

UPPER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE POPPLETON CENTRE, MAIN STREET, UPPER POPPLETON AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2019

PRESENT

Councillor Stuart Robson (Chairman)

Councillor Bob Binns

Councillor Kathie Brydson

Councillor Vivien Crabb

City Councillor Ian Gillies

Councillor Alan Farnsworth

Councillor Anne Hook

Six members of the public

Councillor David Johnson

Councillor Roper Langford

Mr James Mackman (Clerk)

Councillor John Pannell

19.021 - TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (NOT PREVIOUSLY DECLARED) ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None.

19.022 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

All Councillors being present there were no apologies.

19.023 - TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 JANUARY 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2019, having been circulated and read, were accepted and signed as a true record.

19.024 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None at this point.

19.025 - TO RECEIVE CITY COUNCILLORS' COMMENTS - for information only

City Councillor Ian Gillies reported that: -

- The white lines at the A59/A1237 roundabout have been repainted
- He is meeting with representatives of rail companies to discuss the possibility of changing the old coal yard by the station into a car park.
- There is a problem with parking outside the school at school start and finishing times.

19.026 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Councillors considered the planning application received since the January Parish Council meeting as listed below: -

Details of Planning Application	Comments
Ref: 18/02781/LBC - Internal and external works to the existing rear outbuilding into living accommodation including amending the internal layout, restoring existing windows and doors, rebuilding portions of the external wall, re-roofing with pantiles and new windows and doors both in the outbuilding and the original pigsty at Model	No objections

Farm, The Green.	
Ref: 18/02886/FUL – Erection of equestrian building including 6no. stables with store and tack rooms with associated courtyard and formation of outdoor manège with fencing and construction of new access road at Burlands Farm, Burlands Lane.	No objections
Ref: - 18/2919/FULM - Erection of 1 no. two-storey building (mixed use class B1, B8) and detached workshop with access and associated parking at land to the west of Redwood House, Northminster Business Park, Hackness Road.	<p>The Parish Council objects on the following planning grounds: -</p> <p>1) The site lies within the general extent of the Green Belt as set out by Policy Y10, Yorkshire and Humberside Plan, - Regional Spatial Strategy.</p> <p>See National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 89) the application constitutes inappropriate development according to section 9 of the framework in that it is harmful to the Green Belt and should therefore by definition not be permitted other than in very special circumstances. There are alternative brownfield sites available in and around the City and vacancies in existing Business Parks.</p> <p>The proposal conflicts with the essential characteristics of Green Belts (their openness and permanence) and with the purposes of including land within the Green Belt by resulting in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • encroachment of development into the countryside, • the sprawl, merging and coalescence of development • harm to the openness of the Green Belt, <p>The justifications for the proposal as presented do not clearly outweigh the resulting harm to the Green Belt and visual amenity and as such do not constitute the very special circumstances required to approve the application. The proposal is therefore contrary to section 9 of the NPPF and policy YH9 of the Yorkshire and Humberside plan.</p> <p>The proposal contravenes Green Belt and Infrastructure Policy 3 of the approved Neighbourhood Plan for Poppleton and the Green Belt policy in the draft City of York Local Plan currently under examination.</p>

	<p>2) The Site opens onto a narrow lane which in turn enters the A59 transport corridor at a congested point competing with two-way traffic on the A59, vehicles from the existing Business Park and the exodus of cars and buses from the Park and Ride facility .The number and size of vehicles attempting to enter and leave the proposed development would exceed capacity at this section of the A59 transport corridor causing increased congestion and delays at peak periods.</p> <p>3. There are six residential properties adjacent to the exit from the site and the proposed development would have considerable adverse impact on the quality of life for the residents.</p>
Ref: 19/00137/TCA – Fell conifer; prune Holm Oak tree in a Conservation Area at York House. Hodgson Lane.	No objections

(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

It was noted that the Local Planning Authority had approved the following applications:

- Ref: 18/00565/FULM – Extension to existing warehouse with associated parking, loading and access at Pavers Ltd, Catherine House, Northminster Business Park.
- Ref: 18/02827/FUL – Single-storey rear extension to house and single-storey rear extension to existing detached garage to form store area at Argyle House, Long Ridge Lane.
- Ref: 18/02930/TPO – Fell horse chestnut; reduce horse chestnut protected by Tree Preservation Order No; 1/1970 at 13 Bankside Close.

19.027 - FINANCE

(a) To receive a financial statement

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 11 February 2019. The report reflected the receipts and payments below. The bank balances at 11 February were: -

Current Account	£500.00
Business Money Manager Account	£11,208.81

(b) To note accounts for payment (net of VAT);

1984	The Tree Fella	Removing trees on the Green	£1,170.00
1985	Poppleton Community Trust	Room hire – January	£23.00
1986	James Mackman	Salary – February	£503.30
1987	HM Revenue & Customs	Income tax – February	£125.60
1988	James Mackman	Expenses (including car park bitumen)	£67.50

(c) To receive a report on income received

Three Parish Councils	Stationery contributions	£67.74
City of York Council	Double taxation grant	£2,162.30

(d) To consider a request for a grant for 2019-20 from Poppleton Under Fives (£2,050)

Two representatives from the Poppleton Under Fives addressed the Councillors on the running of the group and its finances. The Councillors then resolved to award a grant of £500 for the year 2019-20.

(e) To agree to release the £300 provided in the 2018-19 budget for the Poppleton Community Railway Nursery

This was agreed.

(f) To appoint an internal auditor

It was resolved to re-appoint Linda Cariss as the internal auditor.

The revised budget has been put on the Parish Council's website.

