

Minutes of the Rosedale Parish Council Meeting held on held on 20 July
2011

Members Present

Councillors: Ena Dent (Chair), Henry Brown (Vice Chair), Sue Austermuhle,
Richard Dent,
Angela Gage, Kate Jones, June Scarth, Maisie Storey, John Sugden, Richard
Wilkinson

In attendance: 11 members of the public

06096 Questions and statements from the public

Sara Goodswen made a statement saying that the church was in difficulty, and asking
the
public for help, both financial and volunteering.

06097 Declarations of interest

None were received.

06098 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 June 2011 were accepted as a true record and
signed
by the Chair.

06099 Community Group update

Colin Westwood informed the Council of the mixed progress that had been made
since the
Parish Plan, and said that there had been a proposal to update the Plan. He said that
there
would be a Community Group meeting on 2 August to discuss its role, and that
volunteers
were needed to help prepare for Rosedale Show.

06100 Broadband

The Council heard that Councillor Val Arnold had made a funding bid for £9000 for
Moorsweb.

06101 Councillors' Training

The Council heard of a Training and Development Programme by the Yorkshire
Local
Councils Association, who were running a three-day course in September.

Resolved: To investigate other sources of training.

06102 Electoral arrangements

In view of the correspondence between a Councillor, a member of the public and the
Ryedale
District Council solicitor, the Clerk advised the Council not to proceed unless they
received a
clear mandate from the public in the form of a petition by 51% of the electorate.

Resolved: For the Clerk to obtain information on the procedure of reform, if decided.

06103 Walkers Are Welcome scheme

The Council heard about the “Walkers Are Welcome” scheme, which would require Parish

Council approval. Councillor Jones said that the Business Forum would be happy to take it forward and bring it back to the Council.

06104 Passing place at Brick Cottage

Resolved: To write to NYCC about this issue.

06105 Hydroelectric scheme

No progress was reported on this issue. The Clerk said he would continue to investigate it.

06106 Allotments

Councillor Storey said that she did not believe the potato garths would be suitable as they

were currently full of tree roots. However she believed that allotment land might be available at Heygate.

Resolved: To investigate the possible new sites.

06107 Bow Bridge refurbishment

The Council heard that the drainage at Bow Bridge did not seem to be working.

Resolved: To write to Richard Marr requesting that the drainage, tarmacking and road

markings at Bow Bridge be sorted out at the same time that the bridge is closed for resurfacing of Chimney Bank.

06108 Highways issues

The Council considered the scheme by which Rosedale might buy its own grit, and also saw

photographs of road signs saying “Ignore sat-nav”.

Resolved: To request that Daleside Road as far as Hill Cottages, and Chimney Bank as

far as the White Horse, be upgraded as a priority for gritting in the next annual review;

To write to request “ignore sat-nav” signs at Chimney Bank.

06109 Community Access Improvements scheme

The Council heard that the work had gone very well, and that there would be more such days in future.

Resolved: To thank volunteers in the newsletter.

06110 Village pond

The Council heard that Alan Clark was waiting for the Council's approval to send a letter on the subject to the National Park Authority.

Resolved: To contact Mr Clark approving of the letter.

06111 Hill Cottages noticeboard

The Council heard that this noticeboard had been repaired by a local resident, and that Councillor Gage would like to pay for this personally. The Council expressed its thanks.

06112 Dog waste bin

The Council heard that there was a possibility of obtaining a subsidised bin.

Resolved: To position any new bin between the gateway and the big tree going up to the White Horse.

06113 Light at the Orange Tree

The Council heard that the new owner of the Orange Tree had agreed to the light being replaced, and that the Clerk would proceed with the issue.

06114 Village clock

No progress was reported.

06115 Finance

Cheques were signed for the Caretaker's expenses (£37.50) and for Raymac as the contribution towards the signs during the Bow Bridge work (£39.60). The Receipts and Payments Forecast was distributed to the Council and the public.

06116 Any other business

Councillor Scarth said that she had advised a resident to write to the Clerk about water running down Gill Lane.

Councillor Storey asked if the issue of dumping garden rubbish in the river could be placed in the newsletter, noted that the Thorgill name sign was up, and asked if the Caretaker could try to clear a blocked pipe under the road. She also asked if a possible road mirror at the junction at Thorgill could be discussed at the next meeting.

Councillor Austermuhle said that instead of purchasing seats for remembrance purposes, the National Park Authority was able to sell new hand gates with memorial plaques to replace stiles on favourite walks.

Councillor Richard Dent asked if the issue of dog fouling and littering could be placed on the next agenda.

Councillor Brown asked if the memorial bench on the village green could be placed on two slabs rather than one, and asked if the issue of a bus shelter could go on the next agenda.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as Thursday 11 August.