

**Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Ampleforth Parish Council
held in the Village Hall on Thursday 21st May 2015 at 7.30pm, followed by the Parish
Council Meeting.**

Present Councillors Toynbee (Chairman), Lane, Raynar, Shepherd & Moreton.
Also Present L Pink (Clerk), Jim Tucker, District Councillor James Bailey and 4 members of the public.

A1. Election of Chairman

Councillor Toynbee was elected as Chairman.

A2. Chairman's declaration of office

Councillor Toynbee signed the declaration of acceptance of office as Chairman.

A3. Election of Vice Chairman

Councillor Raynar was elected as Vice Chairman.

1. Apologies

None.

2. Code of Conduct and the Ethical Framework

There were no declarations under the code of conduct.

3. Minutes

The council resolved that the minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 2nd April 2015 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation

A number of members of the public were present to raise concerns regarding this month's planning applications.

5. Exchange of information

Documents Circulated

- Came & Company Council Matters newsletter
- Letter from NYCC re renewal of local bus services in Ryedale
- Letter from NYCC re library consultation update.
- Ryedale Safer Neighbourhood April 2015 crime statistics and report.

Correspondence

- Clerk advised she had received an email from a company called Smartwheelie who produce a range of speed awareness wheelie bin stickers. It was discussed and agreed that this may be an effective and cost effective way of encouraging drivers to slow down and stick to the speed limit in areas of the village that are plagued with speeding motorists. It was agreed for the Clerk to purchase a pack of 50 stickers as a trial at a cost of £43.50. Once the Clerk is in receipt of the stickers a notice to be displayed both within the shop and on the notice board asking people to contact the Parish Council if they would be willing to display a sticker on their wheelie bin.
- Email from a resident enquiring as to whether the Parish Council are aware of the petition generated by Sutton under Whitestonecliff Parish Council to ban lorries from Sutton Bank. Clerk advised the resident that the Parish Council are aware of this and they will continue to monitor the situation.

Clerk's Report

Nothing noted.

6. Planning

a) To consider the following applications -

15/00385/HOUSE Sunnyside, Station Road, Ampleforth, York
Erection of single storey rear extension following removal of garden store.
Applicant – Mr Martin Airey
Ryedale District Council
Decision - No Objection

15/00465/CAT Fossil House, Main Street, Ampleforth, York
1 x Small Ash – Crown lift to approx. 6.5m, reduce prolonged branches by 1m and 1 x
Sycamore – to be removed.
Applicant – Mr D Sullivan
Ryedale District Council
Decision – No Objection

NYM/2015/0180/FL Prospect House, Main Street, Ampleforth
Relocation of flue pipe and addition of soil ventilation pipe to annexe home office and
change of use to independent dwelling with parking and amenity space together with
erection of fencing and shed (retrospective).
North Yorks Moors National Park
Decision – The Parish Council wish to OBJECT to this application, on the following
grounds:-
Loss of a garden.
Parking will be a major issue.
The application is damaging to the conservation area.
This property is not a main residence for the applicants, despite the application stating
that it is for local residents.

NYM/2015/0160/FL Deanside, West End, Ampleforth
Construction of 1 no. local occupancy dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling
and garage and parking provision for both the new dwelling and Glenwood (revised
scheme to NYM/2014/0014/FL).
North Yorks Moor National Park
Decision – No Objection but the Parish Council have the following
concerns/comments:-
The Parish Council would like NYCC to consider carefully the type of glass that is used
due to strong concerns over light pollution. Could something be included in the approval
that would help to mitigate the light, ie. tinted glass or a reduction in the amount of glass
used or the height of the glass allowed within the property.
The property is located in a dark wood area and due to the level of glass proposed
within the living area this would create light pollution in the evening and glare from the
sun during the day.

15/00482/73A The Granary, Main Street, Ampleforth
Variation of Condition 23 to state ‘ No part of the development shall be brought into use
until the approved vehicle access, parking, manoeuvring and turning areas have been
constructed in accordance with the submitted drawing.
Applicant – Gem Holdings (York) Limited
Decision – The Parish Council wish to OBJECT to this application, on the following
grounds:-
Objection over the garages being removed.
Objection to the landscaping areas. The Parish Council would like to see this area used
for additional parking rather than landscaping, as there is insufficient parking allocated
to each property, with only one visitor space allocated.
This area already suffers badly with a lack of parking and the plans will make this
issue significantly worse.

b) To hear results of applications decided -

15/00153/FUL Land North of Sewage Works, Mill Lane, Ampleforth
Erection of 6 no. light industrial units (use Class B1) with associated parking and alterations to access track to include widening of the entrance and formation of passing places.
Decision – Approved

15/00189/TPO Honeysuckle Lodge, Mill Lane, Ampleforth
To crown lift T1 (Sycamore) to provide a maximum of 5m clearance from ground level, and crown thin by a maximum of 20%, within TPO No 85/1986.
Decision – Approved

7. Finance, Audit and Governance

7.1 Below payments agreed and cheques signed:-

200224	L Pink	Clerks Salary (Net)	£484.77
200225	L Pink	Expenses	£104.12
200226	Alec Thrower	Litter Picking – March	£96.00
200227	Alec Thrower	Litter Picking – April	£96.00
200229	Douglas Tonks	Payroll Services	£12.00
200230	John Dawson	Grass Cutting	£156.00
200231	Village Hall Trust	Village Hall Hire Costs 2014-2015	£145.50
		TOTAL	£1,094.39

7.2 To discuss approval of any invoices received after production of the agenda -

200228 Alec Thrower Litter Picking - May £96.00

Note: Invoice received from North Yorkshire County Council for 2014/15 Maintenance Costs £1,413.95. It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate these costs and add the invoice to the list of payments on the June agenda.

7.3 The following income was noted -

01.04.15	St Hilda's Church	Half costs for garden waste licence	£18.00
01.04.15	Ryedale District Council	Parish Precept – 1 st Instalment	£8,000
18.05.15	Mr T Wood	Payment for Common Shares 1&2	£140.00
20.05.15	Northern Powergrid	Wayleaves Agreement	£27.53

7.4 Any other urgent request submitted prior to the meeting:-

Clerk's annual salary increase

As per the Clerk's contract and terms and conditions it was agreed that the Clerk would automatically move up a pay band, as of the 1st April 2015.

To agree the end of year figures for 2014/15

The figures in Section 1 and the statements in Section 2 of the External Audit form were agreed and both sections signed by the Chairman. Clerk advised that she is going to internal audit on Friday 29th May 2015.

To agree the insurance details for 2015/16

Clerk advised that she had received the insurance renewal from Came & Company at a cost of £619.89 inc premium tax. 2 further quotations were obtained, one higher than the cost of the renewal and one less. Following a conversation with the current insurers they reduced their quotation to £309.94 inc premium tax. Therefore, it was agreed to go ahead with the renewal on a one year basis.

8. Matters Arising

Nothing noted.

9. Exceptional Items

Clerk confirmed that the village hall sign has now been removed and should be replaced by a new sign shortly.

Clr Shepherd advised that the 'York' sign is broken. Clerk to investigate.

Concerns were raised over the state of the road on Old Station Road and the amount of pot holes. Clerk to raise with Highways.

10. Items for Next Agenda

None noted.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was fixed as 7.30pm on Thursday 4th June.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Chairman

Date