

**Minutes of the Ampleforth Parish Council Meeting
held in the Village Hall on Thursday 3rd November 2016 at 7.30pm**

Present Councillors Toynebee (Chairman), Shepherd, Moreton & Wilding.

Also Present Louise Pink – Clerk.

1. Apologies

Councillor Grant.

2. Code of Conduct and the Ethical Framework

There were no declarations under the code of conduct.

3. Minutes

After discussion it was agreed that a minor change to the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 6th October 2016 was required to Section 4 – Public Participation. The wording on the 4th line to be amended to ‘to support ways of welcoming new people to the village – Welcoming the Stranger’. To be signed by the Chairman at the December meeting.

4. Public Participation

No members of the public present.

5. Reports from County and District Councillors

Nothing noted.

6. Exchange of information

Documents Circulated

- Nothing noted.

Correspondence

To discuss the official consultation letter received from North Yorks Moors National Park Authority regarding the BT programme of intended public payphone removal at both West End and Ampleforth Abbey. To discuss whether to request retention of the payphones and/or whether the Parish Council have any wish to adopt the phone boxes for £1 – After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would like to object to the removal of the BT public payphone on West End in Ampleforth, on the following grounds:-

- The village of Ampleforth suffers from very bad mobile phone signal.
- The statistics show that the payphone has been used 68 times in the past year. The Parish Council feel that this usage does justify a need to retain the public payphone. Clerk to issue the response to North York Moors National Park Authority.

Clerk's Report

- The Clerk advised that she has recently been approached by the North Yorkshire Police (NYP) Community Speed Watch Co-Ordinator regarding a potential speed watch scheme in West End to help with the problem of speeding in this location. The email received advised that NYP visited the location in April this year to gather speed data over the period of a week and, following analysis of this data, NYP believe that Community Speed Watch is the most suitable outcome for this location. The Community Speed Watch Scheme is designed to support local communities to improve road safety by allowing residents to address speed concerns in their community, thus helping to improve the quality of life for residents. A team of volunteers would visit the site with a radar to record the speed and registration number of offending vehicles. Anyone caught speeding would then receive a letter from NYP, to inform them of their offence and of the need to address their driving behaviour. A minimum of six volunteers

is required to start the scheme. It was agreed for this to be included within the next newsletter, asking if any resident would like to become a volunteer to contact the Clerk so that their details can be passed on to the relevant parties.

- Clerk to submit the new VIUA (Visually Important Undeveloped Area), provided by Cllr Wilding for the view looking north from the top of Millway, across open fields.
UPDATE: Following submission to RDC the Clerk was advised that this specific land already forms part of the VIUA which extends between North of Millway, up to the properties on Main Street, and across to Station Road and land south of the Church.

7. Planning

a) To consider the following applications:-

16/01692/CAT The Rectory, Main Street, Ampleforth
T1 Beech – To reduce back the crown by 4m to suitable laterals. Main fork inspected and Ivy removed. T2 Mixed small trees and shrubs – Removal all to ground level T3 Overgrown Beech hedge and Holly tree – Reduce to hedge height to 2m.
Applicant – Mr G Andrews
Ryedale District Council
Decision – No Objection.

b) To hear results of applications decided – None.

c) Notes – Nothing noted.

8. Finance, Audit and Governance

8.1. The Clerk submitted the following accounts for payment by BACS:-

L Pink	Clerks Salary (Net)	£440.98
L Pink	Expenses	£42.73

The accounts listed for payment were accepted. Clerk to make the payments via BACS using the online banking process.

8.2. The Clerk submitted no accounts for payment by cheque.

8.3. The following invoices were received after the production of the agenda and after discussion agreed for payment:-

Autela Limited	Payroll Services (pension services)	£30.00	BACS
Richard Wedgwood	2016 Village verge cutting	£2300.00	BACS
Richard Wedgwood	Grass Cutting – Churchyard & Millennium Green	£168.00	BACS
Alec Thrower	Litter Picking	£144.00	BACS
L Pink	HSBC Compensation	£100.00	BACS

8.3. The following income was noted:-

HSBC	Compensation	£150.00
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8.4. Any other urgent request submitted to the meeting – Nothing noted.

9. Matters Arising

(a) To review the first draft newsletter – Following discussion Clerk to make the agreed amendments. Once done, finalised newsletter to be sent to all councillors by email before going to print.

(b) The arrangements for the open meeting to be held on the 1st December to discuss the recently released S106 money were discussed.

10. Exceptional Items

Nothing noted.

11. Items for Next Agenda

Open meeting to discuss the S106 money.

12. Date of Next Meeting

13. The date of the next meeting was fixed as 7.30pm on Thursday 1st December 2016. This will begin with the open meeting to discuss the S106 money which will be held prior to the usual monthly meeting and will begin at 6.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Chairman

Date