

KIRKBY MALZEARD, LAVERTON AND DALLOWGILL PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

on Monday 24th January 2022 at 7:20pm for a prompt 7.30pm start at the Main Hall, Mechanics Institute, Kirkby Malzeard

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm. Present: Councillors Pippa Manson (Chair) Peter Saxon (vice chair) Geoffrey Berry, Jane Aksut, Fiona Robertshaw, Chris Floyd and Geoff Lobley along with District Cllr Nigel Simms and 12 members of the public.

MINUTES

1. Welcome. Apologies for absence from Councillors – approve reason why unable to take part. Consider as to how the meeting will be conducted under latest Government Covid-19 guidelines.

Apologies were received and approved from County Cllr Atkinson and the PC Clerk.

Mr. Fielder, a member of the public and an interested party in item 8e, notified the meeting of his intention to film and record the meeting.

2. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, Other Interests or Close Association

Cllr Floyd declared a pecuniary interest in item 8d, he left the room during this item. He also declared a pecuniary interest in item 8e, he has a dispensation dated 14th April 2021 in relation to this item

Cllr Aksut declared a pecuniary interest in item 8e, she has a dispensation dated 24th February 2020 in relation to this item

The Chair declared a pecuniary interest in item 8e, she has a dispensation dated 24th February 2020 in relation to this item. She also declared another interest in item 11a.

Cllr Robertshaw declared a pecuniary interest in item 8e, she has a dispensation dated 19th April 2021 in relation to this item.

Cllr Saxon declared a pecuniary interest in item 8e, he has a dispensation dated 1st March 2020 in relation to this item

3. Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th December 2021 The minutes, with amendments regarding Laverton Bridge, were approved as a true record and were signed as such by the Chair.

4. Correspondence – any urgent items will be raised by the Clerk for consideration and action.

- a) Residents in Laverton – concern over error in minutes of last Parish Council meeting re Laverton Bridge. The minutes were amended to confirm that Laverton Bridge pinfold wall has been rebuilt, but the damage to the bridge parapet has not yet been repaired.
- b) North Yorkshire Police – Localised police report. Noted
- c) Resident – Plans for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Celebration. Covered by item 13 of the agenda.

- d) Resident – Plans for the children’s play area. Covered by item 14 of the agenda
- e) YLCA – forward of invitation to take part in the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Beacons event. Covered by item 13 of the agenda.

5. Urgent updates from County and District Councillors if present.

- Nothing reported.

6. Planning – recent Applications made to Harrogate Borough Council where the Parish Council have not consulted:

None

7. Planning – notification of recent Decisions made by Harrogate Borough Council:

- a) 21/04771/FUL – North Close Farm, Kirkby Malzeard – Purpose built dry store next to farmhouse. Mawer. Permitted
- b) 1/04798/FUL – Castiles Farm, Grantley – Installation of a PVC membrane cover on an existing circular above ground slurry store – JH Nicholson & Partners. Permitted.

8. Planning - recent Applications made to Harrogate Borough Council. The Parish Council will provide a response on the following cases:

- a. 21/05379/COU – Ivy Bank Campsite, Galphay Road, Kirkby Malzeard – Change of use from agriculture to use for hired public access to exercise dogs. Concerns were raised over the potential number of dogs being exercised at any one time, and local resident objections over potential noise levels were noted. There was a majority decision for **Decision A – The Parish Council has no objections**
- b. 21/04864/FUL – Highside Timber, Ringbeck Road, Kirkby Malzeard – Proposed detached dwelling in association with long established joiner business. Highside Timber. **Decision A – The Parish Council has no objections**
- c. 21/05326/FUL – Ash Tree Farm, Ringbeck Road to Ash Tree Farm, Kirkby Malzeard – Demolition of summer house and replacement with new garden room. Sykes-Brown. **Decision A – The Parish Council has no objections, but commented that the existing public footpath through the property should be maintained**
- d. 21/05199/FUL – Old Vicarage, Belford Lane to Glebe Farm, Dallowgill – Conversion of outbuilding into annexe. Floyd. Cllr Floyd left the room during the discussion of this agenda item. **Decision A – The Parish Council has no objections**
- e. 21/04657/FUL – The Henry Jenkins Inn, Main Street, Kirkby Malzeard – Conversion of former Henry Jenkins public house with flat above to dwelling. Fielder. There was considerable discussion on this planning application, with members of the public speaking both for the development of housing, and against the loss of a community asset. At the time of the meeting, it was reported that there had been 57 comments logged on the planning portal, divided 29 in favour and 28 against; it was noted not all comments were from local residents. On a majority vote, the Parish Council agreed on **Decision C – The Parish Council does not object to or support the application but wishes to make comments or seek safeguards as set out below:**

This planning application was viewed by the Parish Council as separate from the issue of the community pub campaign.

The quality of the application is considered insufficient for a full application without sufficient safeguards to ensure that the conversion of the building will be in keeping with the village. In particular:

- There are no elevation drawings to show how the windows and doors will look. Photographs are supplied of the building as it is today, but the windows are boarded up so these do not give sufficient guidance on this.
- There are no site drawings, showing parking, driveways, and other site access points.
- The Parish Council is not satisfied that there is off street car parking available, as there are inconsistencies in the planning application documents. The application letter on page 6 states that the site has no vehicular access and that it may be possible to construct a vehicular access from Back Lane. However, the planning application form states under section 8 that no new vehicular access is required, and under section 9 that there are no current car parking spaces but that two spaces are proposed. The Parish Council is concerned about adding a new access onto Back Lane, and about on-street parking if no off-street parking is available.

