he feared that there would be a serious accident. Cllr. Emsley commented that the Council had been informed that the area was getting 5 additional traffic cars from the end of August, which hopefully would improve the situation. There was also some discussion by the members about installing Vehicle Activated Speed signs to improve the situation. The Chairman

recommended that both members of the Council and public should take note of vehicles and report them to the police. Cllr. Emsley suggested closing High Street on bank holidays, but the Chairman had reservations although stated it could be considered by the members.

**6. PLANNING –**

*C. Lis made no contribution to this Agenda item*

**2020/21646/FUL** Change of use of part work space in a live/work unit to a self catering apartment

Lower Barn, Lowkber Lane, Cold Cotes, Clapham, Lancs LA2 8HZ (notice emailed out 20/8/20)

**Members supported this application.**

**2020/21693/LBC** Listed Building Consent Domestic Store to 2 bedroom dwelling house including single storey extension and raised terrace to rear

2 Bank Hall, Main Street Ingleton LA6 3HH

**Members supported this application.**

**2020/2170/TPO**T1 Sycamore Crown Lift – Land Adj. To 3 Moorgarth, Ingleton

**2020/21697/TPO** T1 Beech Crown Thin by 10% High Street Cottage, 23 High Street, Ingleton Carnforth LA6 3AD

**Members had no comments to make on these application.**

**7. Parish Council Maintenance Matters**

**a) Park/Toilets** – The Clerk reported that the new donation box for the car park public toilets on the ladies’ side had been broken into. Various security measures were discussed and it was agreed to pursue CCTV surveillance as suggested by Cllr. Howson. Further measures will be considered if this does not work.

**b) The Brow** – Cllr. JM raised the question– overhanging tree on the Rake and ivy growing along Main Street which it was agreed should be removed and the Clerk took a note.

**c) Highways –** Cllr. Weller commented on the congested parking near the Waterfalls Walk and elsewhere in the village. He suggested visitors could use the iCentre car park area and field on a temporary basis**.** The Chairman stated that as far as field parking is concerned you need dry weather. Discussion followed on the issue of Grascrete and the issue of parking. The Clerk had written to the YDPA planning department supporting the tarmacking of additional car park space. Cllr. Lis commented that they have submitted a planning application for additional car parking. Cllr. Howson asked about time restrictions on HGV traffic and Cllr. Emsley confirmed HGV quarry traffic was not allowed on the roads before 6am – Cllr. Lis commented on the recent email from Hansons which was now pursuing an earlier report of HGV traffic on Croft Road outside scheduled hours.

**d) Pump Track** – No report – Cllr. Lis commented that most people seemed to be wearing their helmets.

**e) Street Lighting** – Cllr. Gaunt reported the streetlight opposite Curlew Crafts was still on 24 hours a day. Clerk to report.

**f) Community Centre** - Cllr. Lis reported the Community Centre slowly but surely getting back to normal, one issue that there are still residents still nervous of venturing out, coffee morning and bingo session have taken place which have helped ease residents back into society and seemed to go well. Cllr. Emsley reported that the chemist was proposing to use the Community Centre on Saturday and Thursday afternoons for flu injections with social distancing. Cllr. Emsley has offered to warden the sessions, doses would be arriving mid September.

**g) Cold Cotes/Chapel le Dale** – No report

**8. To receive information and where applicable decide further action on the undernoted on-going issues**

**a) Village Action Plan** - to confirm holding of £10k grants for submission bid Cllr. JM seconded by JE Clerk to check out public sector loan process for borrowing as the Riverside project will require funding up front before reimbursement via the RDPE. Cllr. JM commented on the requirements for the grant application process and the Clerk gave an indication of the progress to date, she confirmed she had had no request from YDMT to pursue the matter of Common Land consent.

**b) B4RN to receive report** - Cllr. Howson reported the government voucher scheme has come to an end, but a new scheme is starting, the Rural Scheme £3500 voucher, but there has to be two businesses at the same location. This might help push things on for B4RN. Some discussion followed on the project, Cllr. Emsley commented that Croft Road had mostly signed up but had not as yet been connected, Cllr. Howson suggested that they were prioritizing businesses. Cllr. Lis stated another Community Leader was needed to coordinate the digging by volunteers.

