

## **UPPER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the meeting of UPPER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL held on Monday 12 April 1999 at 7.00pm in the Methodist Chapel Hall, Upper Poppleton, York.

### **PRESENT**

Councillors: Mrs N E Fowler (Chairman), Mr K Smith, Mrs J M Bushby, Mr N G M Fellows, Mrs E A Parker, Mr R Walker and Mrs R Watters.

Mr B J W Mackman (Clerk).

Two members of the public.

### **99.47 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors Mr A Peck, Mrs K Richardson and Mr G Moore (City of York)

### **99.48 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Accepted and signed as a true record.

### **99.49 MATTERS ARISING**

#### *99.49.1 Relocation of Street Light*

The Clerk reported the contents of a letter from the City of York Council Street Lighting Engineer regarding the relocation of a street light from the Community Centre drive entrance to the new bridge built between the bowling club and the tennis courts. The information in the letter did not correspond with the letter sent to the Council by the Clerk. The gist of the Council's letter was that, if the Parish Council paid £750 for the installation of a street light opposite 'Tressilian' in Main Street, the Council would pay for the light by the bridge. The Parish Councillors have never discussed the possibility of the installation of two lights in this part of Main Street. They required just the one by the bridge and that to be moved from the Community Centre drive entrance at no cost to the village. The Clerk was asked to send a suitable letter to the City of York Council conveying the wishes of the Parish Council.

#### *99.49.2 Pothole in Westfield Lane*

The Clerk reported that, despite a reminder to the City of York Council, the pothole in Westfield Lane remained untouched.

#### *99.49.3 Hodgson Lane/A59 junction*

The Clerk reported having sent a letter to the City of York Council in which he outlined the proposals agreed at the last Parish Council meeting. No reply had yet been received.

#### *99.49.4 Potholes in Lime Garth and Main Street*

The Clerk reported that the potholes in both Lime Garth and Main Street remained untouched.

#### *99.49.5 Directional Signs - Community Centre*

The Clerk reported having written to the City of York Council for advice about directional signs. As yet, no reply had been received.

#### *99.49.6 Moles in Chantry Green*

The Clerk reported that a local mole catcher had been engaged to remove moles from Chantry Green at a cost of £5.00 per mole. At the time of the meeting three moles had been caught and removed.

#### 99.49.7 *Building Preservation Order*

- (a) The Councillors agreed to defer a discussion about 'Listed Buildings' to the May meeting.
- (b) The Clerk was asked to advise the City of York Council to pass his details to the owner of 'Blairgowrie'.

#### 99.49.8 *Youth Club appointments*

The Clerk reported a conversation with Paul Herring of the City of York Council who had said that following the advertisement in the Yorkshire Evening Press three appointments of staff to help run the Youth Club had been made.

### **99.50 FINANCE**

#### 99.50.1 *Financial Report*

The Clerk presented the Councillors with a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the financial year ended on 31 March 1999. The report showed that the bank balances at the year end were:

Current Account	£206.99
High Interest Account	£3,869.01

#### 99.50.2 *Accounts to pay -*

Parish Clerk's salary and expenses	£567.93
YCLA 1999-2000 subscription	£231.00

#### 99.50.3 *Accounts paid*

Ryland Horticulture, pruning tees on the Green	£1145.62
Ken Falkingham, Green sign repair	£35.00
Northern Electric, bus shelter timer adjustment	£21.74
Wallis Business Services, toner for photocopier	£84.99
Poppleton Infant & Junior School, swimming pool cover	£417.00

