
Fountains Abbey Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 6th January 2020 at 7.30pm Studley Roger Village Hall

(2019 – 063) **Present** were Cllr Derrick Slater (Chairman), Cllr Jenny Atkinson, Cllr Vic Lawson and Cllr Charles Johnson.

(2019 – 064) Also present were David Taylor, Clerk, Cllr Margret Atkinson and 1 member of the public.

(2019 – 065) No **Apologies** were received, Cllr Micklefield did not attend.

(2019 – 066) No **Declarations of Interest** were received and so no Dispensations were required.

(2019 – 067) It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 7th October 2019, having been circulated for consideration beforehand were true and correct records. The Chairman signed them accordingly.

- a. Cllr Margaret Atkinson **reported** from North Yorkshire County Council that As we move into the winter season, we should be aware that the county has over 5,800miles of roadways and that last year 12,385 routes were treated by gritters and snowploughs. Eight new replacement gritters have been added to the NYCC fleet, making a total of 86, and there are 111 farm contractors, five road snowblowers and seven footpath snowblowers. NYCC has 55,000 tons of salt stocks in storage barns and 8,000 grit heaps and bins. The £7m winter maintenance budget will see 54% of the roads gritted in one of England's largest and in places most remote road networks.
- b. NYCC maintain 50,400 streetlights in North Yorkshire. These cost about £2.1million to power and £1.2million to maintain every year. So far 35,000 fixtures have been upgraded to more efficient LED equipment. These will cost about 40 per cent less to power. So far there is a saving of £800,000.00 and there is a projected an annual overall saving of about £1.285million on completion of the project to change all of the fixtures.

(2019 – 068) Cllr Margaret Atkinson **reported** on the following from Harrogate Borough

- a. Council that Further work on the District plan has been on hold until since the General Election.
- b. There is no official information to be reported regarding the sale of the old Council Buildings

(2019 – 069) The Clerk **reported** that he has been in touch with the person at Fountains Abbey who delivers defibrator training. He will organise a training session for February.

(2019 – 070) The Council **received** updates regarding the Parking Congestion and Speeding problems in Studley Roger.

- a. The traffic situation on boxing day and the holiday period in general was still congested and at times as bad as it has been in the past. This was in spite of National Trust staff telling the Clerk that they would be instructing visitors to the deer park to leave via St Mary's gate.
- b. It was noted that Justin Scully was effectively away from the estate now until mid April. In his absence there will be a person charge who is an existing General

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Manager for the National Trust. Her name is Gail Buzzard and she will make contact with the Parish Council in mid to late January.

- c. The Clerk shall make another appointment with Julian Smith MP for he and Derek Slater to seek advice from.
- d. It was noted that as and when white lines are ordered for the village they should start at the Pateley Bridge road and extend 50yards up Plumpton Lane, as well incorporating the latest plan from Gordon Milne.
- e. The Clerk is to seek a letter from the Fire Brigade, the Ambulance Service and the Police saying that the congestion situation is dangerous.
- f. No resolution was tabled regarding ordering white lines at this stage as it was agreed that this should be part of group of measures to be implemented at the same time. (residents parking scheme, white line scheme, car park in the Deer Park and one way system through the Deer Park)

(2019 – 071) The Council **received** Correspondence from Harrogate Borough Council concerning the Community Infrastructure Levy Modifications Consultation - this was **noted** and deemed for information only.

(2019 – 072) It was resolved that the Clerk shall write to NYCC Highways to request action regarding the accident location at Cliphorn on the Pateley Bridge road.

Financial Matters:

(2019 – 072) It was **resolved** to set the budget for the year 2020 - 2021 as the following:-

1. Clerk Salary	£ 1,572.00
2. PAYE	£ 84.00
3. StOFEX	£ 100.00
4. Stationary	£ 40.00
5. Insurance	£ 160.00
6. Payroll admin	£ 144.00
7. Annual Audit	£ 75.00
8. Room hire	£ 60.00
9. VH Windows	£ 1,200.00
10. Studley Roger traffic fighting fund	£ 1,000.00
	£ 4,435.00

1. Based on historical spending
2. Based on historical spending
3. Broadband, Telephone & Microsoft Office software
4. Based on historical spending
5. Based on historical costs
6. Uplifted but based on historical spending
7. Studley Roger Village Hall based on historical spending
8. Funds to replace a further window in the Village Hall before further damage to the building occurs.
9. Funds to provide resources to challenge partisan reports produced regarding the matter.

(2019 – 073) It was **resolved** to approve for payment the accounts listed on "Appendix A", below.

(2019 – 074) It was **resolved** to approve the bank reconciliation to 06.01.2020 as shown below at "Appendix B". This was signed by the Chairman accordingly.

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(2019 – 075) The meeting closed at 9.20pm

These minutes were recorded and prepared by the Clerk to the Parish Council, David Taylor.

Signed as a true record by Cllr Derrick Slater, Chairman

Date:

At the Regular Meeting of the Fountains Abbey Parish Council held on **????** it was resolved by unanimous vote to approve these Minutes, copies of which had been previously circulated to Members, as a true and correct record. These Minutes were then signed by the Chairman accordingly.

The signed Minutes are held in the Parish Council minute book at the Clerk's address, below, and can be viewed by prior appointment.

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When returning a standard form Parish Council Notification consultation decision there are four options that the Council can return. These are:-

Option A – The Parish Council has no objections.

Option B – The Parish Council objects on the planning grounds set out overleaf.

Option C – The Parish Council does not object to or support the application but wishes to make comments or seek safeguards set out overleaf.

Option D - The Parish Council supports the application.

Appendix "A" – Schedule of accounts approved for payment.

- i. Clerk's salary and PAYE
- ii. Standing office costs
- iii. Yorkshire Accountants Ripon – payroll services

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Appendix "B" –

Bank Reconciliation as at 06.01.2020 Including all payments (up to and over £100.00)

Nat West - 0000000061	£	883.83	
Nat West - 0000000073	£	856.13	
	£	1,739.96	£ 1,739.96
Less Accounts Outstanding			
See Schedule 1	£	-	
Sub Total			£ 1,739.96

Cash Book

1st July 2019

Nat West - 0000000061	£	855.69	
nat West - 0000000073	£	1,461.19	
Sub Total	£	2,316.88	£ 2,316.88

Add receipts

HBC 2nd 2019/20 Payment	£	-	
Interest	£	0.44	
Sub Total	£	0.44	0.44 £ 2,317.32

Subtract payments	£	577.36	£ 1,739.96
Subtract A/cs Outstanding (Schedule 1)	£	-	£ 1,736.96

Current State

£ 1,736.96

Schedule 1 £ -

Schedule 2 £ -

Schedule 3

DNTaylor	Salary	Dec-19	£	129.61
HMRC	PAYE	Dec-19	£	7.40
DNTaylor	StOFEX	Dec-19	£	5.47
Yorks Acc Ripon	Payroll	3 months	£	72.00
DNTaylor	StOFEX	Nov-19	£	16.41
DNTaylor (Error) *	StOFEX	Nov-19	£	13.15
HMRC	PAYE	Nov-19	£	7.40
DNTaylor	Salary	Nov-19	£	133.61
Mrs SJ Welsh	Audit	06.11.2019	£	50.00
DNTaylor	StOFEX	Oct-19	£	5.30
HMRC	PAYE	Oct-19	£	7.40
DNTaylor	Salary	Oct-19	£	129.61

£ 577.36

* To be reversed next quarter