**c) YDNPA Local Plan 2023-2040 to discuss response** – The Chairman admitted that he had not seen the information. Cllr. Lis explained some of the changes involved, in particular holiday homes and affordable homes will change in relative status for future planning. He believed that young families should be the priority, and this should be reflected in the Local Plan. We as a Parish Council recognise that we are suffering from an increase in demographic, closing schools and this trend needs to be reversed to give more emphasis to attract young families into the Yorkshire Dales. The Chairman commented that Ingleton has more young families, and Cllr. Lis confirmed that he has put this forward in the past, but pointed out there was also a demand for bungalow homes for older residents which would also help in freeing up larger housing for families.

**d) North Yorkshire Single Unitary Authority** – to discuss response – The Chairman asked for comments – Cllr. Emsley suggested that Ingleton is situated at the edge of the area, and would become literally marginalised under proposed changes. The Chairman would like to see an authority closer to our area than Northallerton is at present. Cllr. Lis stated we will not be allowed to remain the same but the option from District Council is going along with an east west split, Harrogate, Richmondshire and Craven the other side comprising York, Northallerton and that side of the country. Cllr. Lis commented the local MPs are supporting the North Yorkshire one unitary option which is worrying, and the suggestion was that this would lead to more powers being devolved to the Parish Council. There was some discussion on whether this was desirable. The east-west option Cllr. Lis believed would be the better prospect and this was agreed to by the Chairman, as it would mean the local authority would be geographically closer. Cllr. Metcalfe proposed, Cllr. Emsley seconded (C. Lis abstained) and it was agreed the east-west split option should be supported by the Ingleton Parish Council.

**e) Allotments** – No issues.

**9. Reports from and questions to District, County and Parish Councillors -**  Cllr. Lis reported on green issues current with the District Council and the financial crisis that may delay action on these. He felt that progress is being made but recycling was only at 45% with some people even putting clothes in. Education leaflets are being planned to improve awareness of civic responsibility in this area. Cllr. Lis also commented that Neil Heseltine has been appointed as Chairman for the National Park who the Councillor felt was bringing youthful vigour and a lot of energy to the role.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE –** to action where appropriate-

**Emails**

5/8 Cllr. C. Les NYCC invitation to Online Seminar on Single Unitary Authority Proposal

19 August

11/8 YLCA Training E. Bulletin

17/8 NYCC on joining instructions for Online Seminar on 19 August

18/8 Cllr. R. Foster, CDC on Single Unitary Authority

<http://survey.sogosurvey.com/r/LGRconsult>

18/8 YLCA Planning Training via Webinar

18/8 Waste Management on additional bin for Thacking Lane

19/8 Highways England Notice of Roadworks A590 between M6 juntion 36 and Brettargh Holt Roundabout

21/8 Philip Johns Clerk to Garsdale re setting action group on motorbike noise

21/8 YLCA Training Programme

21/8 Cllr. C. Les NYCC report on online seminar Wednesday 19 August

24/8 Cllr. C. Lis on remote meetings

27/8 CDC Invitation to online seminar on single unitary authority 16 September 2020

1/9 NALC Recommended Pay Levels 2020/2021

1/9 Cllr. Gaunt tendering apologies, requiring amendment to Minutes, reporting

complaints received from residents regarding condition of benches, confirming street light opposite Curlew Crafts still on 24/7. Reports the Pump Track is well used and helmets worn.

7/9 Letter from resident requesting dropped kerb on left side of Enter Lane agree send to Highways

**a) Motorbike Nuisance** – Cllr. Emsley stated we should support the Clerk in Garsdale asking for support in forming an action group. He also proposed the Parish Council should write complaining on the issue to motorcycle news editor from the Parish Council. JM wheelies across the field trail bikes. Local residents are whole heartedly tired and stressed with the excessive noise from bikes every weekend, it is appreciated bikers enjoy speeding on the open road, but the excessive noise of some bikers engines is destroying peace of local residents and disturbing wildlife, unneccessary to have such noisy bikes, as well as probably illegal. It was agreed to write on this basis to the editor copying into other local parish councils (including Kirkby and Leck/Cowan Bridge), Sgt. Peter Stringer and Garsdale Parish Council. Cllr. Emsley agreed to join the action group on behalf of the Parish Council.

**b) Dropped Kerb request by Resident on Enter Lane** –It was agreed that the Parish Council would support a request for dropped kerb on Enter Lane and the Clerk was instructed to pass on the request to Highways.

**c) Benches** – Cllr. Glenis raised the condition of several benches which the Clerk will inspect and take appropriate action.