### **99.51 PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT**

#### 99.51.1 *Plans pending (as per the weekly list posted on the All Saints Church Hall notice board)*

- (a) Ref: 97/02578/OUT Outline application for erection of buildings for B1, B2 and B8 use at Northminster Business Park, Northfield Lane.
- (b) Ref: 98/00673/OUT Erection of building at Northminster Business Park for Business and Storage & Distribution for Northminster Properties Ltd.
- (c) Ref: 98/01752/FUL Erection of pitched roof first floor extension to rear at York House, Hodgson Lane for Simon Morgan.
- (d) Ref: 98/01752/FUL (amended) Two storey pitched roof extension to rear, together with demolition of part of boundary wall and outbuildings (Retrospective) at York House, Hodgson Lane for Simon Morgan.
- (e) Ref: 97/00257/FUL Erection of dwelling at The Croft, Hodgson Lane for Mr S Morgan.
- (f) Ref: 98/02390/FUL Erection of two storey pitched roof side extension with dormers at Greenthwaite, Main Street for Mr B Britton.
- (g) Ref: 99/00179/REM Erection of pitched roof building for general industrial (Class B2) use at Northminster Business Park for Northminster Properties.
- (h) Ref: 98/02845/FUL Change of use of existing stables and paddock to form a fish farm including angling use at Nairobi Stables, Boroughbridge Road for Mr & Mrs R Wood.
- (i) Ref: 99/00491/FUL Erection of two storey pitched roof side extension at 31 Station Road for Mr & Mrs Cook.
- (j) Ref: 99/00458/FUL Alterations to front elevation at former Midland Bank, The Green for Ben Hudson & Peter Moody.
- (k) Ref: 99/00503/FUL Erection of pitched roof side extension to front and side of dwelling, also to garage to form double garage at 11 Bracken Hills for Mr J V Collings.

- (l) Ref: 99/00591/FUL Erection of first floor pitched roof side extension at 18 Longridge Drive for Mr T Theobold.
- (m) Ref: 99/00760/TCA Felling of Leylandii tree in a Conservation area at Copper Beech House, Hodgson Lane for Richard Cantrell.

#### *99.51.2 Plans accepted by the City of York Council*

- (a) Ref: 99/130/FUL Erection of replacement pitched roof at New Manor, The Green for Mr Thomas Peter
- (b) Ref: 99/00402/FUL Erection of single storey pitched roof rear extension with conservatory at Kingsland Bungalow, The Green for Mr & Mrs Acomb.

#### *99.51.3 Plans refused by the City of York Council*

- (a) Ref: 99/00371/FUL Erection of first floor pitched roof side extension and canopy to front at 15 Beech Grove for Mr K Falkingham.

#### *99.51.4 Planning Committee Comments*

- (a) The Clerk handed round the list of comments made by members of the Planning Committee on planning applications received. The Clerk was asked to send a copy of the comments list to Councillors who were absent from Parish Council meetings.
- (b) The Clerk read a letter from Parker Brothers. They had complained that they had not been notified of the development of a fish farm at Nairobi Stables. As next door neighbours to Nairobi they believed they should have been notified. The members of the Planning Committee agreed to ensure that they would inform next door neighbours on all future planning applications. The Clerk was asked to write to the Planning Department of the City of York Council to ask them if they would also ensure that on all future planning applications that neighbours be informed.

### **99.52 HIGHWAYS FOOTPATHS & LAMPPOSTS**

#### *99.52.1 Vandalism*

None reported.

#### *99.52.2 Lampposts*

No report.

### **99.53 POPPLETON COMMUNITY CENTRE VILLAGE TRUST**

#### *Report from Council Representative*

- (a) The Parish Council's representative, Councillor Smith, reported that floodlights were to be installed at the Tennis Courts. They would be controlled by a smart card system and would work from 8.00am until 10.00pm.
- (b) Councillor Smith was asked what was happening about removing the rubbish in the hedges round the Community Centre and replied that he would bring up the subject at the next Community Centre Committee meeting.

### **99.54 VILLAGE GREENS**

#### *99.54.1 Trees*

No report.

#### *99.54.2 Parking*

No report

#### *99.54.3 Signs*

Councillor Smith reported that some unauthorised signs that had appeared on the Green had been removed.

#### *99.54.4 Maintenance*

- (a) The problem with the Grass under the Maypole was deferred to the May meeting.
- (b) The Clerk was directed to write again to the Land Registry to ask if the registration of the Green had been completed and that the documents be returned.
- (c) The Clerk, having reported that the grass on the Green was to be cut on 27 May so that the surface would be in good condition for the May Bank Holiday, was directed to ask the City of York Council if they could cut the verges in both Hodgson Lane and Black Dykes Lane on the same day.

