Minutes of the Rosedale Parish Council meeting held on 8 March 2012

Members present:

Councillors: Ena Dent (Chair), Henry Brown (Vice Chair), Sue Austermuhle, Richard

Dent, Angela Gage, Kate Jones, June Scarth, Maisie Storey, John Sugden

In attendance: Four members of the public

06252 Questions and statements from the public

No notice of any questions or statements had been received.

06253 Community Group update

A report was read from the Community Group. This said that the group was in touch with Rural Arts regarding possible future events, that the Parish Plan questionnaires would be distributed from 26 March, that the Reading Room AGM would take place on 16 April, and that a North York Moors consultation evening would take place at the Reading Room on 19 March.

06254 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 February 2012 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

06255 Declarations of interest and apologies

Councillor Jones declared an interest in the matter of relations with the Ross Estate. Councillor Sugden declared a non-pecuniary interest in the matter of broadband.

Apologies from Councillor Wilkinson were accepted by the Council.

06256 Relations with the Ross Estate

Councillor Jones reminded the Council that she had declared an interest in this matter and left the table for this item of business.

The Council noted a phone conversation between the Clerk and Rupert Drury, Mr Ross's agent, in which Mr Drury had said that while Mr Ross welcomed the Council's contact, he felt that the website being run by the Friends of the Milburn was a barrier. However he expressed an interest in meeting the Chair in the future.

The Council welcomed Mr Ross's willingness to meet, and the Vice Chair and Councillor Gage agreed to join any meeting. However the Council felt that it should not attempt to interfere with the activities of the Friends of the Milburn.

06257 Emergency Planning

A comment was read from a member of the public doubting the necessity of an Emergency Plan, however the Council noted that it had already decided to move ahead with this.

06258 Broadband

The Council heard that Moorsweb was still negotiating over the legal technicalities necessary for it to receive the grant to upgrade the Rosedale network. The Clerk said that Dr Trevor Higgins of BT had been unable to attend this meeting, but hoped to be able to attend the April meeting.

06259 School taxi service

The Council noted an e-mail from the School Transport Team which said that all necessary checks had been made before changing the taxi service, and that a meeting would not achieve anything.

06260 Village clock

Numerous messages were read from members of the public, both for and against a clock in the village.

Resolved: to look into prices for a clock;

to obtain permission from the school governors;

to use the newsletter to see if private funding could be raised.

06261 Screen Waves

The Council noted that the showing of the film My Weekend With Marilyn would take place on 16 March.

06262 Rural Arts

The Council noted that the Community Group was already looking into this.

06263 Hanging baskets

Resolved: that hanging baskets would only be placed on public buildings and not private businesses;

that an exception would be made for Abbey Tearoom and Store, as a thank you for providing the power for the Christmas tree, which would be made clear in the newsletter;

that, subject to the school's approval, two baskets would be ordered for the school, two for the toilets, one for the Reading Room, and one for Abbey Tearoom and Store.

06264 Campsite shop

The Council noted a phone call from a member of the public, complaining about the possibility of a new shop opening on the campsite. The Council felt that although it strongly supported local businesses, it did not have the power to intervene.

Resolved: to check if it would be legal for Council to act on this issue.

06265 Model protocol on communications

Resolved: to adopt the Model Protocol on Communications as published in the Governance Toolkit for Parish & Town Councils.

06266 Finance

Cheques were written for the Village Caretaker's expenses (£175.36), the Clerk's salary and expenses (£492.43) and tax (£121.82), and for the Council's membership of the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations (£125.00)

06267 Planning applications received

NYM/2012/0069/FL Application for erection of extension to existing conservatory at 4 Hill Houses, Rosedale.

This application had been circulated outside of the meeting in accordance with

Standing Order no 60, and as a result the Planning Authority had been informed that the Council had no objection to the application.

NYM/2012/0078/AD Application for advertisement consent for the display of 1 no. replacement wall mounted sign on side elevation at Rosedale Field Centre, Daleside Road, Rosedale Abbey.

This application had been circulated outside of the meeting in accordance with Standing Order no 60, and as a result the Planning Authority had been informed that the Council had no objection to the application.

Next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday 12 April at 7.00pm in the Reading Room.