



Acaster Malbis Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Acaster Malbis Parish Council, held on **Monday 12 September 2016** at **7:30pm** in the Acaster Malbis Memorial Hall.

Open Forum – Three members of the public attended the open forum.

Mr.T.Pumffrey was seeking further information regarding agenda item 7.5 – Proposal to prepare a village plan. He was advised that the matter was to be discussed but it was highly likely that the proposal would not be taken forward on the grounds of firstly, excessive cost and secondly, the City of York Council Local Plan is nearing completion and any village plan would likely be subsumed into the CoYC Plan. There are no planned developments of any substance proposed in Acaster Malbis. Mr/Pumffrey left the meeting at 7.35pm.

Mr.P.Burt and Mr.R.Nicholls raised an issue regarding a proposed redevelopment of a riverside mooring and a section of river bank on Cobblers Trod. The issue involved land only and the area concerned is not within the curtilage of any property having been sold separately as a mooring some 30 years ago. Ward Councillor Mr.J.Galvin offered to investigate the matter with City of York Planning Department and respond directly to the gentlemen concerned. Mr.Burt and Mr. Nicholls had left the open forum by 7.54pm. The Chairman therefore formally opened the Parish Council meeting at 7:55pm.

Present: Councillor W G Taylor (Chairman).

Councillors: L Frost, P Harlington, G Loney, J Smith and D Walker

Councillor: J C Galvin (City of York Council - Ward Member)

Mr M G Davies - (Clerk)

1. **To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence.**
Apologies with reason for absence from Cllr.Hawkins were received and noted.
2. **2.1 To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the council's code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.**
Councillor Harlington signed the register of interests in respect of agenda item 7.3 as he is a resident of Mill Garth Park. It was noted that Councillor Hawkins, had he been present, would also have been required to sign the register for the same reason.

2.2 To receive and consider any applications for dispensation.

There were none.

3. **To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11 July 2016, and the Planning Subcommittee meeting held on Monday 18 July 2016,** both previously circulated as a true and correct record. Acceptance was proposed by Cllr.Loney seconded by Cllr.Smith and carried unanimously. Both minutes were therefore signed by the chairman.
4. **To receive information on the following ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary.**
 - 4.1 **Invasive species.** – Update – Cllr D.Walker reported that he had been unable to contact the landowner to confirm the latest situation – the matter will be discussed again in October.
 - 4.2 **Report on the open public meeting to discuss flooding issues** held at The Ship Inn on Friday 09 September 2016. – Cllr D.Walker advised that the meeting had been postponed until 30 September and a report on this and on topics discussed at an Environment Agency seminar to be by attended Mrs.Pamela Walker the village EA volunteer flood warden on 24 September would be given at the next meeting.
5. **To consider the following planning applications(s):**
 - 5.1 There were no new applications.
6. **To receive the following planning decision(s) / update information:**
 - 6.1 **Reference 16/01564/FUL** – Mount Pleasant Caravan Park – decision awaited.
 - 6.2 **Reference 2016/0833/COU** - Land South of Airfield Back Lane Acaster Selby (Selby District) – decision awaited.
 - 6.3 **General update** on enforcement matters or potential breaches of conditions. Cllr Smith reported that she had spoken to the owner of Ainsty Ales, Manor Farm and received assurances that the business was fully aware of the need to seek variation of the terms of their planning consent before attempting to operate other than as a microbrewery or to operate outside the hours permitted in their planning approval reference 15/02620/FUL dated 18 March 2016.
7. **Matters requested by councillors or clerk.**
 - 7.1 **Overgrown hedgerows,** footpaths and dog waste complaints.
A number of hedgerows have now been cut and although a few problem ones remain the footpaths around the village are generally clear. The problem with dog waste either not being cleared up or bags of waste being left hanging from hedges or trees continues with Cobblers Trod and the footpath from Intake Lane to Stubb Wood past the lake being particularly bad. (See also Item 11 regarding installation of a new litter / dog waste bin at the slipway)
 - 7.2 **Model aircraft** noise nuisance. This problem is ongoing and is still being monitored. Noise complaints should, as usual, be raised by residents directly with City of York Council, Environmental Protection Unit.
 - 7.3 **Grant funding** application for £300 in respect of start-up costs for newly formed Mill Garth Park Residents Association (MGPR).
It was agreed in principle to make a grant under the Parish Council's powers under s137 of

the Local Government Act 1972 of £300 towards the costs of setting up this new organisation. The organisation will be of benefit to a substantial number of residents. Cllr.Smith suggested a detailed breakdown of how the amount claimed had been arrived at be requested. It was agreed that, subject to receipt of the necessary information together with confirmation that the organisation had been formally constituted and an appropriate bank account opened, the grant would be considered further and confirmed at the next meeting.

7.4 City of York Council – Local Plan – Preferred Sites Consultation.

This matter is ongoing.

7.5 Proposal to prepare a village plan.

A suggestion had been received that the Parish Council should consider the preparation of a village plan. It was agreed that as no large scale development of Acaster Malbis was proposed in the City of York Local Plan that the costs of a specific village plan would far outweigh any potential benefits.

7.5 Consideration of proposal to design and publish a Parish map.

The Clerk provided further information on this topic. The proposed provider has quoted a price of £250 for a village map based on creating a modified version of an existing Ordnance Survey map to which local places of interest can be added. The concept was agreed in principle but a number of questions regarding copyright and our rights to reproduce or reprint. The Clerk is to request further information.

8. Financial matters:

8.1. To approve or note the following amounts received or for payment:

03.09.16 – R005 - HSBC credit interest received £0.92 (received)

08.09.16 – FP018 – YLCA Clerk’s training course £115.00 (paid)

12.09.16 – FP016 – Clerk’s salary and premises expenses for quarter £572.46

12.09.16 – FP017 – Clerk’s expenses & telephone for quarter £46.78

12.09.16 – Cheque 00711 – Mr.V.Whistlecraft – Verge maintenance £30.00

8.2. To receive a bank balances and reconciliation report.

To avoid the need to read out strings of figures during meetings it was agreed that the Clerk will in future circulate this report prior to the meeting.

8.3 To receive a budget / actual financial comparison to 31 August 2016.

Cllr.Loney gave the usual monthly report indicating that in general the budget was proceeding on target.

Approval of the financial matters was unanimous.

9. To consider the following new Correspondence received and decide action where necessary:

Publications for circulation:

9.1 Clerks and Councils Direct – September 2016.

9.2 CPRE Field Work Magazine – Summer 2016.

9.3 CPRE – Countryside Voice – Summer 2016.

The above items were circulated.

10. To receive North Yorkshire Police local PCSO Crime reports.

No report had been received from our local PCSO.

11. **To consider matters raised with or by the Ward Member – Councillor J.C.Galvin.**
Councillor Galvin reported that an amount of ward funding was available. The waste bin at the entrance to the slipway is to be replaced with a two section combined litter and bagged dog waste bin. It is likely that the seats adjacent to the Pinfold and at the entrance to Lakeside will be refurbished. A number of fruit trees will also be available for planting on the relatively small number of available public spaces in the village.
12. **To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting.**
No new matters were raised.
13. **To confirm the date of the next meeting as Monday 10 October 2016**

Chairman Date