

Marrick Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 23rd March 2023

Present: Councillors Mr Barrie Braithwaite (Chairman), Mr Robert Bradford, Dr Martin Bryce, and Mr Mark Hodgson

Clerk: Miss Grace Bryant

Also Present: Mrs Pauline Cordner

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10 Minute Question and Answer Session

None

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1. Apologies for Absence: Keith Stones
2. Minutes: Resolved those minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 19th January, can be taken as read, approved & signed by the chairman as a correct and true record.
3. Declaration of the Existence & Nature of Interests: None
4. Matters Arising: None
5. Planning Matters:
 - 5.1 - Wooden shed for storage equipment at a field off School Lane which has already been erected has had conditional approval to be granted planning permissions.
 - 5.2 - Proposal from YDNPA for diversion of a footpath to remove two field gates & install two cattle grids across the track and to replace with two 3-metre-wide gates to the northern side of the track. The council was overall positive towards this request providing the gates met minimum requirements, so the road was accessible at all times by all types of vehicle.
6. Gritting
 - 6.1 - Reported that the grit heap at the top of Ellerholme Way was removed as it did not meet their criteria, but this is going to be chased.
 - 6.2 – Council was informed that it had been reported to a resident that Chapel Lane in Hurst was not ploughed as it is a private road. This is in fact incorrect and the clerk is going to contact highways on this matter.
7. Highways -
 - 7.1 - Received notification that works will be undertaken for five weekdays from Wednesday 22nd of March between 7.30am and 17.00pm to do works on the highway verge from Marrick to Reels Head.
 - 7.2 - Water running across Ellerholme Way has been inspected by the Highways Officer and the water is being caused by water leaving private land so the council state it is the responsibility of the landowner to resolve this. However due to the origin of this water not being from private land this is to be contested by the council.
 - 7.3 - Has been reported to Highways regarding the issues with the trees below High Stelling; west of the crossroads and in the dales beck and the highway officer has inspected the site and advised that whilst the trees don't pose an immediate hazard an order will be raised, and this work has now been completed
 - 7.4 - Parish Clerk has been in discussion with Marske and New Forrest Parish clerk regarding the road at Bushy Park and following on from this repair work has been undertaken and the road has been improved.

7.5 - Pot holes on Stelling Road and Crook Bank Lane have been reported.
7.6 - Notification of temporary road closures have been received and passed on to councillors.

8. Parish Land

8.1 - Letters have been written to the tenant of Low Buska and Nun Gate requesting they repair the boundaries back to their original state at the start of the agreement. This has been checked by the Chairman and whilst there has been some improvement the council are going to look into replacing parts of the fences as required.

8.1a – Going forward the Clerk is going to take photographs of the boundaries at the start of the tender as a reference point for any work that needs doing.

8.2 - Tenders for the parish land have been received and accepted.

9. Parish Charter Consultation

Parish Charter is to define the relationship between the new North Yorkshire Council and the Parish Sector and to set out a framework for developing joint principles so we can work effectively together. This new version is to be reviewed on an annual basis going forward but currently is for the initial creation. The Parish Council ran through the survey and responses are to be sent back to North Yorkshire Council.

10. Tree Preservation Order Request

A member of the Parish made a request that the Parish Council request a TPO to the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority. This request was discussed but it was deemed not to be necessary. Due to being in the National Park any felling of large trees requires a felling licence so this was agreed to be a suitable enough measure to monitor the trees.

11. Financial Officers/Clerk's Report: Bank balances - community account currently sitting at £4426.53 and land account £2506.98. From 4th May 2023 voters will need to show photo ID to vote at some elections: local elections, Police and Crime Commissioner elections, UK parliamentary by-elections; and recall petitions and then from October this will apply to General Elections. NALC has attended a parliamentary briefing regarding the Regeneration Bill to address the areas of concerns the NALC has with the bill to enable more support and empowerment of the local councils. We have received funds from Richmond Council for the Kings Coronation of £174 which are funds remaining from the Platinum Jubilee. The clerk has recently attended a presentation evening held by the Scott Trial Committee where a donation of £50 was received; authorisation was given to pay the institute this money. Also noted that Richmondshire District Council has announced that from the 1st of April we no longer need to separate glass from plastic and metals in the recycling.

12. Correspondence:

12.1 - YDNPA Update: YDNPA chair has written to the NYCC in support of the second home council tax premium; their 5 year survey results are in and has shown that 96% of people surveyed were satisfied with their visit to the National Park.

12.2 - Yorkshire and Humber Climate Commission survey was received from the YLCA which was circulated to councillors

12.3 - Directory has been provided from Richmond Council of all the Warm and Welcome Spaces in the area.

12.4 - Received NYC launch pack

12.5 - Communication pack received on 'Lets Talk - Climate Change'

12.6 - Order form received for any of the Good Councillor Guides

12.7 - Government Community Ownership Fund has opened for applications. Aimed at any councils who have assets which they believe they are at risk of being lost

12.8 - NALC Bulletins

12.9 - Received February to June YLCA training programmes

12.10- Received summary from the NALC Smaller Councils Committee Meeting

12.11 - Received invitation from Rotary club for the 'Best Kept Village' Event

12.12 - Civility and Respect Newsletter

12.13 - Flyer received for a Friendship Group for people effected by suicide, events are held the first Monday of each month 6-8pm at the Potting Shed in Northallerton

12.14 - Requested to display a poster for Rural Cost of living survey from YLCA

12.15 - UK Shared Prosperity Fund application has been opened, aimed to target local businesses

12.16 - Richmond Area Constituency Committee meeting notification received, and poster was put up in the noticeboards.

12.17 – Healthwatch North Yorkshire are looking into health services in the rural communities, there is a survey to fill out and focus group information

12.18 – Find a grant digital services has been launched by the Cabinet office to enable individuals and organisations to find & apply for government grants. This is FOC for at least the next 18months

12.19 – Association for Industrial Archaeology has released a fund for grants for restoration to a wide range of industrial heritage sites

12.20 – Government is proposing further changes to permitted development rights including local authorities can request external bodies undertake certain types of development on their behalf; support of temporary recreational campsites & change to current rights for solar equipment. Consultation closes on the 25th of April.

12.21 – Government has proposed registration requirements for all bird keepers to register their birds with the APHA, consultation closes 31st May. Current legislation is you have to only register if you have 50 or more.

12.22 – Notification was received from the Environment Agency regarding results of the latest water testing completed in the parish.

13. Any other Business: None

14. Date of next meeting: Thursday 18th May 2023 to be held following the Annual Meeting

Meeting closed at 21:12pm