

AYSGARTH & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 22nd June 2023 At Aysgarth Institute at 7.30pm

Present: Parish Cllrs: John Dinsdale (Chair), Linda Cooper, Rob Cromey-Hawke, Margaret Jones, Chris Parker, Alison Sayer, Robert Walker, Sandra Wilman, David Wood

District Councillor: Cllr Yvonne Peacock

In Attendance: Mrs F Cartwright - Parish Council Clerk
Mrs P Pointon - Website Administrator/Press Release

Members of the public: 2

- 1. Consideration of Apologies for Absence** - Apologies were given and accepted from Parish Councillor Windle.
- 2. Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on** - The minutes of Meeting held on 25th May 2023 were approved as a true and correct record
- 3. Declaration of interest** - None
- 4. Matters arising from the last meeting**

Parking, Aysgarth

Aysgarth resident Steven Reynolds was welcomed to the meeting. He reported parking problems in the layby opposite Hamilton's Tea Rooms. People were parking without thought for others, spreading out and not using the space to its full capacity. The Parish Council agreed to contact Highways to ask if the layby could have bays marked out with white lines (including the area at the end) to maximise the use of space. **Action - Clerk to contact Area 1.**

Cllr Walker also raised the issue of occupants of the holiday let East Stonelea, Aysgarth parking on the village green outside the property. **Action - Clerk to write letter requesting that they cease parking on the village green.**

R/51/146 - Aysgarth Methodist Chapel, Chapel Lane, Aysgarth, DL8 3AE

Full planning permission for change of use of no more than 30% of the gross internal floor area to be used as accommodation for caretakers, artisans and exhibitors involved in the primary community use in the remainder of the property. This involves the change of use of elements of the building from class F1 to class C3 at Aysgarth Methodist Chapel. **Amended Information - Rebuffal Summary, Heritage Statement and Parking Plan submitted by Applicant on 20.06.23.**

The Parish Council had again been contacted by a number of residents expressing serious concerns. The Parish Council considered the Rebuffal Summary, Heritage Statement and Parking Plan. The Parish Council decided to reaffirm the **strong objection** submitted by the Parish Council on the 16.04.23 on the grounds of ongoing concerns regarding a religious building of historic importance being developed for residential use, car parking, access for residents to their properties & access for emergency vehicles and noise & disturbance.

5. Highways/Street Lights/Bins

Historic/Ongoing - Further updates were not available on the following matters:

- Bridge at Bishopdale
- Spickles Lane - Aysgarth & Burton-Cum-Walden
- Mill Lane, Aysgarth
- Dangerous Tree Thornton Rust Road
- Water/ice at Kelspring, Aysgarth Thornton Rust Road
- Solar Lights nr Doctors Surgery, Aysgarth

From 25.05.23 Meeting:

- Pot hole at side of Chapel in Aysgarth - repaired
- Pot hole in the dip at Low Gill, Aysgarth to Thornton Rust Road - repaired
- Sign needed on Low Green Lane, Thoralby re speeding bikes dangerous for horse riders – no response had been received from Area 1 Highways

Action - The Clerk was asked to report the following matters to Highways:

- A car has been damaged at the top of Mill Lane, Aysgarth. Clerk to chase up previously agreed works.
- The Parish Council queried whether Area 1 were planning to come back to Church Bank, Aysgarth, as although some works had taken place the road was still in a poor condition.

Bins, Thoralby & Aysgarth - Cllr Cooper reported that Thoralby village were still waiting for the bin which had been ordered over a year ago (and chased by the Clerk). Cllr Walker reported that Aysgarth could benefit from an additional bin suitable for dog waste to be situated near the garage in Aysgarth. The clerk advised that the Parish Council should wait until the year end out turn of the accounts before ordering an additional bin for Aysgarth. Cllr Peacock said that she would be able to help with the cost of both bins.

6. Financial Matters

6.1 The council resolved to authorise the following payments:

Date/Inv #/Chq	Payee	£	Description
101062	F Cartwright	225.96	Clerk Pay - June 23
101063	F Cartwright	20.99	Clerk Expenses - June 23
101064	F Cartwright	225.96	Clerk Pay - July 23
101065	F Cartwright	10.00	Clerk Expenses - July 23
101066	F Cartwright	225.96	Clerk Pay - August 23
101067	F Cartwright	10.00	Clerk Expenses - August 23
Total		£718.87	

Plus Invoice from Jo Reynolds for £50 re internal audit fee 22/23 and Invoice from WBW for £204.00 re Thoralby Moss which were received after the agenda was issued were also approved for payment.

6.2 Income Received since the 25.05.23 Meeting:

Date	Remitter/Ref	£	Description
25.05.23	NYC	800.00	Defibrillator Grant

25.05.23	NYC	261.75	UDAP Rock Garden Electrics Grant
31.05.23	Thoralby Village Hall	69.56	Kings Coronation Mugs (Thoralby)
05.06.23	Gallivan Thornton	5.00	Peppercorn payment
06.06.23	Yorkshire Wildlife Trust	10.00	Land Let Seata Quarry, Aysgarth
08.06.23	J Dinsdale	143.17	Rock Garden Donations

Payments would be received shortly for the Let of Hawe Lane, Thoralby and the Kings Coronation Mug contributions from Aysgarth Institute and Thornton Rust Village Hall.

6.3 VAT Reclaim submitted £1,164.65 01.04.22 - 31.03.23 (Circulated)

7. AGAR/Accounts for 2022/23 (Circulated)

B.1. Annual Internal Audit Report 2022/23

The Annual Internal Audit Report prepared by Jo Reynolds was noted. All the accounts were in order.

B.2. Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2022/23

The Statements from Section 1 of the External Audit Form were confirmed and it was resolved as a true and correct record. Section 1 was then signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.

B.2.i. Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2022/23

The Accounting Statement in Section 2 was considered, and it was resolved as a true and correct record. Section 2 was then signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.

B.3. Presentation of the Accounts for the Year 2022/23

The accounts were presented to the council for the year. The accounts were considered and approved by the council.

B.4. Certificate of Exemption - AGAR 2022/23 Part 2

The Certificate of Exemption was approved by the council. The form was signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.
Action - Clerk to e mail Certificate to PKFLITTLEJOHN LLP by close date of 30.06.23 and arrange for appropriate documents to be uploaded to the Parish Council website.

8. Planning - To consider the following Planning Applications:

New Applications

R/59/41B - Full planning permission for new earth banked slurry lagoon at Manor Farm, Thornton Rust, Aysgarth, DL8 3AN - **The Parish Council agreed to support the application. The Parish Council feel that a Slurry Lagoon would reduce traffic/improve safety through the village of Thornton Rust and will also support the local economy.**

The previously considered planning applications are showing on the YDNPA Citizens Portal as:

Approved Conditionally

Withdrawn/Final Disposal

Under Consideration

R/59/50C at Hardbanks Barn, Thornton Rust, DL8 3AS (**Reg date 20.04.20**)

R/51/54M at Birkbeck House, Aysgarth, DL8 35R (**Reg date 30.11.20**)

R/53/33 - Full planning permission for conversion of barn to local occupancy dwelling/holiday accommodation, together with installation of package treatment plant at Barn to south-east of B6160, Kidstones Farm, Bishopdale, DL8 3TQ

R/53/21D - Full planning permission for conversion of barn to local occupancy dwelling/holiday accommodation with associated domestic curtilage and parking, and installation of septic tank at Barn south of Kidstones Farmhouse, Kidstones Farm, Kidstones, Bishopdale, BD23 3TG

R/53/35 - Full planning permission for conversion of barn to local occupancy dwelling/holiday accommodation at Barn to West of Kidstones Farmhouse, Bishopdale, DL8 3TQ

R/51/25L - Major Planning Application - Full planning permission for 15 holiday lodges and facilities, alongside refurbishment of and extension to existing hotel at Aysgarth Falls Hotel, Aysgarth, DL8 3SR

R/51/146 - Full planning permission for change of use of no more than 30% of the gross internal floor area to be used as accommodation for caretakers, artisans and exhibitors involved in the primary community use in the remainder of the property. This involves the change of use of elements of the building from class F1 to class C3 at Aysgarth Methodist Chapel, Chapel Lane, Aysgarth, DL8 3AE.