19.028 - TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE VILLAGE GREENS AND ALLOTMENTS

(a) Trees

- i. The five trees which the recent survey said should be felled have been removed.
- ii. It was reported that a large branch in another tree in Blairgowrie had dropped. The Clerk was deputed to contact the owner to ask her to deal with the problem. **(Action Clerk)**
- iii. It was also resolved to ask the City Council to look at the Blairgowrie trees growing over the footpath in Main Street to inspect the trees to ascertain if they are safe or in a dangerous condition. **(Action Clerk)**

(b) Events

None.

(c) Maintenance –

i. The removal of the island in the car park adjacent to the Lord Collingwood

It was noted that the removal of the tree in the car park had left an island which is difficult to see at night time. This is causing a problem for drivers. It was agreed that the island should be removed, and the area be made good with tarmac. The Clerk is to obtain quotations for the work. **(Action Clerk)**

It was also agreed that the island should have two cones put on it as soon as possible so that its presence is more obvious to drivers. **(Action Clerk)**

ii. The presence of a cable on the surface of the grass in front of Dene Holm

The Clerk reported that he had been informed that a cable lying on top of the grass in front of the wall of Dene Holm was a trip hazard and that he had reported this to the owner. Although the matter was in hand the Councillors agreed that the owner should be contacted again and asked to make sure that the cable is buried as soon as possible. **(Action Clerk)**

iii. It was noted that there is now a puddle at the front of the area at the side of the Old Forge Surgery. It was agreed that gravel be bought to fill the indentation with the aim of eliminating the puddle. **(Action Clerk)**

iv. It was reported that there are two depressions in the Green in front of the bungalows. It was agreed that topsoil be bought and used to level that part of the Green. **(Action Clerk)**

v. It was agreed to organise a working party for 10.00am on Saturday, 30th March to tidy up the car park adjacent to the Lord Collingwood. Councillors are to take brushes and shovels.

(d) Allotments

The Clerk reported that he had advised all the allotment holders of the 3% increase in rents from 1 April 2019.

(e) Guild Hut

No news on this subject.

19.029 – TO CONSIDER COUNCILLOR & CLERK TRAINING

It was agreed that the Parish Council would fund the Clerk's attendance at the SLCC Regional Conference in Harrogate on 31 July 2019.

19.030 – TO DISCUSS FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTERS

It was resolved that future Parish Council Newsletters be put on the Parish Council's website. A limited number would be printed and be made available at the Poppleton Library.

It was also resolved that the availability of a new Newsletter be advertised wherever possible i.e. on notice boards, in "Centrepiece", on agendas and on minutes.

It was also agreed that the Clerk should add all previously published Newsletters to the Parish Council's website taking into consideration the strictures of GDPR. **(Action Clerk)**

19.031 - TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO HIGHWAYS, FOOTPATHS, LAMPPOSTS & SIGNS

(a) To consider reports on vandalism

No reports.

(b) To consider the response from the York Civic Trust regarding the refurbishing of the pump in Station Road

It was reported that the YCT had written to say that one of the representatives would be contacting the Parish Council with the aim of taking the project forward.

(c) To consider a report on hedges from Councillor Langford

Councillor Langford spoke about the historic significance of ancient hedges in the village and the fact that some had been removed and others threatened with removal.

It was resolved that a working group be set up to consider the subject of hedges and School Lane and write a letter to be sent to the City Council. The draft letter is to be circulated for Councillor approval and the agreed letter is to be sent to the City Council. **(Action working group and Clerk)**

(d) To consider the status and extent of School Lane (formerly Parish Lane) and to make recommendations for further action if appropriate

See agenda item 19.031(c)

(e) To consider the illegal removal of a hedge on School Lane in 2018 and steps necessary to have it replanted

See agenda item 19.031(c)

(f) To receive other reports

None.

19.032 - TO RECEIVE COMMITTEES' REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

(a) Poppleton Community Trust

No report.

(b) Any other meeting

The Chairman reported on a YCLA meeting when he had the opportunity to meet with the MP, Julian Sturdy, to discuss York ring road problems.

19.033 - TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON VILLAGE POLICING

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had given each Councillor a schedule of incidents in Upper Poppleton reported to the police in January 2019. The schedule was noted.

19.034 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

19.034.01 - The Clerk referred to the following items of correspondence

- (a) Ainsty (2008) Internal Drainage Board - notice of laying rate document for notice boards
- (b) All Saints Church – thanks for grant response
- (c) Easy Aerobics Group – response to non-award of grant
- (d) Millennium Green Trust – thanks for grant response
- (e) Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire - Volunteer wanted for independent audit committee
- (f) YLCA - Yorkshire Day poster

19.034.02 - It was noted that the correspondence received since the January Parish Council meeting, as listed below, had been circulated to the Councillors

- (a) An email from a resident listing their concerns about the Green
- (b) CYC - Live Well York launch
- (c) Explore York Libraries & Archives - Yortime February 2019
- (d) YLCA - White Rose Update January 2019 and other papers
- (e) YLCA - Local Government Ethical Standards – review

19.035 – TO NOTE FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Date of Meeting	Meeting	Venue/ Time	Councillors Attending
19 Mar	Poppleton Community Trust Executive	Poppleton Centre/ 7.30pm	Brydson
18 Apr	PYAG	15 Bankside Close/ 8.00pm	Langford

19.036 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS

None.

19.037 - TO CONSIDER NEW ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- i. The drain cover by the entrance to the car park by the Lord Collingwood.
- ii. To discuss and prioritise the future requirements in relation to maintaining and improving Upper Poppleton by CYC.

19.038 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING AS MONDAY 11 MARCH 2019

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 11 March 2019 at 7.00pm.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35pm.

CHAIRMAN

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