

BELLERBY PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of Bellerby Parish council was held in the Memorial Hall on Monday 13th October 2008 at 7.30pm

MINUTES

The meeting was attended by the clerk and Cllrs Hutchinson, Jameson, McArthur, Rycroft and Weedon.

1. Apologies for absence

None

2. Declarations of interest

Cllrs Jameson and Rycroft declared a personal interest in agenda item number 9 as they are members of the transport working group.

3. To welcome the new Parish Councillor, Helen McArthur

Cllr Weedon welcomed Cllr McArthur to her first meeting.

4. Public speaking and question time

None

5. To approve the minutes of the last meeting

Cllrs Hutchinson, Jameson, Rycroft and Weedon all agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of the meeting.

6. Matters arising from the previous minutes

The clerk was still trying to set up a meeting between Cllrs, local Highways and the Traffic Management Officer for North Yorkshire Police.

Cllr Hutchinson will report on the Local Food Project in the future when he has more information.

7. Flooding issues

In recent years many properties in the village have flooded. Part of the problem is the amount of water going into the beck at the top of Moor Road. The Environment Group is to write a brief, so that enquiries may be made as to the cost of hiring a consultant who specialises in flood risk assessments.

8. Tree/shrub cutting in the cemetery

Cllrs asked the clerk to arrange for a local contractor to cut back the trees and bushes that are overhanging the graves at the far end of the cemetery.

9. Update on transport working group

The group had met and have drafted a proposal for the footpath/cyclepath to Leyburn that will go to Ian Beighton at Highways for him to forward to the right person for approval as Sustrans cannot get involved until local authority approval is given. Cllr Rycroft had spoken with local farmers along the planned route with mainly a favourable response, some offering to give the land needed free of charge. The Headteacher of Leyburn Primary School had expressed his support for the scheme. Cllr Weedon is looking into funding for all sorts of different things including the footpath.

10. Litter on the main road

There is litter on both sides of the road at both ends of the village. The clerk will ring the street cleansing team at Richmondshire District Council and ask them to clear it.

11. Correspondence

Bellerby had been placed third out of sixteen villages in the Best Kept Village competition with a score of 80%. The judges were impressed by the cleanliness and tidy condition of the village, but felt that it was let down a bit by the general appearance of the pub and various outbuildings and sheds around the village.

12. Planning matters

Cllrs had no comment to make on an application for “Listed Building Consent for Alteration of Approved Window Sizes and Fenestration on Rear Extension” at Boar House.

Full planning permission had been GRANTED for “Single Storey Extension to the West Side of the Industrial Letting Unit Currently Used by Automoto-Racing” at Manor House Farm.

13. Authority to pay

Horton Landscaping Ltd	£381.90	5 grass cuts
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14. Exchange of views and ideas

Cllr McArthur discussed various ideas with the other Cllrs about cardboard and plastics recycling.

15. Date of the next meeting

This will be Monday 24th November 2008 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. **Nb this has since been changed to Tuesday 2nd December 2008 at the same time as the hall was booked for the original date.**

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.55PM