

Great Ouseburn Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 20th January 2016
at 7.30 p.m. in the Jeff Gill Room, Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

Present: Cllr K Scott (Chairman), Cllr B Robinson (Vice Chairman), Cllr J Burton, Cllr R Kay, Cllr G Potter and Cllr S Wilkinson.

In Attendance: Mrs L Evely (Clerk)

Also present: nil

2015. 155 **To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence:** Cllr I Shaw, Cllr Lewis (Harrogate Borough Council, Neil Waite (NYCC Police)
2015. 156 **Declarations of Interest.** All Parish Councillors are Trustees of the Village Hall and declare their personal interests in the Village Hall. Members to indicate whether they will be declaring any other interests under the Code of Conduct.
2015. 157 **Minutes of the previous meeting.** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 16th December 2015: The minutes were approved then signed and dated by the Chairman.
2015. 158 **Public Participation.** Any member of the public present at the meeting may make representations, answer questions or give evidence in relation to the business to be transacted. Members of the council who have a prejudicial interest in relation to any item of business to be transacted may also speak in relation to that matter. *Please note that the Chairman will control this session and will exercise his discretion as to the amount of time allowed for public participation. No decisions are made at this part of the meeting – this will be done by the Council having heard and noted the representations made.* Nil.
2015. 159 **Progress Reports.** To receive progress reports as follows:
- 2015.159.1 LDP Affordable Housing Site, Branton (minute 2012.074 refers): no news.
- 2015.159.2 The Free Landing: The scaffolding is slightly bent but both boats ok. No further news.
- 2015.159.3 Highways issues: The Clerk has reported the pothole near Penty's on Carr Side Road and the blocked gully at the Junction of Carr Side Road and Main Street. The current street lights which are out have also been reported.
- 2015.159.4 Tree Management: works in the Play area have been carried out and part of Light Mire Lane works has been completed. Further works are ongoing.
- 2015.159.5 Commuted Sums – no news.
- 2015.159.6 Fishpond conservation area – The clerk has e-mailed the consultants to arrange an on-site meeting. Awaiting confirmation of time and date.
- 2015.159.7 Allotments: Debbie Johnson e-mail dated 06.01.16 to discuss: Ms Johnson surrendering both plots at the end of March and asked if the Parish Council would like the drainage pipes she purchased but did not install. The Councillors agreed that they wished to have these and they can be left on site when she leaves. The Councillors will discuss the drainage again in April.
- 2015.159.8 Children's Play Area: Roundabout update: Cllr Robinson and Cllr Potter are arranging for the bearing to be replaced on the roundabout.
- 2015.159.9 Green Spaces Consultation: no news.
- 2015.159.10 Allerton Waste Recovery Park: no news.
- 2015.159.11 The Crown Inn: Florets have advertised now available for rent (reduced) with no premium and free of the terms. Guide rent is £45,000 per annum then reviewed every 5 years.
- 2015.159.12 Two Ridings Community Foundation Grants: no news.

2015.159.13 Possible development of land to houses and new Public House at Branton Green: The public consultation has taken place today – 20.01.2016 and a leaflet delivered to villagers with plans to submit a planning application shortly.

2015. 160 Planning decisions notified by Harrogate Borough Council.

To note any decisions received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2015. 161 Planning applications

Mrs L Bentley, Popes Cottage, Main Street, Great Ouseburn, York, North Yorkshire YO26 9RQ: 6.80.89.B.PDU CO 15/05651/PDU CO Installation of 2 roof lights
<http://uniformonline.harrogate.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=NZRJFRHY0D400>:
 No objections

To consider any planning applications received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2015. 0162 YLCA: The Queen’s 90th Birthday Beacons – 21 April 2016: Cllr Robinson to have a word with Gavin about obtaining the previous Beacon. To discuss at the next Parish Council meeting.

2015. 0163 YLCA: Changes to the External Audit Regime: All present agreed to stay as we are with auditor James Mackman.

2015. 0164 Harrogate Borough Council letter dated 07.01.16: Non domestic rates account reference 60000769418 re: adjacent Village Hall, Great Ouseburn: The Chairman read out the letter to all present.

2015. 0165 Harrogate Borough Council letter dated 22.12.15: Council Tax Support Grant 2016/17: The Chairman read out the letter to all present.

2015. 0166 YLCA: Workplace Pensions: The employee wishes to opt out.

2015. 0167 Harrogate Borough Council: Parish Council Elections – Thursday 5th May 2016 – Nomination Packs: The clerk distributed packs to all councillors.

Items received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date.

2015. 0168 **Questions from Councillors.** To consider questions from Councillors: Cllr Burton has received complaints regarding the grass verges from the primary School towards Fishpond Bridge. The clerk is to contact Rich Grant and to see if he wishes to discuss the contract for the next financial year.

2015. 0169 **Statement of accounts for the period 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016.** To consider the statement of accounts for the current year and approve payments therein: The accounts were approved as a true and correct record by all present.

P23/15	Mark the Mole Man (Playing field)	£90.00
P24/15	L Evely (clerks salary)	£1406.61

Current account balance @ 14.12.15:	6,968.39
Deposit account balance @ 30.12.15:	1,410.42
Reserves account balance 14.11.15:	2,093.81
Less unrepresented cheques/transfer:	2281.81
Add unbanked receipts/transfers:	0.00
Total:	8,191.01

2015.169.01 Parish Online annual fee renewal £33.60 inc vat: all present agreed to pay.

Items received after publication of this agenda and prior to the meeting: none to date

2015. 0170 **General Circulation Correspondence received – for information only.** This was noted and passed for circulation by the clerk

2015. 0171 **Reports from representatives.** To receive reports from the Council's representatives on the following organisations:

2015.171.01 **Village Hall Committee:** Richard White is painting the Village Hall

R.A.Y did a talk at the Village Hall – requires ideas for fundraising and a new Treasurer.

The new 300 club starts its first draw on the 28th January 2016.

The Charity Commission accounts are to be forwarded to the clerk for submission as the deadline is the 31.01.16.

2015.171.02 **Police Liaison Group:** no news

2015.171.03 **Yore Vision:** Walks taking place at Aldwark at Easter.

2015. 0172 **Matters for inclusion on the next Agenda.** YLCA: The Queen's 90th Birthday Beacons – 21 April 2016 / Grass Cutting.

2015. 0173 **Date and Time of next meeting.** To confirm that the next meeting of the Council will be held on Wednesday 24th February 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall, Great Ouseburn.

With there being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm