

Scriven Parish Council

Minutes

Parish Council meeting on

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2013 8pm

Park Grove Methodist Church Rooms

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In attendance:- Cllr Sarah Patterson (Chairman), Cllr Jim Sykes (Vice Chairman), Cllr Ken Barnes, Cllr Stuart Bell and Mrs Jenny Bradley (Clerk), County and District Cllr Anne Jones and District Cllr Ivor Fox, PCSO Alastair Graham-Merrett plus 5 members of the public.

19/9/1 Apologies – Cllr Rod Adams

19/9/2 Councillors Declaration of Interest – Cllr Barnes declared an interest in May Tree House Planning Application 6.94.9.J.FUL 13/03217/FUL

19/9/3 Minutes of the last meeting July 22<sup>nd</sup> - **APPROVED**

**Public participation**

Members of the public are very welcome to attend this meeting. We aim to allow approximately 15 minutes for public comment and questions before the meeting. Standing Orders need to be suspended by law, in order to do this. The public are entitled to attend the meeting in full but cannot take part in proceedings until Standing Orders have been suspended.

Mr Keelan-Edwards of Spinney Croft, Scriven wanted to raise the issue of parking too near to the corner of Market Flat Lane opposite Spinney Croft and the danger that poses. Exiting their drive is particularly difficult near the blind bend anyway and the parking only exacerbates the problem. Mr Keelan-Edwards wanted to inform the Parish Council that he has been in touch with NYCC Highways about this matter. Cllr Anne Jones flagged up the Le Tour (Tour de France) Knaresborough meeting for Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 7pm at King James's School and the Planning Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2pm where representatives will have 6 minutes to put their views forward on planning applications that are coming before the committee of which the Gladman/Boroughbridge Road application is one of them.

19/9/4 Banking and Finance:-

- To note current financial position – The Clerk reported that the external audit had been approved with no recommendations. Current Acct £747.79, Savings £244.59, Road £1906.52
- Payroll Real Time Reporting - SPC currently have no obligation to do RTR as the PAYE account has been closed at the request of HMRC
- Cheques signed:- Clerks salary for 8 weeks £218.16, Quarterly working from home expenses clerk £50, Room hire £24, Printing of August newsletter £12, Farm and Land Services £79.20, YLCA Good Councillor Guide £3.50

19/9/5 Proposal for a Temporary Vehicle Activated Sign for Scriven – following the site survey, it was proposed that the offer of a TVA is refused due to no funds available and the advice given to us from NYCC. **AGREED – Clerk to write to NYCC.** However there are still concerns regarding traffic coming in and going out of the village and alternative measures need to be looked at, whether it be signage or rumble strips or some other traffic calming measure. Clerk to speak to Highways on this matter to determine what is permitted/possible. **AGREED**

19/9/6 Planning:- May Tree House App 6.94.9.J.FUL 13/03217/FUL – SPC – Returned a no objection with a comment about the unfortunate loss of parking – **AGREED**

Gladman development Boroughbridge Road – Planning Committee update

### **Standing Orders suspended**

The Clerk asked Cllr Jones how important it is that someone from SPC attend to personally present the views of the Parish council to the Planning Committee. Cllr Jones said that it was part of the democratic process and it was up to the council whether or not they took part in that stage of the process.

### **Standing Orders reinstated**

Either Cllr Sykes or Cllr Patterson will represent SPC at the Planning Committee meeting on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2pm using the Council's, previously submitted, agreed objections. **AGREED**

19/9/7 Private Roads – update on current condition – After the next earth moving exercise at the Old Sawmill Cllr Sykes and Cllr Bell will survey the road again.

19/9/8 Village Parking – see notes from Public Participation – parking issues on the corner of Market Flat Lane opposite Spinney Croft have been brought to the attention of the parish council by Mr and Mrs Keelan-Edwards of Spinney Croft who feel that where people are parking is dangerous. Clerk to also mention the problems in this area of the village to Highways when enquiring about traffic calming measures **AGREED**

### **Standing Orders suspended**

PCSO Alastair Graham-Merrett said that he would check that part of the road to ensure that no parking offences were being committed.

### **Standing Orders reinstated**

19/9/9 Correspondence – a phone call to the Clerk from Mrs Keelan-Edwards from Spinney Croft highlighting the issues with parking opposite their property and the potential dangers of parking too close to the corner on Market Flat Lane. No other correspondence to report.

19/9/10 Jacob Smith Park – The pedestrian gate has now been installed – Some members of the public have indicated that they would now like more pedestrian gates at different points in the park. The trustees of the park don't want any more tree planting along the Scriven village end of the park as they feel that residents have a right to a view across the park.

19/9/11 Neighbourhood Watch – Co-ordinator update – Following a lack of response a request will again be made in the next newsletter for new co-ordinators on the Gables and Greengate Drive - **AGREED**

19/9/12 Website update – There have been 413 unique visitors to the site in the last month, which at an average of 13 per day is thought to be a good rate of traffic. New items on the website are:- A Police Community Support Officer will be available to talk to, once a week at Knaresborough Library and a Knaresborough Post representative will also be available to talk to at the library once a month. There will also be a Women's Land Army Talk at the library on 10<sup>th</sup> Oct at 7pm.

If possible details for a local window cleaner and milkman to be added to the 'New to Scriven' page.

19/9/13 Claro Archaeology Group – the book launch was successful. SPC would like to formally thank the Claro Archaeology Group for all their hard work on the Scriven book – **Clerk to send a letter**

It was proposed that SPC purchase a book and CD for the parish council's files - **AGREED**

19/9/14 Village events – Remembrance Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 1pm at the Scriven memorial, Christmas Lights Switch On 1<sup>st</sup> December 4pm at Greenbank then the Green.

19/9/15 Newsletter – Review content at next meeting – **AGREED** A poster to be put in the notice board as a reminder for Remembrance Day.

19/9/16 Confirmation of future meeting dates 7<sup>th</sup> November (Clerk to prepare budget for Precept) and Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 2014 tbc.

#### Public Participation

2 members of the public requested that SPC definitely go to the Planning Committee meeting on Tues 24<sup>th</sup> September to present the council's views on the Gladman development Boroughbridge Road application. Cllr Fox fully supported SPC's planned attendance at the Planning Committee meeting. PCSO Alistair Graham-Merrett to encourage residents on the Gables and Greengate Drive to set up a Neighbourhood Watch in those areas.

Meeting closed 9.25pm

Jenny Bradley, Clerk, Scriven Parish Council