### **99.55 TURKEY FARM APPEAL**

Councillor Smith gave a brief verbal report of his attendance at the recent Public Enquiry about the proposed extension to Oaklands Turkey Farms at Moor Monkton. He submitted a written report which the Councillors agreed should be circulated amongst them.

### **99.56 CORRESPONDENCE**

*99.56.1 The following correspondence was read to the Councillors*

- a) A letter from Roger Partington complaining about the condition of the surface of the pathway leading from the junction of Main Street and Dikelands Lane, past the back of Bankside Close and up to where it joins the footpath from the Lord Nelson in Nether Poppleton. Mr Partington also pointed out the inconvenience of the barrier and the fact that the footpath is a dumping ground for grass cuttings. He asked that the Parish Councillors go and see the footpath. The Clerk advised the Councillors that he had written to the City of York Council to see if there was a record of ownership of the footpath and to ask that the Council cut the vegetation at the sides of the footpath. The Clerk was waiting for a reply.
- b) A letter from Royal Mail advising that, from Monday 28 June 1999, the sorting and preparation of mail for both Upper and Nether Poppleton will be transferred to York Delivery Office, 43 Leeman Road, York in order to introduce the most up to date and efficient sorting equipment available. A small improvement to delivery times is expected. Undeliverable items will still be available for collection from Upper Poppleton Post Office.
- c) A letter from the City of York Council advising the Councillors of a meeting to be held on 26 April 1999 on the subject of Millennium Festival funding.

*99.56.2 It was agreed that the correspondence received since the March Parish Council Meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors:*

- (a) North Yorkshire Police Authority - Annual Report
- (b) City of York Council Economic Bulletin, March 1999
- (c) City of York Council - Milestones Statement
- (d) YCLA - White Rose update etc
- (e) Rickard Reservoir - Advert
- (f) Beacon Millennium - Advert
- (g) Castle Howard - Advert
- (h) Martin House Newsletter
- (i) Residents Association of the Parishes in the Poppleton Ward - Newsletter 4
- (j) Residents Association of the Parishes in the Poppleton Ward. Minutes of AGM of 25 February 1999
- (k) City of York Council - York Crime Strategy Reduction booklet
- (l) City of York Neighbourhood Watch Association - Minutes of meeting of 8 March 1999
- (m) North Yorkshire Police Authority - Policing Plan 1999-2000
- (n) Bioscience York - invitation to symposium
- (o) A leaflet from the City of York Council giving details of meetings regarding the "Towards a Leisure Plan for York"

### **99.57 COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS**

*99.57.1 Councillor Walker*

Commented on the regularity of the bus service in Poppleton. He agreed to provide details of late and cancelled buses to the next meeting.

*99.57.2 Councillor Fellows*

Reported that there was a build up of weeds in the gutters in the roads in Poppleton. The Clerk was asked to write to the City of York Council to ask that the weeds be given an early treatment this year.

99.57.3 *Councillor Smith*

- (a) Reported seeing three "car engines off" signs by a railway crossing in Starbeck. It was agreed that this subject should be put on to the agenda for the May Parish Council meeting.
- (b) Reported that the Upper Poppleton polling cards contained: - the incorrect address for All Saints Church Hall; a map showing the polling station at All Saints Church; the incorrect labelling of the roads on the Green.

99.57.4 *Councillor Bushby*

Said that a future Parish Newsletter should mention that trees and hedges overhanging paths should be trimmed.

99.57.5 *Councillor Fowler*

- (a) Stated that the Councillors should prepare a new rota for tending to the War Memorial garden.
- (b) Said that this was her last Parish Council meeting, as she was not seeking re-election to the Parish Council. Councillor Smith said he would be sorry to see Councillor Fowler go and that she would be sorely missed.

**99.58 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

10 May 1999 at 7.30pm.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.14pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

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