

Bilsdale Midcable Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held 7th March 2018

Present. Cllrs M Bowes, D Hollingworth, C Devlin and I Brass.

In attendance, Cllr B Griffiths, Cllr R Hudson, G Silver and R Chapman, Clerk

1. Apologies for absence. These were received from Cllr C McGee, Cllr R Kirk,
2. Declarations of any personal or prejudicial interests. None declared.
3. Minutes of the last meeting held on 3rd January 2018. These were agreed and signed.
4. Matters arising from the minutes.
 - a. Carlton Bank: Some of the overhanging bushes have been cut back but some still remain. No improvement with the cattle grid.
 - b. Ryvitalise meeting: Minutes of the meeting are available. There is a public meeting in Hawnby on Friday 9th March 2018. Clerk will attend.
5. Police report. Clerk read out the report received from PCSO Crawford (report attached)
 - a. No incidents on Police report. Police drew attention to the property marking event they are holding in Stokesley on Saturday 10th March.
 - b. Cllr Brass and Mr Silver noted the recent cases of sheep worrying and the local report of 2 terriers running loose in the Fangdale Beck area earlier in the day.
6. Finance.
 - a. Chop Gate School did not cash the BMPC donation cheque dating from July 2016 which has now timed out. They have requested a replacement. Councillors agreed to issue a new cheque, including a new donation for the current year making a payment of £160.00 in total.
 - b. The Clerk relayed advice from YLCC that restrictions on payment authorisations have recently been relaxed. This could allow approved payments to be made on the basis of a single signature rather than the dual signature currently required. This could simplify some admin effort. Councillors agreed that this would be something to follow up during the next financial year, with a view to a £150 limit for single authorization.
7. Planning applications: No new applications received to consider. Councillors noted the communication from Hambleton District Council that a new dwelling had been registered at Calf Garth Farm.
8. Highways.
 - a. The majority of the bushes overhanging the road near the cattle grid on Carlton Bank have now been trimmed. It was agreed that this section of road comes within the remit of Carlton Parish Council so BMPC will take no further action on this matter.

- b. The standing water / blocked drain on the Urra Road was reported via the Parish Portal. NYCC Highways attended to this promptly although it was observed that the general drainage at that location is problematic. Councillor Griffiths reported that NYCC Highways are following up with the farmer, regarding the excessive amount of mud left on the road.
- c. The meeting noted that mud has been coming down the track opposite the Seave Green road and running over the B1257, leaving stones and mud on the main road after heavy rain.
- d. The meeting also noted that water continues to flow over the Seave Green road from the yard area at Bilsdale Hall.
- e. Councillors continue to be dissatisfied with the performance of NYCC Highways, particularly with respect to the Raisdale Road and keeping the road adequately treated in cold weather. Specifically, ice had led to collisions on Carlton Bank. Councillors considered that either the road should be treated in a way comparable to other significant routes in the area or NYCC should be more proactive in closing the road during icy conditions as a safety measure. Despite previous notifications to Highways, some roadside drains are still overflowing across the road. Considering that the Raisdale Road was resurfaced in recent times, it was disappointing that a large pothole had developed near Raisdale Mill. Councillors agreed that NYCC Highways should be contacted, requesting a site meeting to discuss the issues.
- f. Councillors considered a suggestion that the 30mph speed limit zone should be extended at the southern boundary of Chop Gate. It was concluded to take no action on the basis that this had been reviewed before in recent years and any new request at this time would be most likely to fail.
- g. There is still water running across the B1257 at several sites near Cam House including what appears to be a new stream originating at the Cam House driveway.

9. Community First Response (CFR):

- a. Mr Silver (Chop Gate CFR coordinator) reported that the Chop Gate team had one call out during the past 2 months. There was a good outcome in that case.
- b. The team is still seeking more volunteers.
- c. Yorkshire Ambulance Service continues to upgrade the basic equipment supplied to the teams. Most recently, upgraded oxygen cylinders have been issued. However, any equipment to improve operational capability beyond that basic level must be funded by the team members themselves, supported by grants where available and voluntary donations.
- d. The team still plan to install a community public access defibrillator (CPAD) in Chop Gate as soon as the necessary funds have been secured. Total installed cost will be about will be about £1600 and additional funding is still needed.

- e. Cllr Griffiths commented that he could possibly facilitate a grant of £500 towards the CPAD project and it was agreed that a formal application would be made for this funding.

10. Local Government Transparency Code: The Clerk reported that steady progress is being made towards compliance

11. General Data Protection Regulation:

- a. The Chairman and Clerk restated their position that this will have little impact on BMPC because this Council holds minimal personal information.
- b. The Clerk reported that the specific requirements for small authorities are still being defined and guidance from NLCC is being revised on an ongoing basis.
- c. Cllr Hudson confirmed that Great Ayton Parish Council has taken a similar position.

12. Correspondence: Recent correspondence was noted. No actions resulting.

13. Next meeting: Wednesday 9th May 2018, 7:30pm Chop Gate Village Hall

R Chapman Clerk, Bilsdale Midcable Parish Council