



The routine monthly meeting of the Danby Group Parish Council took place on **Wednesday 18th July 2018** at Castleton Village Hall.

Present : Councillors: G Banner (Chair), P Stonehouse, J Day, E Watson, R Rudsdale, I Dodsworth, C/Cllr C Pearson, J Preston (Clerk) and 2 members of the public (1 for the whole meeting and one who left after item 8.2 was dealt with).

Minutes of the Meeting

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr R Findlay

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Rudsdale declared an interest in agenda item 7.3 – planning application ref the Moors Centre.

Cllr Banner declared an interest in agenda item 8.2 – grant application ref the Heather Hopper.

3. Minutes – The Minutes routine meeting held on 13th June 2018 were accepted by resolution as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4. Matters Arising

The Clerk advised all issues raised by members at last month's meeting had been reported and addressed by Highways. The gullies in Strait Lane, Ainthorpe will be attended to as part of the routine cleaning program. Danby and Castleton gullies are to be cleaned in the next few days as per information from Area 3 Highways.

5. Parish Council vacancy

The Clerk reported that two formal applications to fill the current vacancy on the Parish Council had been received and that one of the applicants was present and seeking to speak in support of her application. This was allowed by the Chair and a brief oral presentation was made by the applicant. Members were of the view that in order to be fair to the second applicant she should be invited to the next meeting and thereby also given an opportunity to speak in support of her application. The decision as to who would be most suitable to fill the vacancy would therefore be left in abeyance until the September meeting of the Parish Council.

Agenda item 8.2 Grant application ref the Heather Hopper

This item was taken out of sequence and dealt with at this point. The Vice Chairman, Cllr Day took the Chair's role.

A member of the public was present and she spoke in support of the application explaining the reasons behind the application being made. A number of questions were posed by members and by the Clerk and the merits of the application were debated at length. Ultimately members resolved to support the application granting the sum of £250.

6. External Reports – none presented.

7. Planning

- 7.1** Planning application NYM/2018/0374/FL i.e. an application for the creation of car park to serve the existing village centre (revised scheme to NYM/2017/0605/FL) at land adjacent to Botton Village Store, Botton Village, Danby. Members resolved to **object** to this application. The application is fundamentally the same as an earlier refused application in respect of a car

Signed as a true record:(Chair) Date:

park at Botton Village, (1) members are not satisfied a proper business case is made out to warrant building such a large carpark and (2) the car park will be somewhat of an eyesore being highly visible from near and far.

- 7.2** Planning application NYM/2018/0372/FL i.e. an application to demolish a former farm workers restroom and to construct a building to serve as annexe accommodation together with retaining wall (part retrospective) at Ainthorpe House, 1 Brook Lane, Ainthorpe. **No objections.**
- 7.3** Planning application NYM/0383/R3 ie an application under Regulation 3 (Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992) for the creation of quoits pitch on the recreation field at south east corner of the overflow carpark/recreation field at The Moors Centre, Danby. Members resolved to **support** this application on the basis of it being in respect of a strong local tradition.
- 7.4** Planning application NYM/0182/FL ie application for conversion of redundant agricultural buildings to a local occupancy letting unit and resurfacing of access track at Westgate Farm, Commondale. **No objections.**
- 7.5** Proposal regarding a new broadleaved woodland planting project at Howe End, Danby. **No objections.**

8 **Accounts / Financial**

- 8.1** Members resolved to settle all outstanding invoices and cheques were signed accordingly.
- 8.2** See above

9. **Data Protection**

- 9.1** Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated a draft of the proposed Parish Council's Data Protection Policy. The document was approved by members as drafted and publication on the Council's website was approved.
- 9.2** The Clerk reported that in order to be compliant with legislation the Council's website needed to be amended with regards 'third party cookies'. The website providers were able to undertake this work for a one off charge of £60 – members approved this expenditure.

10. Correspondence

None received.

11. Highways and other issues raised / to be reported

Cllr Day reported that a member of the public had approached him suggestion a one way traffic system should be introduced for Castleton. Members rejected pursuing this suggestion deeming the road layout wholly unsuitable.

Cllr Stonehouse queried the length of time it was taking to finish the road works / ditch digging on the approach to six arches bridge on the Castleton / Danby low road.

Cllr Rudsdale raised a concern with regards the mess sheep are making on the children's play area – Cllr Day to investigate / check the gate

Meeting Closed 8.30pm

Next meeting 7pm, Wednesday 12th September 2018