

CLAPHAM CUM NEWBY PARISH COUNCIL

TUESDAY 26th JANUARY 2021

MINUTES

Meeting held online

PRESENT: Cllrs Colin Price (Chairman), John Dawson (Vice-Chairman), Diane Elphinstone, Paul Bratt, Ann Sheridan and Gerald Kay

IN ATTENDANCE: Nigel Harrison (Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer), Cllr D. Ireton and 9 members of the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None at the outset but contributions were received as various items were considered

1. Apologies for Absence: None

2. Code of Conduct and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

a. Cllr Elphinstone declared an interest in item 9.a.(iii)

b. No requests were made for DPI dispensations in connection with items on this agenda.

3. Police Report:

The Council received a written report from PCSO Jayne Grace of North Yorkshire Police. This set out details of 31 incidents dealt with by the police between 5th December 2020 and 25th January 2021

4. Highways and Street Lighting, Road Signage and Boundary Markers

a. Requests for action on highways, streetlights, road signage and boundary markers

(i) The Council noted that a blocked culvert on Keasden Road had been reported to NYCC

b. Updates and decide further action on outstanding issues

(i) The Council noted that digging work had been carried out on Old Road, Clapham to prevent the overflow of Silly Sally Stream and that the Ingleborough Estate responded to the correspondence suggesting digging work on its land at that location.

(ii) The clerk was asked to report inadequate gritting and understocked grit supplies in the Keasden area and inadequate grit supplies in the Newby area to North Yorkshire County Council

(iii) The clerk was asked to arrange repair of a defective street light in Newby

5. Minutes of the previous meetings

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Clapham cum Newby Parish Council meeting held on 8th December, 2020 should be approved and signed by Cllr Price, Chairman, as a true and accurate record. There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda

6. On-going issues

6.1 Parish Maintenance Matters

a. Works for independent contractors.

No works were identified as required

b. Works funded by the Forest of Bowland AONB grant

The Council noted that all but £36.60 of funds provided by the Forest of Bowland AONB since 2015 are spent. In the circumstances no works are currently in prospect (see item 10.(ii))

c. The 2021 grass cutting contract for St James Churchyard

The clerk was asked to obtain a quote from Messrs J. Hartley and Sons for grass-cutting in Clapham Churchyard in 2021-22

d. Handrail Clapham Churchyard

The Council was informed that architectural drawings have been prepared and will be submitted to the diocese.

6.2 The community emergency plan, community defibrillator training and other topics related to the emergency services

(i) Cllr Elphinstone informed the Council that the defibrillator to be installed at Newby Chapel has been ordered. Its installation will be arranged as soon as possible and training in its use will be arranged.

(ii) The Council noted that a replacement battery for the defibrillator in Clapham has been purchased and installed. It expressed its gratitude to the parishioner who undertakes the maintenance of the device and asked the clerk to write to him expressing the same.

6.3 Neighbourhood Planning.

An update was received from Cllr Sheridan. The draft plan has been completed and forwarded for examination by CDC and YDNPA. A response from the former is awaited. YDNPA have indicated that housing sites will be allocated as part of its plan and has suggested that the parish allocate its own. Work will be carried out in that regard.

6.4 Climate Emergency

Cllr Bratt informed the Council that a steering group has been formed. An online meeting is to be arranged and a suggestions box to be made available with the intention of involving the wider community in initiatives to deal with the

climate emergency.

7. Finance

a. **RESOLVED** to authorise and make payment as follows:

(i) £264.00 to J. Hartley & Sons for grass-cutting in Clapham Churchyard

(ii) £223.14 to WEL Medical Ltd for a replacement defibrillator battery

b. **RESOLVED** to approve the statement of accounts (HSBC 1 and HSBC 2) for the Parish Council

c. Cllrs undertook to carry out the annual condition survey of parish assets and the clerk will forward a summary of parish assets to facilitate this

d. Arrangements for the annual safety inspection of memorials within the closed churchyard of St James', Clapham were agreed. The Chairman and Cllr Kay will carry out the inspection.

