

STILLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD
ON WEDNESDAY 7th February 2017

PRESENT Chairman M Rowe
B Smith R Conway P Swiers C Cookman M Turvey

Apologies G Hill

In Attendance R Pearse M Law C Patmore

Clerk R Brown.

1) The Minutes of the last Meeting held on the 3rd January 2018 had been circulated prior to the meeting and some amendments were agreed as a true record.

2) **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

a) **Emergency Community Plan**

The draft plan had been circulated and agreed.
The plan has been forwarded to NYCC for Ratification and consideration.
It is hoped the Community Emergency Plan will be agreed by NYCC in the near future.

3) **Planning New**

a) White Bear Cottage South Back Lane Stillington

Variation of Conditions of alterations to existing agricultural Buildings for use as 2 Holiday Lets

There was no objection to this application

4) **Planning Agreed**

a) Halfway House West Lane Stillington

Proposed extension beyond rear wall of Property

HDC have agreed this application

- b) Home Farm Mill Lane Stillington
Outline application for the construction of up to five dwellings
HDC have agreed this application
- c) 1 South View High Street Stillington
Rear Extension to dwelling to include a Garage
HDC have agreed this application
- d) 2 South View. High Street Stillington
Rear Extension to dwelling with additional garden store
HDC have agreed this application

(5) Finance

Amount Authorised

- a) Audit Fee 2016/2017 £120.00
- b) Grass Cutting 2018

The owner of the Land in Jenny Wren no longer wishes the Parish Council to cut the grass and will undertake the task himself The Grass Cutting Schedule for 2018 was agreed and a copy is attached to these minutes

- 6) Grass cutting 2018 Contract Schedule was presented and accepted

7) **Telephone Box. Main Street
(Mini library)**

The provision of an additional shelf for Larger Books and was in hand and it will be installed in the near future it was agreed that a further appeal should go into the Stillington News for donation of Children's Books.

8) **Community Speed Watch Scheme**

Speed continues to be monitored within the Village. A schedule of Monitoring sessions has been agreed with the North Yorkshire Police for 2018.
However, we would welcome additional Volunteers to the current Community Speed Watch team.

9) **Landscaping Village Hall**

It is expected that work will commence in the near future

10) **Replacements Trees on Top and Village Green**

Further Quotations are still being sought for the replacement Trees. A number of alternative Contractors have been approached.

11) **Birds mouth Fencing in the Village**

It is expected that the repair of 22 Tanalized timber posts the Birds Mouth Fencing will be completed by the end of April.
The posts would needed to be painted by the Parish Council
NYCC are to be approached to ascertain whether some sort sleeve protection can be placed at the bottom of the post

12) **One way Traffic System from South Back Lane to Main Street**

Concern was expressed that traffic was still travelling down this lane in the wrong direction particularly from eastern end of the Village. It was felt that the signage was not clear.
A number of possible solutions have been submitted to NYCC, who have acknowledged our concerns and will give consideration to our comments

13) **Salt Bin Old Bus Shelter York Road**

NYCC have confirmed they were not prepared to fill the Salt Bin.
After discussion it was agreed that The Parish Council would purchase gritting salt for this Bin

14) **Parking in North Back Lane (outside the Cemetery)**

The problem of Parking in North Back Lane has been discussed with the Practice Manager. The Manager has placed a notice in the Surgery asking Patients not to block the footpath. The situation will be monitored.

15) **Cold Calling**

Over the last few months, there has been an increase of individuals Cold Calling in the Village selling items. There was some evidence that at least one individual became aggressive when refused a purchase. After discussion it was agreed to undertake a survey to ascertain whether to make an application to NYCC Trading Standards to have Stillington classified as a "No Cold Calling Village".

16) **Drain on Junction of High Main Street and York Road**

NYCC have agreed to have this Drain jetted and cleared and should be completed in the next two weeks hopefully this will resolve this problem

17) **Shale Gas Advisory Group.**

After discussion it was agreed, Stillington Parish Council would join the South Hambleton Shale Gas Advisory Group (SHSGAG).

18) **Any Other Business**

- 1) Pot holes in the Road around the Village Green
(on next meeting's agenda.)
- 2) Excessive water in a Ditch (Ditch at bottom of Mill Lane)
(Councillor Philip Swiers offered to inspect the Ditch and report at the next meeting)

19)

The next monthly meeting will be held on 7th March 2018 at 7.30 pm

These minutes are in draft form until ratified at the next meeting.