

THE PARISH COUNCIL OF NEWTON-UPON-RAWCLIFFE & STAPE

The Minutes of the Meeting held at the Village Hall, Newton upon Rawcliffe on Thursday 3rd September 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Councillor Ian Parkin
Deputy Chairman Councillor Caroline Jackson
Councillor Ian Clough
Councillor Steve Jackson
Clerk to the Council Mrs Helen Pells

47/2015 *APOLOGIES*
September Councillor Josephine Hall

48/2015 *TO APPROVE AND SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE*
September *MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON THE 2ND & 30TH August*
2015

The Deputy Chairman requested that in the Agenda item 33/2015 'Adoption of Monuments on Stony Moor' it should be made plainer that the volunteers i.e. Steve Jackson, Josie Hall and Helen Pells were independent of the Parish Council. There were no objections to this and Mrs Pells was instructed to alter the minutes accordingly.

49/2015 *DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF*
September *ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA*
No declarations made.

50/2015 *OPEN FORUM*
September No members of the public present.

51/2015 *PLANNING*

September **North York Moors National Park**
Application No. NYM/2015/0566/FL
Erection of timber stable and domestic storage building following
demolition of outbuilding.
Submitted by Mr Alan Wright
The site was visited by Councillors Ian Parkin and Caroline Jackson. They were satisfied with the proposals and recommended that no objections should be raised. It was therefore **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council offered no objections to the above planning application.

52/2015 **CORRESPONDENCE & MATTERS TO REPORT FROM THE**
September **CLERK**

- i. The date of the Annual Meeting next year has had to be changed from the 5th May to the 12th May 2106 due to the village hall being required for an election.
- ii. The parish clerk feels that Ryedale District Council will not indefinitely publish the relevant information (transparency code) on its website and that eventually the Parish Council will need its own website.
- iii. PKF Littlejohn, the external auditors had raised a concern with regards to the high reserve of over £5000. Evidently the reserve should not be greater than twice the precept. She explained to PKF Littlejohn that when she took over as parish clerk the reserve had been over £7000 and she had continued the same practice. During her four years of office as clerk no one had raised concerns until now. She awaited further comments from PKF Littlejohn.
- iv. New Planning Application (NYM/2015/0521/FL) in respect of the construction of a replacement wildlife hide, improvement works to the access path and the car parking area together with the creation of a temporary access road at land to the west of Kale Pot Hole, Newtondale, Stape (481262, 493083).

Grid reference 481273 493047

Councillors Ian Clough and Steve Jackson took responsibility for the management of this application.

- v. On reviewing the Asset Register, Mrs Pells realized that the picnic seat on the green was no longer there. She removed it from the register and asked if anyone knew when and how it had been removed from the green. No one could shed any light on this.
- vi. Notification of the next Ryedale Area Committee meeting to be held at Ganton Village Hall on the 9th September 2015 at 10.30 a.m.
- vii. Mrs Pells had begun to forward information to RDC for publishing on its website.

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FINANCE

Balance:

Update: Awaiting The Annual Return from PKF Little. (See agenda item 52/2015 iii.)

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REPORTS ON OTHER MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS.

None

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OUTSTANDING MATTERS (For information only except if otherwise stated)

School Bus (Agenda Item 34/2015) Councillor Hall had discussed this problem with one of the drivers and was reassured that the use of a 52-seater bus was only temporary. The small bus would be reinstated in September with the advent of the new term.

Ken Ather Outdoor Centre Councillor Caroline Jackson had written to the owners of the centre suggesting a commercial bin should be used.

Overhanging trees in Stape Despite reporting the poor visibility due to overhanging trees between Middlehead Road Junction and

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Brown Howe Road to Highways on 3rd July 2015 Councillor Steve Jackson reported that nothing had been done. The Parish Clerk would chase this up.

56/2015 MATTERS TO REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

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The Chairman had received a letter from Mr Robert Danes of School House Newton complaining about the deterioration of the road at Newbridge Level Crossing. The chairman had informed Mr Danes that it was outside the Parish Council's jurisdiction and it would probably be more effective for Mr Danes to write personally to the relevant authorities for that area.

57/2015 REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

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Councillor Steve Jackson was concerned about the safety on Rawcliffe Bank as a result of the extra traffic using the road as a direct result of access roads being built in the forest for the extraction of timber. The parish clerk would include it on the agenda for November.

58/2015 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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Thursday 5th November 2015.
A planning meeting will be required prior to the above meeting to discuss the planning application (NYM/2015/0521/FL)
Agenda Item 52/2015 S iv.

The meeting ended at 7.40 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman: _____ Date:

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Parish Clerk: _____ Date: