

# AYSGARTH & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 21st November 2024 At Aysgarth Institute at 7.30pm

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

**District Cllr** - Cllr Peacock

**In Attendance:** Mrs F Cartwright - Parish Council Clerk

**Members of the public:** 0

1. **Consideration of Apologies for Absence** - Apologies were received for Cllr Margaret Jones
2. **Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on** - The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd October 2024 were approved as a true and correct record

### 3. Declaration of interest

Cllr Dinsdale declared an interest in item 7 - R/53/27J & R/58/65G

Cllr Parker declared an interest in item 7 - R/57/6Z

Cllr Cooper declared an interest in item 7 - R/57/6Z

Cllr Sayer declared an interest in item 7 - R/53/24H

### 4. Matters arising from the last meeting - none

### 5. Highways/Street Lights/Bins

#### Matters From 03.10.24 Meeting

The Clerk advised that no response had been received from Area 1 Highways on the following matters:

- 'Dead end' or 'Road not accessible' sign needed at Holme Lane, Goose Lane, Thoraby
- Hedges need trimming from top of Dyke Hollins Lane, Aysgarth down to Thoraby village

#### **New Matters from 21.11.24 Meeting** - Clerk to contact Highways / Northern Powergrid as appropriate

- **Historic issue - Kelspring, Aysgarth to Thornton Rust Rd** - The Clerk had not received a response from Area 1 Highways from the chaser e mail dated 28.10.24. **Action - Clerk to resend to Cllr Peacock and she would endeavour to expedite the requested site meeting.**
- **B/fwd Item 8 Correspondence received from Northern Powergrid (NP) re Network Improvement Proposal - Thornton Rust DI7844** - Cllr Cromey-Hawke expressed concerns about underground drains, etc. and felt that the correspondence did not clearly state how NP were proposing to carry the works out. Further information was required. **Action - Clerk to respond to offer of site meeting cc Cllrs Dinsdale, Cromey-Hawke and Windle who would like to attend.**
- **Pothole, Aysgarth** - Cllr Windle praised Area 1 Highways for repairing a pot hole near the layby in the middle of village swiftly after he had reported it via the Portal.
- **Water in Thoraby** - Water has been running across the road near Townhead Cottage at the bottom of Humphry Hill for some time. Workmen have come out, carried out digging but it continues to be a problem. **Action - Clerk to report to Highways and ask them to contact Yorkshire Water.**

## 6. Financial Matters

### 6.1 The council resolved to authorise the following payments:

Date/Inv #/Chq	Payee	£	Description
101098	F Cartwright	181.06	Clerk Pay - Nov 24
101099	F Cartwright	10.00	Clerk Expenses - Nov 24
101100	F Cartwright	181.06	Clerk Pay - Dec 24
101101	F Cartwright	10.00	Clerk Expenses - Dec 24
JJ1043	WBW	144.00	BPS Balance Invoice (Thoralby Moss)
JJ0950	WBW	222.00	Stewardship 2024 (Thoralby Moss)
-	Business Stream	16.68	Rock Garden Water 28.07.24 - 28.10.24
<b>Total</b>		<b>£767.80</b>	

### 6.2 Income Received since the 03.10.24 Meeting:

Date	Remitter/Ref	£	Description
30.09.24	NYC	5,750.00	Precept Instalment 2
30.09.24	RPA	1,543.28	Delinked Payment 2024 Thoralby Moss
02.10.24	J Dinsdale	81.58	Rock Garden Donations

### 6.3 Clerk Annual Pay Review (YLCA - National Joint Pay Scales Circulated)

The Parish Council agreed to increase the Clerk's pay from £15.48 to £16.10 per hour. The Clerk was happy for this to be effective from 01.04.25 with no need to back date to 01.04.24. **Action - Clerk to advise external payroll bureau.**

## 7. Planning - To consider the following Planning Applications:

### Correspondence received after Agenda for 21.11.24 had been circulated

**R/53/27J** - Full planning permission for the erection of a 3-bedroom rural workers dwelling at Kidstones Farm, Bishopdale, Leyburn, DL8 3TG 3TG (**Letter received after 21.11.24 Agenda issued from YDNPA stating the application will be considered at 26.11.24 Planning Committee meeting**)

Cllr Sayer said that she will be attending the Planning Committee meeting (non-speaking) in a personal capacity.

The Parish Council had previously voted to support the application and decided not to send a Parish Council representative to the Planning Committee Meeting. Alison Sayer would not be representing the Parish Council at the meeting.

### New Applications

**R/57/14C/LB** - Listed building consent for internal and external alterations, including replacement of windows at Edward Wilkinson House (formerly The Cottage), Newbiggin, Bishopdale, DL8 3TD. **The Parish Council had no comment to make.**

**R/51/22K** - Full planning permission for change of use of Guest House and annexe to form a single Principal Residency dwelling with residential annexe at Stow House, Aysgarth, DL8 3SR. **The Parish Council had no comment to make.**

**R/57/57** - Full planning permission for conversion of barn to create a two-bedroom residential dwelling for local occupancy or holiday let and installation of a package sewage treatment plant at Barn adjoining Hargarth Cottage, Newbiggin, DL8 3TD. **The Parish Council had no comment to make.**

**R/59/35L/LB** - Listed building consent for replacement of 8no. sliding sash windows to front elevation with Heritage uPVC sliding sash windows to match existing; replacement of 1no. fixed light staircase window to rear elevation with Heritage uPVC window and replacement of timber door with composite door at Manor House Farm, Thornton Rust, DL8 3AN. **The Parish Council had no comment to make.**

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

#### **Planning Committee 15.10.24**

**R/58/65G** - Full planning permission for erection of 1no rural workers dwelling, conversion of barn (Barn C) to short term holiday lets with associated garages (as approved under application reference numbers R/58/65C and R/58/65F), extension of existing site office (Barn F) to provide kitchen facilities (as approved under application reference numbers R/58/65C and R/58/65F), erection of 1no agricultural barn (Barn D) and provision of new internal site access road at Howesyke Farm, Bishopdale Lane, Bishopdale, DL8 3TG **(Discussed at Planning Committee on 15.10.24, awaiting decision to be published)**

#### **Approved Conditional/S106**

**R/57/45E** - Full planning permission for the installation of approximately 140m of 450mm twin wall HDPE pipe and the construction of a stone pipe intake (retrospective) at land adjacent to East Lane Farm Buildings, DL8 3TF **(Approved Conditional 15.10.24)**

**R/54/7W** - Full planning permission for use of land for siting of caravan for use as holiday park reception and office and site wide lighting plan (retrospective) at Aysgarth Lodge Holidays, Westholme Bank, Aysgarth, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 3SP **(Discussed at Planning Committee on 15.10.24 Approved conditional 25.10.24)**

**Refused** - None

**Withdrawn** - None

#### **Under Consideration**

**R/57/49A** - Full planning permission for proposed extension and conversion of holiday let to form 1no. local occupancy dwelling at Bishopdale Bunkhouse, Cross Lanes, Thoraby, DL8 3TB

**R/51/54** - Full planning permission for conversion of the outbuilding called "The Bothy" into a holiday let; repairs to the access road and kerbing; installation of Aco drainage channels to replace drainage ditches and the relaying of a stone flagged footpath at 4, St Joseph's Mews, Aysgarth, DL8 3SR

**R/51/54Q/LB** - Listed building consent for conversion of the outbuilding called "The Bothy" into a holiday let; repairs to the access road and kerbing; installation of Aco drainage channels to replace drainage ditches and the relaying of a stone flagged footpath at 4, St Joseph's Mews, Aysgarth, DL8 3SR

**R/57/6Z** - Appeal re Full planning permission for decked area with fencing, used for outdoor seating and tables in conjunction with the business (retrospective) at Street Head Inn, Newbiggin, DL8 3TE

**R/53/24H** - Full planning permission for conversion of barn with infill extension to create a games room, WC, laundry & drying room, plus an educational/social area at Ribba Hall, Bishopdale, DL8 3TG

#### **Other Planning Correspondence**

**09.10.24 e mail from YDNPA Planning Enforcement Officer - Thordale, Aysgarth** - The e mail received from the Planning Enforcement Officer was discussed. The e mail confirmed that the garage/shed at Thordale represents a breach of planning control in that it is unauthorised development. Due to YDNPA having finite resources YDNPA have decided not to take enforcement action or request that the owner submit an application to seek planning permission on this occasion.

## 8. Thoralby Moss and Thornton Mire (*Standing Item*)

The clerk read out the response e mail received from WBW on 16.10.24 re current grazing situation at Thoralby Moss. **Action - Clerk to respond to WBW asking that they write to Rural Payments Agency on behalf of the Parish Council.**

## 9. Edwardian Rock Garden, Aysgarth (*Standing Item*)

**Maintenance Work** - Cllr Dinsdale and Windle were awaiting better weather to try the dye and carry out maintenance work on the hinges on the wooden cupboard.

**Donations QR Code** - Cllr Cromey-Hawke will confirm to the Clerk when he has made a test donation, and Clerk will check that it has been received into the Parish Council bank account.