**d) Rural Mobility** - Rural Transport issue which excludes Craven with no consultation with the relevant parish councils in that area. Ingleton has some of the more remote locations the members could not understand why there had been no consultation and Ingleton had been excluded. It was felt a line had been drawn a line on a map including Hambleton and Richmond and excluding Ingleton. It was agreed that to write voicing the Councils’ objections to the exclusion of Ingleton from the scheme, with a copy to Cllr. D. Ireton.

**e) Litter Bins** – The Clerk reported that an additional wheelie bin had been provided by Craven District Council on Thacking Lane, and it was agreed to leave the situation as it is for the moment.

**Dropbox**

Resolutions Register

Councillor R. Foster, Craven District Council re North Yorkshires mega-council proposal

Guidance on PSPOs – Public Space Protection Orders

Guidance notes for Police and Local Authorities on Dog Control

Invitation to Online Seminar on Local Government Reorganisation 16 September (two pages)

LGR Press Release (two pages)

**11. Reports**

**a. Chairman** – No report

**b. Clerk** – VAS signs grant application – the Clerk had applied for a grant for two signs at £2500 each, which would be supplied by Highways and require their permission for siting. Cllr. Lis asked a question about when the Clerk salary would be reviewed and was informed this would be in January.

**c. Footpaths** – No report

**d. Swimming Pool Management Committee** – The Clerk reported on the recent break-in at the swimming pool, fortunately the carved figure that was stolen was recovered later from the river.

**e. Quarry Liaison Committee** – no meeting.

### 12. FINANCE –

**i) To authorise signing of orders of payment and online payments** - It was proposed by Cllr Metcalfe seconded by Cllr.Weller and agreed to make the following payments:

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| 49 | ins | dd | James Hallam | Insurance Premium | 3332.44 |  |
| 50 | aa | dd | A. Hack | Salary | 713.54 |  |
| 51 | ab | dd | A. Hack | Tel&Broadband | 51.17 |  |
| 52 | don | 220 | LaCascada | Cafe Barriers | 439.18 | chq |
| 53 | don | 219 | Bernies Of Ingleton | Cafe Barriers | 461.09 | chq |
| 54 | don | 220 | Old Post Office | Cafe Barriers | 429.67 | chq |
| 55 | sun | dd | CDC | Trade Waste Charges | 296.16 |  |
| 56 | S137 | dd | Eon | Floodlighting St. Marys | 23.14 | 1.10 |
| 57 | sls | dd | Eon | Street Light Supply | 347.23 | 57.87 |
| 58 | ab | dd | A. Hack | Zoom payment | 14.39 | 2.40 |
| 59 | gfl | dd | Horton Landscaping | Grass & Flowerbeds | 1072.20 | 178.70 |
| 60 | brep | 221 | M.Coggins | Repairs to Park Fencing | 253.50 | chq |
| 61 | tcl | dd | MHG Building Ctrs | Cleaning WCS | 1111.66 |  |

Community Centre

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| 66 | dd | CDC | Trade Waste Fee | 888.96 |  |
| 67 | dd | YPO | Cleaning/Stationery | 1084.14 | 180.69 |
| 68 | dd | S&M Fire Prevention | Annual Service | 240 | 40 |
| 69 | dd | Npower | Electricity Supply | 107.16 | 5.1 |
| 70 | dd | Corona Aug | Gas Supply | 178.64 | 8.51 |
| 71 | dd | A. Hack | Petty Cash | 98.11 |  |
| 72 | dd | M. Rogerson | Windows 3/8 | 40 |  |
| 73 | dd | IPC | Ins.Premium | 1110.81 |  |
| 79 | dd | YPO | Cleaning/Maintenance | 294.15 | 49.03 |
| 80 | dd | Waterplus | Water supply | 172.11 |  |
| 81 | dd | JT Atkinson | Glue &Padlock |  |  |
| 82 | dd | PK Roofing | Flat Roof Repairs | 273.6 | 45.6 |
| 83 | dd | Howsons | FireAlarm Service | 240 | 40 |
| 84 | dd | M.Rogerson | Windows inv. 25/8 | 40 |  |
| 85 | dd | Vodaphone110390 | Telephone | 32.4 | 5.4 |
| 86 | dd | Vodaphone126166 | Telephone | 32.4 | 5.4 |

Staff wages amount to £2901.47

**13.** Any other matters which the Chair decides are urgent in accordance with Section 100B (4) of the Local Government Act 1972

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 5 October 2020 at 7pm, at the Community Centre.