R/58/49A - Full planning permission for change of use from agricultural barn to short term holiday let, including rebuilding of lean-to in local stone; installation of ground and roof mounted solar PV panels, package sewage treatment plant, borehole and subterranean LPG tank at Marion's Barn, Westfield Lane, Thoralby

9. Thoralby Moss and Thornton Mire (*Standing Item*)

- **Thoralby Moss Legal matters** - Work is ongoing, no update was available
- Cllr Cooper reported that at the Annual Thoralby Parish meeting Mr Fawcett had said that the fencing on Thoralby Moss is in good condition. A local farmer has since reported that it is in need of repairing.
Action - Cllr Sayer offered to obtain some photos.

10. Edwardian Rock Garden, Aysgarth (*Standing Item*)

Cllr Dinsdale reported that the water has not been switched on yet until the additional pointing work has been carried out.

11. Satellite Communications

Jason Cartwright, Aysgarth resident was welcomed to the meeting. Jason gave the meeting a demonstration of the satellite communications equipment. It was agreed that Cllr Cromey-Hawke and Jason would meet up to test the equipment at Thornton Rust and Aysgarth prior to distributing to the other Parishes.

The Parish Council thanked Jason and Cllr Cromey-Hawke.

12. Correspondence (Circulated) E mail dated:

The Parish Council considered the correspondence received and had no comment to make.

- 22.05.23 from NYC - UDAP Grant reduction for Electric Works at Rock Garden
- 22.05.23 from Solicitor - Commencing work
- 22.05.23 from NYC - North Yorkshire Community Awards
- 22.05.23 from NYC - Tourism Strategy for North Yorkshire
- 23.05.23 from NYC - Let's Talk Transport
- 23.05.23 from NYC - Remittance Advice for £800 Defibrillator Grant - The Clerk had sent a note of thanks

- 24.05.23 from WBW - Response to Clerk's e mail re remittance advice for £2,446.74 received 01.12.22 Copy has been requested from RPA
- 24.05.23 from YALC - Remote Meeting with Assistant Chief Constable Scott Bisset on 12.07.23
- 25.05.23 from Joe Rushbrook NYC - Community Satellite Telephone Numbers
- 31.05.23 from NY Police - Request for Parish Council meeting dates
- 06.06.23 from Solicitor - Query re Thoralby Moss
- 06.06.23 from NYC - Agenda for Richmond (Yorks) Area Constituency Committee meeting on 12.06.23

13. Any Other Business

Triangle of Village Green, Aysgarth - The Clerk reported that she had been approached by residents who live near to the triangle near the Chapel in Aysgarth. They asked if a 'no parking' sign or to have the area neatly roped off would be possible to deter people from parking on the village green. Cllrs Dinsdale and Cromey-Hawke suggested recycling some posts from work carried out in Thornton Rust which was agreed by the Parish Council.

Overgrown Lane, Thoralby - Cllr Cooper reported that there are two lanes which are overgrown. A Thoralby resident had kindly volunteered to cut them back. The Parish Council agreed to cover nominal costs from the Thoralby Moss bank account.

Rock Garden Donations, Aysgarth - Cllr Cromey-Hawke said that he would look into options for taking card payments at the Rock Garden.

Date of next meeting - Thursday 7th September 2023 at 7.30pm at Aysgarth Institute.

Meeting closed 9.20pm