## 10. Correspondence (Circulated) E mail dated:

**The Parish Council considered the correspondence received and commented as indicated below in bold:**

- 30.09.24 from Area 1 Highways - Reminder of invitation to Parish Workshops
- 01.10.24 from NYC - Diary Dates for Parish Liaison Meetings in Oct & Nov 2024
- 01.10.24 from The Local Government Boundary Commission for England - Initial public consultation inviting proposals for new council divisions and division boundaries for NYC (Close date 09.12.24)
- 04.10.24 from Resilience and Emergencies at NYC - Access to sandbags during a flood incident
- 04.10.24 from NYC Parish Liaison - Request for information about local provision of services and activities
- 04.10.24 from YLCA - Agenda for Branch Meeting held at West Burton Village Hall on 24.10.24 at 7pm – **Cllr Windle attended and Speaker Presentations circulated**
- 04.10.24 from YDNPA - Invitation to Active Travel Conference on 17.10.24
- 08.10.24 from YDNPA - Change in process for weekly TPO and Conservation Area - Appl's & Decisions
- 09.10.24 from YDNPA Planning Enforcement Officer - Thordale, Aysgarth (Item 7)
- 16.10.24 from WBW - Response to PC e mail dated 30.09.24 re Grazing on Thoralby Moss (Item 8)
- 16.10.24 from NYC - Designation of a Neighbourhood Plan Forum
- 16.10.24 from NYC - Public Notice & Agenda Richmond (Yorks) Area Committee Meeting on 23.10.24
- 21.10.24 from NYC - Toolkit re latest 'Let's Talk' campaign - Let's Talk Money
- 25.10.24 from YLCA - National Joint Pay scales 2025 (Item 6)
- 29.10.24 from YDNPA - Agenda for Parish Forum Webinar on 06.11.24 at 7pm - **Cllr Windle joined the webinar but the sound quality was extremely poor so he had no option but to leave the meeting.**  
**Action - Clerk to feedback to YDNPA.**
- 29.10.24 from Area 1 Highways - Parish Portal will cease on 09.12.24. New Portal account from 11.12.24
- 30.10.24 from NYC Parish Liaison - October 24 Parish Update
- 30.10.24 from YDNPA - Request for suggested active travel routes in YDNP (close date 22.11.24)
- 30.10.24 from North Yorkshire & York LNRS - Land Manager Events in Nov & Dec 24 re Update on LNRS
- 31.10.24 from YLCA - Speaker Presentations from 24.10.24 Branch Meeting
- 04.11.24 from YLCA - Responses from NYC to issues raised at YLCA Branch meetings
- 06.11.24 from WBW (by post) - Remittance advices from RPA for 01.08.24 & 30.09.24 £1,543.28  
Delinked 2024 payments & F'cast for the total delinked payment after the reduction for 25 of £1,481.55
- 08.11.24 from NYC - Acknowledgement of PC Precept 25/26 Request
- 08.11.24 from NYC - Agenda for Richmond (Yorks) Area Committee meeting on 18.11.24
- 11.11.24 from YDNPA - Parish Newsletter - Autumn edition
- 11.11.24 from Wayleave, Northern PowerGrid - Network Improvement Proposal - Thornton Rust DI78449 (Item 8 b/fwd to Item 5)

## 11. Proposed 2025 Parish Council Meeting Dates to be held at Aysgarth Institute at 7.30pm

The following dates were agreed for 2025

9 <sup>th</sup>	January	26 <sup>th</sup>	June
13 <sup>th</sup>	February	4 <sup>th</sup>	September
3 <sup>rd</sup>	April	9 <sup>th</sup>	October
22 <sup>nd</sup>	May (Annual General Meeting)	20 <sup>th</sup>	November

## 12. Any Other Business

- **Faulty Thoraby Defibrillator** - Cllr Wilman gave the Chairman and Clerk a demonstration of the Thoraby Defibrillator not working due to faulty pads which were relatively new and had an expiry date of July 2026. **Action - Clerk to report this to the supplier and seek a refund/replacement pad.**
- **Thoraby with Newbiggin & Bishopdale 'Parish' records** - Cllr Cooper said that Claire Cooper (Clerk to the Parish Meeting) had arranged for historic documents to be stored/ digitalised at County Hall, Northallerton.
- **Central Dales Practice** - Cllr Dinsdale summarised the correspondence received from UDHW after the agenda was issued. Central Dales Practice along with practices across the country were experiencing problems with rising costs such as increase in Employer NIC, and funding. Central Dales Practice are engaging in a Collective Action. **Action - Clerk to arrange a letter of support.**
- **Bus Services** - Correspondence from Ruth Annison received after the agenda was issued re Bus Services over the Festive period.

**The Parish Council will not tolerate rude, abusive or threatening behaviour**

**Meeting closed at 8.35pm**

**Date of next Parish Council meeting - Thursday 9th January 2025 at 7.30pm at Aysgarth Institute**