



The routine monthly meeting of the Danby Group Parish Council took place on **Wednesday 6th March 2019** at Castleton Village Hall.

Present : Councillors: G Banner (Chair), I Dodsworth, J Day, S Medd, I Margetts, R Findlay together with J Preston (Clerk) and one member of the public

Minutes of the Meeting

1. **Apologies for absence** Cllr R Rudsdale, E Watson & P Stonehouse.
2. **Declarations of Interest** None declared.
3. **Minutes** The Minutes routine meeting held on 13th February 2019 were accepted by resolution as a true record and signed by the Chair.
4. **Matters Arising**
The Clerk reported that an update had been received from Highways ref Christy Gate Road and Broadgate Road i.e. that repairs had been scheduled to both. Cllr Findlay reported that work on Christy Gate Road had been taking place today (6/3).
Salt piles had also been reportedly replenished near to Long Green Farm. Cllr Findlay expressed his continued disappointment / frustration ref the lack of salt piles / bins on Westerdale Side.
5. **May Borough & Parish Council Elections**
The Clerk delivered a PowerPoint briefing and handed out the nomination packs to those councillors present. Nomination packs had been hand delivered to the Councillors who were absent.
6. **External Reports** - no reports presented on this occasion, Police Report published on line
7. **Planning**
 - 7.1 Planning Application NYM/2019/0078/CU in respect of a change of use of a former cattery building to a joiner's workshop (personal/hobby use) (retrospective) at Valley View Farm, Station Road, Castleton – resolved 'no objection'.
 - 7.2 Planning application NYM/2019/0077/FL i.e. an application for creation of car park to serve existing village centre (revised scheme to NYM/2018/0374/FL) at land adjacent to Botton Village Store, Botton Village – resolved 'objection' In respect of this matter the Application form and proposed plans were viewed via the NYMNPA planning portal and discussed at length. The plans include a drawing of current view of the proposed carpark area, which has six parking bays set out, a drawing alongside shows what the area would look like after creation of the new carpark area for 20 vehicles, in this view the 6 original bays have been lost. Therefore creation of this parking bay would result in the addition of 14 extra parking places. The Planning Application form however states there are currently 22 places available, the application is for the creation of 20 bays hence a net loss of 2 spaces. Previously submitted applications have clearly stated extra car parking spaces are needed The information provided is ambiguous, the lack of information and explanation ref the overall reduction in parking places is felt to be unacceptable.
8. **Accounts / Financial**
The statement of accounts for the preceding month was approved by resolution and payments thereby authorised.

Signed as a true record:(Chair) Date:

9. The Annual Parish Assembly will take place on Wednesday 10th April at 6.30pm in Castleton Village Hall in advance of the routine Parish Council Meeting. It was decided not to invite a guest speaker on this occasion. The meeting is to be publicised as an informal opportunity to question the Parish Council on their performance / achievements over the previous 12 months and an opportunity to debate issues which affect the community in general.

10. Correspondence

- a)** For information – meeting of the Northern Area parish Forum 7pm Tuesday 2nd April in Westerdale Village Hall.
- b)** For information – letter received from NYMNPA ref the withdrawal of the planning application 28 Church Street Castleton.
- c)** For information - letter received from NYMNPA advising that Member Appointments to the National Park Authority will be available after the Parish Council election in May.
- d)** E-mail from the Secretary Danby / Westerdale PCC asking for an increase in the level of financial support given by the Parish Council. The Parish receives a sum of money from SBC by way of the Model Agreement which is specifically earmarked for churchyard maintenance. The full amount received (which increases year on year in line with inflation) is divided equally between the various PCC's, no other money is available at this time. Clerk to respond accordingly.

11. Items reported by Parish Councillors

Nothing reported on this occasion

Meeting Closed 8.07pm

Next meeting Wednesday 10th April 2019
immediately following the Annual Parish Assembly 6.30pm