

# Meeting held at Gingle Pot Farm, Marske

On 7<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7:00pm

Present	Parish Councillors	Mr Nigel Phillips (NP)
		Mr Peter Coates (PC)
		Mr Raymond Ridley (RR)
		Mr Martin Wallis (MW)
		Mr Eric Jarvis (EJ)
	Parish Clerk	Joanne Wallis (JW)

Cllr Phillips opened the meeting at 7.05pm

## Action

1 **Apologies** – None received

**2 Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018**

The minutes were read out for the Parish Council Meeting. No amendments were received. Cllr Phillips proposed and Cllr Coates seconded that the minutes were a true and correct record. Cllr Phillips and the Clerk signed the minutes.

### 3 Matters Arising

## Spending of Precept Money

- A replacement battery and a set of pads for the defibrillator have been purchased and fitted as they had reached the expiry.

Complete

An Emergency Contact card is in the process of been created. This card will be issued to every household in the parish and will include telephone numbers for all those who attended the defib training on the 4<sup>th</sup> Oct and were willing to help (if possible) in the event of an emergency. i.e. transporting the defibrillator to an incident at the request of emergency services. If anyone else has defib training and would be prepared to have their contact details added, please let the Clerk know.

JW

- The Wild Cherry Gem tree has been planted and fitted with a temporary guard. Quotes can now be obtained for an ornate tree guard.

PC

***The Parish council would appreciate any ideas and feedback so they can assess they are being effective with the precept spending.***

**Repair to cattle grid at Long Green** - Damage to the cattle grid at Long Green has not been repaired.

Further correspondence was sent in January 2019 from the Parish Clerk to Highways Department which included current photos of the Cattle Grid. No response has been received. This email will be resent and Sir Edward Millbank will be copied in.

JW

**Maintenance of the Notice Board** – The Notice board has been repaired and will be fixed back into place.

NP

**Green Lane Skelton to Helwith** – Email communication has been received from Mr Jonathan Brunton and Mr Oliver Leatham to Cllr Blackie regarding the continued use of 4x4 and motorbikes over the Green Lane. These vehicles are causing considerable damage to land adjacent to the green lane as they are unable to travel on the designated route as it is impassable at certain points.

The Highways department have indicated that necessary drainage and surfacing work to the northern end of the route could commence shortly. Patching with stone along the full length is also to be considered.

Notification of this imminent work has increased concern, that once the repairs are completed this will only increase the use of the green lane and the speed in which vehicles can travel.

The Parish Council welcome the resurfacing work and feel it should be extended the full length of the route. The potential for increased use and speed of vehicles could soon erode any work that The Highways perform. An email is to be sent to Highways to suggest a Temporary Closure to be enforced during the winter months (Nov-April), this could prolong the life of any repairs.

JW

**Cleaning of a gully along Skelton Lane** – Gullies were cleaned on the 24<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

Complete

**Highways Response to Various Matters** in blue text–

Request for a Brit bin or grit heaps along School Terrace

*Grit Bins/grit heap request for School Terrace - a grit heap assessment has been carried out at this location and unfortunately it does not meet the criteria for the provision of an Authority funded grit heap or bin.*

The Clerk then requested permission for the Parish Council to purchase a grit bin and received the following response:

*I regret that it would not be possible to licence the placement of a private grit bin within the limits of the Publicly Maintained Highway. If the Parish Council wished to see a bin placed in this manner we could however supply a new bin and then service it on a rechargeable basis. The cost for the bin would be £50 plus VAT and the cost for two fills with grit each year would be £ 75 plus VAT.*

Parish Councillors thought the charge of £75 (+£15 VAT) a year for 2 refills was not the best use of Parish Precept money.

Request for the Parish Council to purchase a dog waste bin and locate it near the end of Skelton Lane

*As it is noted that the local District Council would not service any bin placed at the location in question, I regret that we would be unable to licence the provision of a bin.*

Retrospective permission for the picnic bench

*I regret that we would also be unable to licence the provision of a picnic bench at the location described. We would have concern that if a vehicle went out of control descending the adjacent hill that the area of grass in question is the natural place where the vehicle would end up.*

Pot holes along School Terrace and road subsidence near Downholme

[Potholes along School Terrace](#)

The Highway Officer inspected this road and has updated the case notes to advise he did not identify any defects at current intervention levels. Unfortunately this means we are unable to consider carrying out any remedial works at this time.

No response received regarding subsidence near Downholme Bridge – clerk to follow this up.

JW

#### 4 **Financial update, spending since last meeting –**

Balance as of

01/11/18	£2356.65	
12/12/18	£34.74	Cardiac Science- Defib Pads
18/12/18	£85.00	Ravensworth Nurseries – Tree
21/01/19	£228.00	Cardiac Science – Defib Battery
Total Spend	£347.74	
Balance	£2008.91	

#### 5 **Parish Councillors Meetings –**

6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018 - Yorkshire Dales National Park Annual Forum – Cllr E Jarvis attended

Issues discussed for areas in the National Park:

- Improving wildlife diversity
- Water quality of rivers & streams
- Upgrade the Coast to Coast to National Trail status
- Farming rights of way, supporting wildlife and water quality
- Leaving the EU
- Creating/building 400 new dwellings

#### 6 **Correspondence to the Clerk**

Mrs B Harwood Mann – Email with concerns over cattle on the Public Footpath at Orgate – reply sent with advice from NYCC website & link.

Mrs L Wallis – Several emails regarding the grit bin for School Terrace. As Highways had refused permission queries were also raised regarding the precedent that the Parish Council had set by placing the picnic table, tree and tree guard that could potentially cause a hazard. As a result of this been brought to the Parish Councillors attention permission had not been obtained for the picnic table. This was immediately removed until Highways could be contacted. Permission has not been given so the picnic table will not be replaced.

Mrs R Tindale – email expressing her disappointment at the removal of the picnic bench.

Mr J Brunton – email to Cllr Blackie regarding the Green Lane

Mr O Leatham – email regarding the repair to the Green Lane. Also the repair to the bridle - path gate that leaves Orgate to the pasture land of Gingle Pot Farm.

Christmas Tree – Thanks received from Mrs V Simpson, Mrs J Wallis and Mrs A Simpson

## 7 Planning Permission

Full planning permission for Erection of Single Storey Wooden Shed, 3 x 3 m<sup>2</sup>, in garden of at 3 Clints, Marske, Richmond North Yorkshire DL11 7LX- Application was reviewed and no concerns or observations raised.

## 8 AOB

- Safety barrier at the Rake on the road from Marske to Helwith- The barrier was reported a numbers of years ago and Highways were going to perform a Safety Review. As no repairs have been completed an email will be sent to raise this issue again. JW
- Potential Air Pollution due to heather burning – Cllr Jarvis raised this as a potential health issue. It is the responsibility of Richmond District Council (RDC) to monitor air quality and produce an annual report. RDC only currently do this for towns and not rural areas. An email to be sent to RDC requesting the pollution levels to be monitored during the heather burning season. National Parks to be contacted to review their policies on heather burning. JW
- Obtain prices for solar lights to decorate trees in the village for Christmas 2019 JW
- Discussion and guidance for the clerk and councillors regarding the upcoming Parish Council elections and Annual General Meeting in May 2019. JW
- Investigate options for on-line banking for the Parish Council account.
- Investigate either repair or replacement of the waste bin near the telephone box. The current bin is not on a level base therefore tips over allowing the overflowing rubbish to fall out. JW

## 9 The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 7pm at Gingle Pot Farm, Marske.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 8:40pm.

..... Chairman

.....Clerk

Date .....