

A meeting of Burythorpe Parish Council was held on Monday 8th March 2010 at Burythorpe Church Hall, following an open discussion about the VDS.

Present: Brig R Preston (Chair), Mr E Wall, Mrs J Wilson, Mr T Hill, Miss D Hill, Mr D Hodzman, Mrs S Bond, Mr C Turner and Mrs V Hood. Also Mrs S Syms (clerk) and one member of the public.

1. APOLOGIES

None.

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2. MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and it was agreed that they were a true record and so were signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING

None not already on agenda.

4. TO REVIEW THE VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT

Following comments taken from villagers as to their views on the VDS, it was agreed to consult everyone in the parish via an attachment to the newsletter in 6 months. Because RDC is not going to have its Core Strategy review ready until the end of next year, it will not be useful to change Burythorpe's VDS before this, as it must be linked to have any weight.

Action: all to consider content of consultation to go out in Sept/Nov

5. TO REVIEW THE PRECEPT

Expenses were looked at and money saving ideas considered. These were:

Church hall car park rent and insurance – VCC to look at

Public liability insurance – clerk to look for alternative quotes – anything via RDC?

Newsletter and website – possible sponsors? – suggest in newsletter

Church grass cutting – EW to do for petrol costs only

Chairman's expenses – RP doesn't want

Action: RP, clerk

6. TO DISCUSS AND FINALLY APPROVE THE 'WELCOME LETTER'

The letter was approved. 'Spotters' appointed to drop off letter to new residents are: RP (Thornton and Menethorpe), JW (village), DHodzman (Eddlethorpe) and TH (Kennythorpe). Copies can be downloaded or requested from Saskia.

Action: RP, JW, DHodzman, TH and clerk

7. TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL FUTURE USES OF RED TELEPHONE BOX

Suggestions included using it as a notice board, book swap place or incorporating it into new play area (which would involve moving it). Ideas to be asked for in newsletter.

Action: clerk

8. TO ORGANISE AGM

Katie Speed, NYCC's Ryedale Emergency Planning Officer, had offered to speak to the PC so it was agreed she would be invited to be this year's speaker at the AGM in May.

Action: clerk

9. CHEQUES TO BE AUTHORISED

Clerk's salary (Jan, Feb 2010) £120.83
P Johnson (newsletter printing Feb, Mar) £7.80
P Johnson (tub plants) £41.59
A Girling (village website host) £35.00
Burythorpe VCC (hall hire Nov) £12.00

- all approved.

10. AOB

The branches of the horse chestnut tree in the new churchyard were reported to be hanging very low. RP will mention at the VCC meeting.

Action: RP

DHodsman reported some dumping of rubble/earth in Eddlethorpe but it was thought to have been done by M Paine, and due to current circumstances it was thought best to leave the matter be for a while.

Beryl Lowe had asked for the position on the church car park and path grass cutting to be clarified. EW had done it last year at no cost and will continue to do this, providing that the fuel costs are covered.

Action: clerk

EW has trimmed the chestnut trees on the playing field side of the road but is reluctant to trim those on the other side without permission. RP to ask David Boak about trimming these.

Action: RP

There was a query about Ryecat ie how is it funded; who is eligible; how can it justify only carrying one passenger on a small bus. Clerk to find out more.

Action: clerk

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The meeting closed at 8.30pm. The date for the next meeting and AGM is **Monday 10th May 2010**.