

**Minutes of the Ampleforth Parish Council  
held in the Village Hall on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020 at 7.30pm**

**Present** Councillors Shepherd, Moreton, Grant & Carter.

**Also Present** 4 members of the public (3 part meeting only).

**1. Apologies**

None.

**2. Code of Conduct and the Ethical Framework**

None declared.

**3. Minutes**

The council resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 were agreed and signed by the Chair.

**4. Reports from County and District Councillors**

None present.

**5. Exchange of information**

**Documents Circulated**

- White Rose Update – Various
- YLCA – Training E-Bulletin
- NYCC – Road Closure - Old Station Road, Ampleforth.
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- YLCA – Branch Meetings.

**Correspondence**

- The notice of resignation as councillor received from Rachel Speight-McGregor was noted. Clerk advised she has informed RDC and will display the necessary notices. Query made by the chair as to whether the normal notices would currently be suitable due to the Covid19 restrictions. Clerk to check with RDC.
- The chair advised that she had received an email from a resident expressing concerns over the traffic diversions and management in place during the closure of Sutton Bank. It was agreed to try and organise a meeting with Highways prior to next years closure to discuss the issues that residents face during the closure process.
- The email issued from RDC regarding the proposal from North Yorkshire County Council to create a 'super council' was discussed. Clerk to contact Cllr Caroline Goodrick to ask her opinions on the proposals.
- The email and letter received from the North Yorks Moors regarding the National Park woodland creation project proposal at South View Farm and within the Parish was discussed. It was agreed that the parish council think this is a great idea and as such, fully support the proposals. Clerk to advise North Yorks Moors.
- The letter received from the Citizens Advice regarding a request for funding was discussed. However, it was decided that, at this time, the parish council do not wish to provide any funding at present.

**Clerk's Report**

- Nothing noted.

**6. Planning**

(a) No new planning applications were received.

b) The following result of applications decided was received:-

20/00068/FUL                      Becksides Cottage, Thorpe Lane, Ampleforth  
Demolition of existing three bedroom dwelling and attached double garage and erection of a four bedroom replacement dwelling and detached 4no. bay garage with gym and store, undercroft to house together with timber entrance gates and 1.8 metre high stone wall at the site entrance from the public highway.  
APPROVED.

c) Notes - It was agreed for the Chair and Cllr Grant to attend the planned site visit by RDC in relation to planning application 20/00626/FUL – Knoll Hill Farm.

## 7. Finance, Audit and Governance

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

L Pink	Clerks salary	£587.63
L Pink	Expenses	£69.28

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

8.2. No payments were submitted for payment by cheque.

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

Steve's Garden Services	Grass cutting	£495.00	BACS
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8.4. The following income was received:-

Ryedale District Council	Parish Precept – 2 <sup>nd</sup> instalment	£8,000	BACS
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8.5. Any other urgent request submitted to the meeting – Nothing noted.

## 8. Matters Arising

(a) An update on the common shares was provided by the chair. She advised that following a meeting the following 4 points to be agreed:-

1. The parish council will write to all existing common share tenants to offer them the opportunity to buy 'their' Common Share, or to continue renting them on the existing terms.
2. The parish council will not insist that existing tenants sign up to new tenancy agreements.
3. The parish council will engage with existing tenants to create more appropriate common share type tenancy agreements.
4. Vacant common shares will be advertised to enable interested villagers to apply. Plots 3 and 5 are vacant to advertise. 3 woodland and common land.

After a voting process by all councillors the above 4 points were all agreed.

(b) The grass cutting contract for 2021 was discussed and after discussion, it was resolved that the parish council are happy to continue with the services of the current grass cutter for the 2021 season. Clerk to advise the grass cutter.

## 9. Exceptional Items

Clerk to ask Gerard Thompson to check all grit bins to establish whether any need filling prior to the winter season.

Chair to write to Tim Coyne @ NYCC Highways to express the parish council's thanks for the recent works to Old Station Road that have been carried out to an excellent standard.

#### **10. Items for Next Agenda**

Articles for the next newsletter.

To discuss the issue of snow clearing during the winter season.

#### **11. Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was fixed as Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020 @ 7.30pm.

Clerk to arrange a test Zoom meeting in October.

#### **Action List:-**

Given the current situation, Clerk to check with RDC as to whether there is any change in the arrangements for displaying the current parish council vacancy.

Chair to write to Tim Coyne @ NYCC Highways to express the parish council's thanks for the recent works to Old Station Road that have been carried out to an excellent standard.

Clerk to contact Cllr Caroline Goodrick to ask her opinions on the NYCC 'super council' proposals.

Clerk to advise North Yorks Moors that the parish council fully support the woodland creation project proposal.

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Clerk to advise grass cutter that the parish council wish to continue with his services for the 2021 season.

Clerk to set up a test Zoom meeting.

Clerk to write to the current common share holders as per discussions during the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.00pm.

**Chair**

**Date**