Given that this planning application has divided the village, the Parish Council requests that Harrogate Borough Council consider this application in a public meeting of the planning committee, to ensure that all opinions are heard and considered.

9. Planning – Notification of an appeal made to the Secretary of State against Harrogate Borough Council’s refusal of planning permission

a) 21/03815/FUL – Agri Motors, Kirkby Moor Road, Kirkby Malzeard – Erection of single storey holiday cottage including demolition of existing workshop building. Blakeley. Noted. The Parish Council had no objection to the initial planning application.

10. Planning – Enforcement issues.

- a) No new enforcement issues were raised.
- b) There was no update on recent cases dealt with by Enforcement Office.

11. Local Organisation grants 2021-22

a. The application form was approved for circulation, with a deadline of 21st February. Applications will be considered at the next PC meeting.

Action: The Clerk to circulate the form to interested parties and advertise on website and notice boards

b) The request for funding towards the Mechanic’s Reading Room conversion was noted, and will be considered at the next meeting alongside other requests from 11a.

12. Asset of Community Value - the Queen's Head. Cllr Saxon confirmed that the ACV application has now been submitted

13. Queen's Platinum Jubilee –

a) It was agreed that it would be good to have celebrations in the Parish for this event and that coordination between village organisations was beneficial. There was some concern over whether Church Street will be open in time and the potential implications for any temporary street closures.

b) It was agreed that the Parish Council would call an open meeting in the next few weeks to bring interested parties together and agree a way forward.

Action: The Chair to arrange.

c) The invitation from Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons was noted. It was agreed that if there were to be a lit beacon in the Parish, then alongside the Greygarth monument was the logical place to put it.

Action: Cllr Floyd to check insurance liability issues and other practicalities and report back.

14. Children's Play Area.

a) Nothing of significance to report, other than damage to wet pour in item 14b below.

b) There is damage to the wetpour surface by the roundabout, causing a potential trip hazard. Cllr Saxon has investigated a localised repair which looks feasible, if expensive. Cllr Lobley agreed to look at the problem and options for repairs or temporary decommissioning of the roundabout.

Action: Cllr Saxon to talk to former Cllr Mountain about past repairs and options.

Action: Cllr Lobley to assess the damage and report back.

15. Village one way system

Cllr Berry gave an update on how to reduce traffic speed near the market cross. As a one-way system that had been under consideration would not slow traffic entering the village from Ripon, a mini roundabout was proposed as a better solution.

Action: Cllr Berry to raise this option with NYCC Highways

16. DTMS Task List

This topic was deferred to the next Parish Council meeting

17. Property Assets.

- Lamberts Quarry – The vegetation has been trimmed since the last meeting, but Cllrs felt more cutting back is needed
- Tree pruning – It is unclear how much of this has been done.

Action: Chair to visit Lambert's Quarry, Cllr Floyd to confirm with David Blakey the work needed and timeframes.

18. Highways issues.

a) Update on existing cases; no progress since the last meeting

b) Laverton Bridge. The damage to the parapet wall was re-reported to Highways

- c) Drain on Main Street. This has been reported to Highways
- d) New items. A local resident reported the slippery surface and poor condition of some of the pavements in Kirkby Malzeard, and the danger this posed to her, given her reliance on a wheeled walker. **Action The Chair to discuss with the resident and mark up the problems on a map to send to Highways**
- e) It was noted that the Parish Council has not yet seen the formal planning approval for the repairs to church wall (Application reference: 21/04781/LB and 21/04780/RG3).

Action: The Clerk will ask HBC about progress on this

19. Financial Items:

- a) The Bank statement showed a balance of £29,696.37
- b) Cash Book. Reconciliation with bank statement noted by Council. A £1,000 donation from Wensleydale Creamery was noted with thanks. This money will be allocated to village Christmas costs and future decorations.

Action: Thank you note to be sent to the company

- c) The Quarter 3 comparison to budget was noted, showing that expenditure year to date is below budget and that income is above budget.
- d) The following payments (including VAT where applicable) were approved.

Payee	Amount	Item Paid For
Beyond Digital	£48.00	Printing costs for the Christmas competition flyer
Cllr Aksut Reimbursement	£20.94	Christmas light batteries
DTMS	£30.60	Play area inspection
DTMS	£459.00	Caretaker duties

20. Any Other Business. Items not covered elsewhere on the Agenda can be raised by Councillors and Members of the Public for discussion and referral on to Agenda of next meeting.

- The Parish Council voiced its thanks to David Blakey for chopping up the Christmas trees
- An emergency resilience group meeting (proposed at the December meeting) will take place Thursday 24th February 7-9pm
- The future of a local field, owned by the Kirkby Malzeard Charitable Trust, and the idea of converting it into village allotments was raised. It was asked that the status of the Trust and its finances and the use of this field would be agenda items for the next meeting.

Action: Cllrs Berry and Lobley will prepare to report to the next meeting

21. Date of next ordinary meeting: It was agreed that **the next meeting will be held on Monday 28th February 2022 at 7.20pm** in the Main Hall, Mechanics Institute, Main Street, Kirkby Malzeard. Any items to go on the Agenda for the Council meeting should be submitted to the Clerk by 22nd February 2022 please.

Meeting ended at: 21:14

Dated 25/2/22

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