

ASENBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday March 18th 2009
at Topcliffe and Asenby Village Hall

Councillors present: Peter Palmer (Chair), Judith Lowe (Vice Chair), Grahame Marsden,
Melvyn Arkley
Apologies: Les Chapman
Parishioners present 3

MINUTES

09/010 It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on January 21st, 2009 be accepted as true record and be signed by the Chairman.
Proposed by GM, seconded by JL

09/011 MATTERS ARISING

- i) Harrogate Environmental put in place conditions acceptable to Asenby and Crab&Lobster. C&L will arrange meetings with residents quarterly, or sooner if needed.
- ii) NYCC will not provide bus stop in front of Tesco.
- iii) JL will ask Carole Ford whereabouts of FEOFFEES land. **JL**
- iv) PP will call HBC about dog bins. **PP**

09/012 PLAYING FIELD

- i) Asenby Institute situation to be assessed after bbq.
- ii) HBC were called about emergency sign needed in playground. Explanation given to Asenby Institute who will make sign.
- iii) Originally lease stated Asenby Institute to pay for grass cutting. June 5th 2007, Parish Council agreed to pay £350 towards grass cutting cost to be reviewed annually. However the terms of the lease must be adhered to unless formally changed. Views of village can be heard and discussed at upcoming Parish Meeting. Proposed to let village decide if council should contribute or not.
AI need to choose grass cutter for playing field. GM is attending AI meetings as an observer on behalf of the Parish Council.

09/013 PLANNING

- i) C&L - Deletion of condition number 3 of planning permission 6.23.8.1
PARISH COUNCIL DOES NOT OBJECT TO OR SUPPORT THE APPLICATION but sent in the following comments: The Parish Council wishes to stress that the decision taken was influenced by the safeguards given by the applicant at the renewal of their premises licence in February 2009. The Parish Council requires that these conditions be rigorously enforced.
(Extraordinary meeting 24/2/09 Proposed by MA, seconded by JL)
- ii) Erection of two storey side extension and single story rear extension at 31 Cundall Avenue, Asenby for Mr & Mrs Metcalf
(NO OBJECTIONS Extraordinary meeting 24/2/09 Proposed by JL seconded by MA)
- iii) Complaint received by HBC reporting possible breach of planning control at Land and Buildings at Grid Reference 439891 475442 Asenby. Summary of complaint: Works to existing agricultural building - shutters replaced with windows, creation of hardstanding (possible proposed change of use to residential).
Outcome of investigation to be communicated to parish council within next 28 days.

09/014 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

- i) Cheapest new benches recycled plastic, around £150-£170. It was resolved to try repair the bench as temporary measure. Proposed by MA, seconded by GM.
- ii) Litter pick planned for first Saturday after Easter.
- iii) Mr Timmings' letter stated verges cut into grass will cause water to drop onto footpath. GM stated in fact water goes back because of verges. Other side of road is bigger problem with flooding. Maintenance necessary and potential work to be discussed with neighbouring land owner **GM/PP**

09/015 FISHING/SWALE BANKSIDE

- i) GM met R. Newton. Asenby Syndicate cleans riverbank and tidies up once p.a. Areas around pegs need making safe and to look aesthetic. Farm and Land could advise on this.
- ii) Hand-trimming by F&L will make it easier to walk footpath. Need to keep it accessible for Asenby Syndicate.

09/016 FINANCES, CHEQUES AND COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION

- i) Cheque for £158.62 (£135 + £23.62 VAT) was written to Mazars for external audit 2008 (Extraordinary meeting 13/2/09, proposed by JL, seconded by GM)
- ii) It was resolved to open a new insurance policy with Aon and close the policy with Zurich. (Extraordinary meeting Proposed by JL, seconded by MA Insurance policy started on 8/3/09)
- iii) Cheque for £237.66 written to Aon Ltd for insurance. Proposed by JL, seconded by MA
- iv) £250 will be transferred from savings account to current account.
- v) Steve Hall has offered to do odd jobs around the village once his shoulder is better. **JL**
- vi) Cheque for £98 will need to be written next month to YLCA for membership April 2009-March 2010

09/017 CORRESPONDENCE

- i) Benefit fraud campaign poster will be displayed on notice board for 13 weeks. **JL**
- ii) Questionnaire about HBC's Tree and Woodland policy will be filled out and sent in by May 1st.

Next meeting: Annual Meeting on May 18th 2009 at 8.00 pm in the village hall

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