

ASENBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the annual meeting held on Wednesday May , 2008 in the village hall

Councillors present: P. Palmer (Chair), J. Lowe (Vice-chair), L. Chapman, M. Arkley, G. Marsden
NYCC Cllr P. Richardson, HBC Cllr C. Brown

Also present S. Hall, J. Avison, C. Millross

- 08/071** P. Palmer was elected Chairman.
Proposed by M. Arkley, seconded by L. Chapman
- 08/072** New Chairman declared Acceptance of Office of Chairman.
- 08/073** J. Lowe was co-opted onto the parish council.
Proposed by M. Arkley, seconded by L. Chapman
- 08/074** J. Lowe was elected Vice-chair.
Proposed by M. Arkley, seconded by L. Chapman
- 08/075** Previous Chair and Vice-chair retired.
The retiring councillors were thanked for all their hard work.
- 08/076** Newly-elected councillors declared Acceptance of Office of Councillor.
- 08/077** It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday March 19th, 2008, be accepted as true record and be signed by the Chairman.
Proposed by M. Arkley, seconded by L. Chapman
- 08/078** **MATTERS ARISING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS**
- i) JA will contact P. Perkins regarding the Mill Weir and invite him to come to a Parish Council meeting.
 - ii) SH has ordered timber to repair the footbridge. MA offered to help with this.
 - iii) MA reported that the seat by the bus stop is potentially dangerous. SH stated it has been looked at in the past but is very difficult to fix.
- 08/079** **FINANCES, CHEQUES AND COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION**
The writing of new cheques had to be postponed as the councillors need to be registered as signatories first.
- i) Cheque for £3.75 needs to be written to Melvyn Arkley for 5 photocopies of boundary map of Asenby Parish **POSTPONED**
 - ii) Cheque for £95 has been written to YLCA for membership **PREVIOUS COUNCIL**
 - iii) Precept was received - £675
 - iv) Cheque for £280 has been written to Chris Amy for riverside grass cutting 2007 **PREVIOUS COUNCIL**
 - v) There will be a 3% increase in the 2008/9 grant for Grounds Maintenance, increasing the amount to £185.00 for the 2008/9 tax year. This will increase annually in line with inflation
- 08/080** **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE**
- i) There was a promise of action from HBC as regards the bad condition of the footpath between Topcliffe and Asenby but as yet, nothing has happened.
The problem will be brought up at the next meeting of Harrogate Area Committee. It will be of help if a member of the parish council can also be present.
- 08/081** **FISHING / SWALE BANKSIDE**
The Parish Council needs to meet a representative of the Fishing Syndicate for information about the whole set-up. CM has the paperwork.
- 08/082** **ASENBY INSTITUTE/PLAYING FIELD**
JA will present a report about Asenby Institute at the next meeting.
- 08/083** **CORRESPONDENCE**
Distributed
- 08/084** **AOB**
Steve has the jackets for the Rainton Run. PP will help co-ordinate this.

Next meeting Wednesday July , 2008 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall