

Marrick Parish Council
Report of Parish Council Meeting – Thursday 12th September 2024
Marrick Institute

Present: Councillors Mr Mark Hodgson (Chairman), Mr Keith Stones, Dr Martin Bryce, Mr Bob Bradford and Mr Frank Wilkenson

Clerk: Miss Grace Bryant

Also Present: Mrs Pauline Corder

10 Minute Question and Answer Session:

- Gritting by the bridge in Hurst has been notably reduced over the past few years, Clerk is to bring up along with other requests by Council for gritting

1. Apologies for Absence: None

2. Confirm Minutes from Previous Meeting: Resolved that minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 18th July 2024 can be taken as read, approved, and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

3. Declaration of Existence & Nature of Interests: None

4. Matters Arising: None.

5. Planning Matters:

5.1: The Lawful development certificate application for the caravan at The Old School, Slack Hills Road was appealed and the owners have put in 'Full planning permission for retention of static caravan as holiday accommodation, change of use of land to domestic use, associated with The Old School and holiday let. The parish council has sent in a reply as this was required by August 27th.

6. Gritting:

6.1 The grit to be used in our own grit bins has been approved by the council and it has been noted that an initial fill of the bins will cost £37.50/bin. The clerk is to confirm with the Council that we would request two bins on Ellerholme lane and we will pay for an initial fill of the bins. This will be reviewed each year.

6.2 The annual meeting to discuss the winter gritting policy happened on the 9th of August, Marrick Parish Council were missed off the invite so Maureene Wilson is to invite the Parish Council to a different upcoming meeting with Karl Battersby and Councillor Keane Duncan to explain our issue on gritting.

7. Highways

7.1 The clerk has spoken to and emailed the highways officer but is awaiting updates on the highways issues raised. Can confirm black and white merge marker posts on the corner near the telephone box in Marrick have been fitted; the man hole cover outside Barf Farm has been repaired and a few of the pot holes on Stelling Road have been marked for repair.

8. Website domain: It is being advised for Councils to move onto a '.gov.uk' domain to indicate to people that the organisation is part of the wider government. These domains are actively monitored by the cabinet office so have additional security, are deemed as more legitimate by the public and are recommended in the Council Practitioners Guide. The cost of this is £10/year + VAT and the domain name costs an

initial £100. Our current website hosting company is happy to move our website onto the '.gov.uk' domain however if we stick with them we are not able to gain the funding that is available of £100. Our current email address is clerk@marrickpc.org.uk , we would be able to change this to '.gov.uk' too but the process of doing this would require the current account to remain open so any emails can be forwarded to the new address until all correspondence is switched over. The council agreed to monitor the requirement to move onto a new domain and the clerk is to check this isn't going to be enforced in the future.

9. Roan Beck – Clerk has been in contact with NYC and they have stated that they have no role in watercourse pollution. A new case has been raised with the Environment Agency, so we are awaiting a response from them.

10. Financial Officers/Clerks Report: Community account is currently at £4964.31 and the land account is at £2766.98. The bank has requested a confirmation of the people in our organisation with regards to the Bank Mandate. On the 17th of July the King opened the 2024/25 Parliament and in his speech in particular he described the Planning and Infrastructure Bill to streamline the planning system. Also, with the new council there are multiple new positions for MPs; Steve Reed MP Secretary of State has recently addressed the NALC chair and stressed the importance of rural areas to the new government's agenda.

11. Correspondence:

11.1 Reminder that the YDNPA are hosting a C2C stakeholders meeting on Monday 16th September at 2pm at Grassington Town Hall.

11.2 YLCA Annual Review for 2023-24 was shared, with a new website for 7th October.

11.3 NYC are starting a new series of emails which are intended to improve engagement with the council. These will be from the Parish Liaison.

11.4 Ryedale Nature group are running a conference on restoring nature Friday 27th September from 9am-4pm at Kirby Misperton. This event is free to attend but must be booked prior to the day.

11.5 NYC would like to make everyone aware of their 'Warm and Well' project designed at reducing the number of cold homes and cold people in North Yorkshire, there is a range of support available to the Parish Council.

11.6 Department for Science, Innovation and Technology announced up to £800m government funding to modernise broadband infrastructure in rural areas. This is the start of the Government's renewed push to reach full gigabit coverage by 2030 to plug connectivity black holes across the country

11.7 Code of Conduct and Declarations of Interest training on teams on Friday 13th

11.8 New chair for the YDNPA – Derek Twine, former Chief Executive for the Scouts.

11.9 YLCA training for October 24 to March 25 is now available on their website.

11.10 Richmond and Northallerton Area Committee from NYC meeting will be held on Monday 16th September at 10am in the County Hall, Northallerton

12. Any other Business:

12.1 The recent Rally of cars through the village was discussed

13. Date of next meeting confirmed for 21st November 2024.

Meeting closed at 20.14.

Grace Bryant
Marrick Parish Clerk