e. The bank reconciliations for quarter 3 were verified by Cllr Dawson

f. The budget for Quarter 3 was reviewed by Cllr Dawson

g. **RESOLVED** to approve donations of £100, £200 and £200 to Citizens Advice Bureau, Settle Swimming Pool and Clapham Play Park respectively

8. Planning

a. Applications

(i) C/18/624B/LB Listed building consent for stabilisation and remedial works to log store including roof repairs and replacement, and works to take down and rebuild the stone piers at Joiners Workshop/Storage Shed, Eggshell Lane, Clapham, Lancaster, LA2 8DU. The Council **RESOLVED** to support this application, it being confirmed in response to a question asked by Cllr Elphinstone that the building will be re-built on its current site and in its current form.

(ii) 2020/22271/FUL: Conversion of agricultural barn to 1 dwelling Location: The Barn, Hammon Head Hall, Mewith, Bentham, LA2 7AR. The Council **RESOLVED** to support this application.

(iii) (i) 2020/22368/HH: Single storey extension to form sun room: Green Close Farm, Clapham Road, Clapham, Lancaster, LA2 8HW See item 9.b.(i). The Council **RESOLVED** to support this application.

b. Decisions

(i) 2020/21798/FUL: Proposed shed with an associated covered decking area: Stonecroft, Keasden, Clapham, Lancaster, LA2 8EU: granted by CDC on 21/12/202. The Council noted this decision.

(ii) 2020/21606/FUL: Erection of 3 dwellings, associated access and landscaping (alternative to planning permission 18/2017/17834): Old Road, Clapham, Lancaster, LA2 8JH Granted by CDC on 6th Jan 2021. The Council noted this decision.

c. Other planning issues and correspondence

(i) Trees in Clapham Conservation Area-Marton House. The Council noted tree works approved by YDNPA

(ii) Former Railway Goods Yard Clapham Station Clapham Original Application Ref: 2019/20487/FUL: APP/C2708/W/20/3263522. The Council noted that its original comments in opposing this application will automatically be forwarded to the Planning Inspectorate. It noted documents submitted for consideration by Cllr Sheridan. These set out detailed objections to the development. The Council **RESOLVED** to adopt these documents as its response to the appeal and asked the clerk to forward them to the Planning Inspectorate.

9. To receive and respond to correspondence

a. Receive and respond to items of correspondence received prior to this meeting

(i) Email from a parishioner with regard to eco-friendliness of houses on the Dalesview development, Clapham. The Council noted this email which pointed out the number of ways in which the developer of the Dalesview Site has incorporated eco-friendly measures into the dwellings constructed. This was in the light of comments made at the last meeting which called this into question. The Council accepted the email and indicated that the developers are to be applauded for the measures adopted.

(ii) Email from YDMT- re plastic treeguards. The Council noted this email which corrected an impression apparent at the last meeting. The YDMT are, in fact, still using plastic tree guards where necessary but are looking to replace the same with suitable alternatives.

(iii) Email re Dashcam for Rural Watch. The Council **RESOLVED** to fund the purchase of a Dashcam for use by parishioners participating in the Rural Watch.

b. Receive and respond to items of correspondence received too late to be circulated prior to this meeting

(i) 2020/22368/HH: Single storey extension to form sun room: Green Close Farm, Clapham Road, Clapham, Lancaster, LA2 8HW-see 8.a.(iii)

(ii) The Council noted receipt of an email in connection with renewable energy on farms

10. Items of information and further action

(i) The Council noted that its notice board in Clapham has been moved from its former position to the side of the shop.

(ii) Cllr Price indicated that in discussions with an officer of the Forest of Bowland AONB there had been an indication of the possibility of further funds becoming available.

The clerk was asked to enquire of NYCC as to the possibility of restoring the bridge over the River Wenning near to Crina Bottom and funding for the same

11. Date of the next meeting of Clapham cum Newby Parish Council

RESOLVED: The date of the next meeting will be Tuesday 23rd February 2021 at 7.30pm

AONB	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
CDC	Craven District Council
NYCC	North Yorkshire County Council
SLCC	Society of Local Council Clerks
YDNPA	Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority
YLCA	Yorkshire Local Councils Association
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
B4RN	Broadband for the Rural North