

**Minutes of the Ampleforth Parish Council Meeting
held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 20th July 2016 at 7.30pm**

Present Councillors Shepherd (Acting Chairman), Moreton, Grant & Shepherd.
Also Present Louise Pink – Clerk

1. Apologies

Councillors Toynbee & Wilding.

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 June 2016 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. Public Participation

1 member of the public was present at the meeting.

5. Reports from County and District Councillors

Nothing noted.

6. Exchange of information

Documents Circulated

- Email from 95 Alive regarding free older driver refresher driving courses. Details added to website.
- Email from Moors Buses showing times of services in July, August & September. Timetable added to noticeboard.
- White Rose Update – June Edition.
- June Crime Statistics from the Police & Crime Commissioner.

Correspondence

Clerk's Report

Nothing noted.

7. Planning

a) To consider the following applications:-

16/00995/FUL Ampleforth Monastrey, Ampleforth
Erection of glazed entrance lobby and associated link bridge to north elevation, installation of external flue to north facing roofslope, replacement and refurbishment of windows to all elevations and formation of fire door and access ramp to south elevation.

Applicant Name – Mr David Read

Ryedale District Council

Decision - No Objection

16/00900/HOUSE Fairfax House, Mill Lane, Ampleforth – REVISED DOCUMENTS
Erection of two storey extension to rear elevation, single storey extension to side elevation and detached two storey garage/workshop to include ancillary accommodation above together with installation of electric entrance gates following demolition of existing extension and outbuilding.

Applicant Name – Mendham & Perez

Ryedale District Council

Decision - The Parish Council wish to re-iterate their original objection to this planning application and are objecting on the following grounds:-

This building would have a large visual impact on the village as a whole.

The building has a history within the village and the Parish Council feel that this history would be lost if planning consent was given.

The proposed electronic gates are not in keeping with the current look of the village.

b) To hear results of applications decided:-

16/00955/HOUSE The Granary, Main Street, Ampleforth

Erection of porch to west elevation.

Approved

8. Finance, Audit and Governance

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

200331	HMRC	Tax & NI	£475.60
200334	L Pink	Expenses	£45.30
200335	Alec Thrower	Litter Picking - June	£96.00
200336	Alec Thrower	Litter Picking - July	£96.00
200337	Alec Thrower	Litter Picking - August	£96.00
200338	Richard Wedgwood	Grass Cutting- Cemetery & churchyard	£336.00
200339	Richard Wedgwood	Grass Cutting – Millennium Green	£200.00
200341	L Pink	Salary – June	£493.78
200342	L Pink	Salary – July	£493.78

The accounts listed for payment were accepted and the signing of the cheques therefore authorised.

8.2. The following invoices were received after the production of the agenda and after discussion agreed for payment and the signing of the cheques therefore authorised:-

200340	Ian Scott	Internal Audit	£50.00
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8.3. The following income was noted:-

Osballdwick Parish Council	Reimbursement for PO Box number cost	£78.00
Clifton (Without) Parish Council	Reimbursement for PO Box number cost	£78.00
Sheriff Hutton Parish Council	Reimbursement for PO Box number cost	£78.00

8.4. Any other urgent request submitted to the meeting.

(i) To receive internal auditors report for the 2015/16 financial year accounts - Clerk advised that the internal auditor carried out the internal audit of the 2015/16 accounts on the 26th May 2016. The auditors only suggestion was that the signatories on the cheques sign the invoices to which they refer. This suggestion has now been adopted. A recommendation was included relating to the reserves held following a change in the Local Government Act. The auditor advised that the recommended reserve is now between 6 to 12 months of the council's precept and it was suggested that 6 months of the annual precept would be appropriate for a council of this size. After discussion it was agreed that reserves of 6 months of the annual precept would be very low and against anticipated expenditure.

(ii) To discuss quotations for the repair work within the Millennium Green – After discussion it was agreed for Alec Thrower to go ahead with the required repairs, including a new bench and the repairs to the fence.

(iii) It was agreed for the Parish Council to change its payroll service's provider to Autela Payroll Services.

9. Matters Arising

(a) To discuss and agree a replacement representative for the Ampleforth United Charities board – To be varied over to the September agenda.

(b) To review and discuss the information obtained from the Ryedale District Council Planning Department regarding properties within the village that have been granted change of use status to a holiday let – Clerk to request same information from North Yorkshire County Council.

(c) To discuss what assistance the Parish Council can provide to the volunteers of the pensioners lunch club – After discussion it was agreed that Cllr Moreton would try and appoint some new volunteers.

(d) To discuss update on the suggestion boxes – After discussion it was agreed that these will not be taken further at this stage.

10. Exceptional Items

Clerk to report the public right of way on West End, opposite the White Horse to NYCC.

11. Items for Next Agenda

To discuss and agree a replacement representative for the Ampleforth United Charities board.

To discuss possible newsletter articles for the up-coming newsletter.

12. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was fixed as 7.30pm on Thursday 1st September 2016.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Chairman

Date