

MICKLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Mickleton Parish Council, held on 18 April 2017 at 7pm in Mickleton Village Hall

PRESENT G Taffurelli (Chairman), M Hutchinson, P Thompson and K Walton
3 Parishioners attended

660 APOLOGIES – S Entwistle

661 DECLARATION OF INTEREST - None

662 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 MARCH 2017

These had been circulated, taken as read and signed.

663 TO CONSIDER ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES, NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA - None

664 PLANNING MATTERS

Minute 558.6 Crofts Farm – no further information

Minute 633.2 DM/17/00268/FPA – Garden Foot Cottage – Planning permission had been granted.

Minute 664.1 DM/17/00907/FPA Belgrave House – Change of use from 2 flats to single dwelling
No objections raised.

Minute 664.2 DM/17/00723/FPA Raintree Cottage, Low Side – Single storey rear extension –
no objections raised.

665 HIGHWAY MATTERS

Minute 29.1 Potholes,/Road Survey - P Thompson reported that he would undertake the survey within the next few weeks. The survey to be forwarded to councillors, prior to being sent to DCC.

Minute 192.4 Station Road roadside drains – P Thompson reported that one of the drains has been dug out and this has exposed the road edge.

Minute 400..1 Road Works – None reported for this month.

Minute 400.3 Flooding Issues - None

Minute 606.1 Tree at entrance to Dale View – P Thompson reported that the tree has now been removed, but the stone wall is in bad condition owing to damage from the tree and needed repairing. The tree roots need to be removed prior to the wall being repaired. A Atkinson has quoted £200 for the work, which the Council agreed.

As P Anderson has asked if a hedge could be planted to the back wall, to screen his property, at his expense, this was agreed.

Two residents have asked, as this is quite a sizeable plot, they would like to make a feature of the corner by planting the area up. Once planted up they felt the area would need minimal maintenance. The residents agreed to sign a disclaimer on the understanding that they would take over the area of ground at their own risk.

The Parish Council thanked Barbara and Terry Wilson for their very kind offer.

Minute 620.1 Cobblersgate Lane Road Junction – Clerk reported that the repairs to Park House garden wall had been done.

667 PLAGROUND AREA

Clerk reported that notification had been received that the ROSPA Inspection would be carried out in June.

M Hutchinson reported that the grass cutting would commence at the end of April.

667 VILLAGE SEATS

Seat near to the Kelton Road Junction – Clerk reported that a former Parishioner had carried out the repair work to this seat.

P Thompson stated that he would photograph the seats which needed the most work undertaking and these would be forwarded to DCC asking for repairs to be done..

It was also noted that the BT Telephone box was still working, but probably BT would not be modifying the coin box to take the new pound coins.

G Taffurelli thanked P Thompson for all the photography work that he has undertaken on behalf of the Parish Council.

668. FINANCE

Clerk reported that the Precept of £4037 had been received.

669 DERELICT PROPERTY NEXT TO BOGGS COTTAGE

The temporary repair work to the roof and guttering of the property had been completed.

670 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE TASK

30mph Signs – It was noted that the signs were turning green and they needed to be kept visible. Clerk to follow up with DCC.

671 TREES WITHIN THE VILLAGE AND THEIR CONSERVATION – DCC had noted our comments and if we had any further concerns to contact them.

672 BIG SPRING CLEAN - This had been undertaken by K Walton and his team of volunteers on 8 April, where 12 bags of rubbish had been collected.

K Walton and his band of volunteers were thanked for undertaking this annual litter pick.

673 PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS - The election was uncontested and the present 7 councillors were returned.

Clerk reminded everyone to complete and return their expense forms to DCC.

674 CORRESPONDENCE – None

Newsletter – M Hutchinson requested items for the forthcoming village newsletter. Clerk to supply various items relating to the Parish Council.

Water Supply to the West End of the Village – G Taffurelli reported that some residents were having issues with the water pressure. It was agreed that an item was placed in the Newsletter, asking for any residents who were having issues with their water pressure to their properties, to contact the Parish Council. The Parish Council would then contact Northumbrian Water to assess the current situation.

675 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 16 May 2017 6:30

This meeting would be the AGM followed by a Parish Council Meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8:10pm

Signed Date