



The routine monthly meeting of the Danby Group Parish Council took place on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019** at Castleton Village Hall.

**Present :** Councillors: G Banner (Chair), J Day, S Medd, R Rudsdale, I Dodsworth, R Findlay, I Margetts together with J Preston (Clerk) and 2 members of the public

### **Minutes of the Meeting**

1. **Apologies for absence** Received from Cllr's Stonehouse and Watson

2. **Declarations of Interest** None declared.

### **Public Presentation - Boulby Potash Mine**

Katie Robinson, the External Affairs Communications Officer for Boulby Mine and one of her colleagues were in attendance and gave a presentation to members of the Parish Council and members of the public with regards to the extension of planning approval at the Boulby Mine. It was explained that the current planning approval expires in 2023 and a new 25 year application is to be made.

3. **Minutes** The Minutes of the meetings held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 were accepted by resolution as a true record and were signed by the Chair.

### **4. Matters Arising**

- I. **Highways issues:** The Clerk advised that all highways issues which had been raised by members had been reported to the County Council. No specific information / feedback was available and a written report had been circulated in advance of the meeting.
- II. **Abbeyfields & Commondale defibrillators:** Cllr Banner reported that he had investigated but had not been able to resolve the electrical issues evident with the 2 defibrillators. Enquiries had been made at Abbeyfields but they had declined to contribute to the costs incurred.
- III. **Decommissioning of phone boxes:** The objections raised ref the decommissioning of phone boxes at Commondale, Westerdale and the one near to the expedition centre at Fryup had been adopted by SBC who will provide a coordinated response to the survey.
- IV. **Article 4 Directions:** A lengthy letter had been sent to NYMNPA outlining concerns about the constraints imposed by way of Article 4 Planning Restrictions. An acknowledgement has been received with a more detailed response to follow, it is likely the issues raised by DGPC will go before the Planning Committee in February 2020.

5. **External Reports** None presented.

### **6. Planning Applications**

Members considered the following Planning Applications:

**6.1 NYM/2019/0676/FL.** Application for erection of conservatory to south elevation (revised scheme following withdrawal of NYM2019/0268/FL) at Cowl Banks, Ainthorpe Lane. **Resolved – No objections**

**6.2 NYM/2019/0692/FL.** Application for alterations including works to the shop front and change of use of first and second floors to create a unit to be occupied as either a local occupancy or holiday letting dwelling at 28 Church Street, Castleton. **Resolved – No objections**

**6.3 NYM/2019/0737/FL.** Application for variation of condition 2 of planning approval NYM4/043/0250C to allow the sale of alcohol and evening opening at Danby Bakery, 3 Briar Hill, Danby. **Resolved – Support** – an enhancement to a well-established local business which will benefit the local and wider community and provide employment opportunities.

Signed as a true record: .....(Chair) Date: .....

## **7. Accounts / Financial**

7.1 By resolution the monthly statement of accounts was approved and payment of outstanding invoices was thereby authorised.

7.2 Members considered a grant application on behalf of Esk Moors Active Ltd towards the running costs of the Heather Hopper minibus. By resolution the application was rejected.

## **8. Correspondence**

8.1 Members considered an application to re-route Public footpath 96 Danby, which follows a route to the rear of Botton Grove, Danby Head. The applicant was in attendance and explained the reasons behind the application which members resolved to support.

8.2 VE Day 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – members considered possible involvement in celebrations of the Anniversary on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Part of the commemorations planned involves the ringing of Church bells – clerk to write to the Parochial Church Councils.

8.3 Members considered correspondence from NYMNPA ref a proposed woodland creation project at Botton Grove Farm. Noted, no comment / further action necessary.

8.4 Members considered correspondence from NYMNPA ref the possibility of applying for a Village Improvement Scheme Grant. Grant application to be further explored / pursued by Cllr Day with regards enhancements to the play area.

## **9. Items reported by Parish Councillors**

The following issues were raised:

- Potholes on the road between Maddy House Farm and Haggaback Farm
- Grit heap in need of replenishment – post box corner Westerdale Side.
- Silt on the road at Duck Bridge water splash due to recent flooding
- Possible blocked culverts at the water splash near to Westerdale cricket field
- Toad beck, Ainthorpe silted up
- Commondale – can the Village Caretaker look to spend more time in the village grass cutting / weed killing.

**Meeting Closed 8.50pm**

**Next meeting Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at 7pm**