

MICKLETON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of a meeting of Mickleton Parish Council, held on 17 June 2014 in Mickleton Village Hall

PRESENT: Councillors A Booth (Chairman), P Thompson, Mrs M Hutchinson and Mrs G Taffurelli.

2 Parishioners were also present.

173.APOLOGIES: K Walton.

Prior to the start of the meeting a site visit was undertaken to Belgrave House to look at the proposed planning application for the demolition of the workshop and the building of 4no houses.

174. DECLARATION OF INTEREST – None

175. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – These had been circulated, taken as read and signed.

176. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING – These had been circulated, taken as read and signed.

177. TO CONSIDER ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES, NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA – None.

178. PLANNING MATTERS

Minute 32.3 Arbeia - DCC had taken the owner to court, whereby the owner had been fined for the offence committed by failure to comply with the requirements of the 2013 Enforcement Notice. DCC are to continue to monitor the site to ensure compliance.

Minute 88.1 Bethlehem Barn – The removal of Condition 3 had been refused.

Minute 125.1 Bail Hill House – The erection of a garage/stable had been approved.

Minute 125.5 Cobblersgate Lane – Erection of 4 Dwellings. The Parish Council had submitted their complaint to DCC on 2 June, for which DCC had 10 working days to respond to the Parish Council. As no reply had been received within the timescale, it was agreed that if no reply was received by Thursday, a further complaint to be submitted regarding no reply received within the prescribed period. It was noted that no application for the demolition of the shed had been notified, but it had been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that it was in the Planning Officer's report.

Minute 125.4 Belle Settle – As the property was now in a state of demolition and according to the approved plans, the essential character of the building was to be retained. Clerk write to the Planning Department asking for a visit to the building site to ensure that the plans were being followed.

Minute 178.1 Land to the rear of Belgrave House - Demolition of the workshop and erection of 4no dwellings.

The Parish Council felt that the proposed housing development would be better than what the yard was currently being used for.

The Parish Council raised no objections to this proposed planning application with the proviso that the houses were built to strict conservation standards. The Parish Council also asked that when DCC was considering the planning approval to take in account the additional demand upon the water supply within the village and to be satisfied that it will have no detrimental effects to the rest of the village, as there are some complaints regarding water pressure.

179. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Minute 29.1 Potholes - It was noted that a number of repairs had been undertaken and the road sweeper had also been around the village.

Minute 101.2 Garden Hedge- As no action had been taken, as this was a holiday cottage, Clerk to write to the owner of the cottage.

Minute 113.1 Mill Lane flooding – It was reported that DCC staff had made a visit to look at the problems and then gone to see A Atkinson. The flooding was to be monitored.

Minute 126.1 Highway Verge, Bail Hill Road – The issue of the midden was still ongoing.

Minute 1401. Blocked drain near Ornella View – Clerk reported that she had been notified by DCC that this repair had been undertaken.

180. PLAYGROUND AREA

Minute 165.1 ROSPA Inspection – Clerk reported that she had been notified that the inspection was to be carried out sometime this month.

181. VILLAGE SEATS – no issues raised.

182. FINANCE – No finance issues

183. JOINT MEETING OF PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMEN

A Booth reported on a meeting that he had attended at Eggleston. DCC had given an explanation as to why the cycle race was to be held in July and they were looking at not holding the event at the same time next year

184. TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Clerk to attend the training day on 15 July at Sedgefield
30 July 2014 6pm Committee Room No 2, at County Hall – Planning Training Evening: Alan Booth and Pat Thompson to attend.

185. CORRESPONDENCE

Declaration of Interest Forms - Clerk reminded Councillors that they were required to check their details held by DCC and if there were any changes, they had to be notified.

Heart of Teesdale Photographic Competition “Teesdale View” closing dated 30 September

Campaign to Protect Rural England - Summer Newsletter

Councillors Ward Surgery – Mickleton Village Hall 26 June between 7pm and 8pm

186. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING AND MATTERS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

7pm 15 July 2014