

Danby Wiske with Lazenby Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 19th July 2018

at 8 pm in the Village Hall

Present: Chairman – Geoff Solomon

Councillors – Margaret Goldie, Jeannette Darwin, Alastair Wilkin , David Swall

Clerk – Jan Sanders

North Yorkshire County Councillor - Annabel Wilkinson

Hambleton District Councillor - Brian Phillips

Parishioners – Jean Norris, Neil Aldridge

1. **Apologies:** None

2. **Minutes of the meeting held on the 21st June 2018:**

Minutes of the above meeting, which had been circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record.

3. **Matters arising – Picnic tables on the Green:**

Jean accepted the provisos relating to quality and positioning of the tables on the Green and outlined her ideas for fund-raising - Children's Quiz, Scarecrow Trail and Children's Day - to cover the cost of the tables, estimated at £500. These met with general approval.

Item 7, the Family Footpath Walk, was discussed whilst Jean was in attendance. It will take place on Sunday September 9th, meeting at 2.00 pm for a 2.30 pm start. The village hall will be booked to allow picnics to be deposited. The walk will be entirely on footpaths, avoiding the roads. Geoff agreed to produce a public notice and it was suggested that the information be posted on Facebook. It was agreed to walk the course on Tuesday August 14th at 6.30 pm.

4. **Financial report:**

The change of signatories forms have been completed and deposited at the bank. The annual insurance payment has been made, also the village hall hiring fees. The wayleave from National Power Grid has been received.

Current balances	Community Account	£867.96	
	Business Money Manager	£95.07	<u>Total £963.03</u>

5. Changes to banking arrangements for parish councils and YLCA membership:

The Clerk reported that the changes to banking arrangements for parish councils do not prevent any council maintaining a 2 signatory policy. The council agreed to continue to have two signatories to the bank account, the chairman and the vice chairman.

Membership of YLCA would attract an annual fee of £124, based on an electorate of 247, payable on March 31st. The chief benefits are access to legal advice and the services of a solicitor, briefings on specific topics and branch meetings. It was decided not to take up membership for the current year but to reconsider at the March meeting in 2019.

6. Children's Play Area

Alastair reported that Streetscape have just completed the quarterly inspection; the next is due in September but can be deferred to January. Alastair and Neil will carry out their first inspections in April and July.

Alastair met with a Streetscape representative on July 17th to go through the inspection process. The representative pointed out that the gates were not correct for a play area. The council decided to treat this information as advisory, not necessitating action.

The representative insisted that the zip-wire is set up correctly and should function adequately. It was also noted that the bases of the legs of the play equipment are showing some damage. The Clerk was asked to check the insurance documents for conditions relating to strimming of the grass near to the equipment and to write to Charles Walker directing him not to trim the grass around the legs of the installations.

7. Family footpath walk: Dealt with above.

8. Digital speed warning signs:

The results of the parish survey have been collated and indicate that 50% of the parishes would consider purchasing and maintaining a Speed Indicator Device. The members of the review group have agreed to recommend that the County Council changes its policy to make this possible. Annabel confirmed that the recommendations are going to the Executive for approval.

9. Police Report:

No crime had been recorded in the parish. The report highlighted the huge increase in 999 and 101 calls being received. Guidance on when to use these numbers will be added to the police website.

10. Village sign on Mounstrall Lane:

Once again this sign has been knocked over. It was agreed to have it reinstated by Mike Phillips. Alastair agreed to organise this.

11. Planning applications:

i) 18/00494/FUL The construction of a slurry pit at Low Brockholme Farm has been approved.

ii) 18/00627/FUL Brian confirmed that he was quite content that the application, for change of land-use and erection of a domestic outbuilding, at Ashwood in Danby Wiske should be a delegated decision.

12. Correspondence.:

Receipt of a flyer requesting nominations for Hambleton Sports Awards 2018.

13. Parish Plan review:

Alastair reported that he had reviewed the actions in the parish plan and that most of them had been completed.

14. Any other business:

i) It was suggested that a village photograph be planned for 2020 continuing on from those taken in 2000 and 2010. It was also suggested that some notes on the history of the village be displayed, possibly on the notice board on the green.

ii) There is a tree obscuring a streetlight on the road to Streetlam. Annabel suggested using the Parish Portal to report this.

iii) Annabel reported that all is ready to replace the bridge on the footpath running from Danby Wiske station to Lovesome Hill. The public footpath from Streetlam to Danby Wiske is to be improved, with attention being given to access and stiles. All landowners being affected had been consulted.

iv) Alastair had been approached by a parishioner to report a near accident on Danby Wiske Road. A car reversing out of the children's home drive had caused the parishioner to spin off the road. The Clerk will write to the company in charge with a copy to highways. Annabel suggested copying to Councillor Caroline Dickinson also.

v) Claire Hampson has attended an award ceremony in respect of litter responsibility.

15. Date of next meeting: Thursday 6th September 2018

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.40 pm.