

Minutes of the Rosedale Parish Council Meeting held on 11 October 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, Richard Wilkinson

In attendance: Six members of the public

06380 Apologies and declarations of interest

No apologies or declarations of interest were received.

06381 Questions and statements from the public

No notice of any questions or statements had been received.

06383 Community Group update

Colin Westwood was invited to address the meeting. He said that the Parish Plan questionnaire results had been received. 81 of the 82 responders had access to a car, and the majority felt that they needed it regardless of buses, which were infrequent and ran at the wrong times. He said that responders felt an affinity for the school and were sad at the drop in the number of pupils. He said that a report would be produced after various groups, including the Parish Council, had had a chance to look through the issues. He also informed the Council of a domino drive in aid of the Reading Room on Thursday 18 October.

06384 Minutes of previous meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13 September 2012 be accepted as a true record.

06385 New Homes Bonus

The Vice Chair said that he was awaiting a response from Janet Frank.

06386 This Exploited Land project

Councillor Val Arnold was invited to address the meeting. She said that Linda Chambers had been attending the meetings but wanted someone else to go. Councillor Storey said that she was now attending the meetings, and the Chair said that she and Trevor Dale had put their names down.

06387 Broadband

Councillor Sugden said that the funding for Moorsweb's Rosedale upgrade was now sorted, and thanked everyone who had helped. The Clerk said he would forward the response from BT to Councillors.

06388 Jubilee clock

No progress was reported on this issue.

06389 Emergency Planning Group

Councillor Gage said that the date of the next meeting would be decided after the Parish Council meeting.

06390 Litter bins

The Council noted an e-mail from Ryedale District Council, saying that they were unable to source any replacement bins or linings for them.

Resolved: to reply asking for ideas on how to progress on this issue.

06391 Benches

The Chair said that there had been a complaint that the memorial bench to Bill Stamper had been removed without permission of the family or landowners, and that as a consequence the Parish Council should replace it. This issue was deferred to the next meeting.

06392 Thorgill postboxes

The Council heard that Royal Mail intended to remove these postboxes when they had checked the state of the road.

06393 Transport in Rosedale

The Council discussed the issue of transport in Rosedale in the light of the response to the Parish Plan questionnaire, to feed back to the Community Group. Suggestions included improving the state of the road, publicising the systems of transport that already existed, targeting public transport for accommodation guests, and using shared taxis or people carriers instead of buses.

06394 Road safety

The Council noted two problems that had been raised, of pedestrians walking in dark clothing in semi-darkness, and of speeding on Daleside Road. The Council also heard that vegetation in the Milburn was overgrown to the extent that it was blocking the pavement, and that a tree was growing on the river bank at the bottom of Chimney Bank, which was blocking the view of the road.

Resolved: to place an item in the newsletter on the subjects of pedestrians and Daleside Road;

to ask the Estate caretaker to look at the Milburn;

to contact the relevant authorities on the subject of the tree at the bottom of Chimney Bank.

06395 LEADER scheme: additional funding

The Council noted a letter stating that there was an extra £15000 of funding under the Small-Scale Enhancements Scheme available.

Resolved: to mention this in the newsletter, and circulate the information to local community groups.

06396 Southern Area Parish Forum meeting 13 November 2012

The Chair and Councillors Scarth and Storey said they would try to attend this meeting;

Resolved: to mention the meeting in the newsletter.

06397 Parish Liaison meeting 17 October 2012

The Chair and Councillor Scarth said they would try to attend this meeting.

06398 2013 meeting dates

The dates for next year's meetings were accepted as the second Thursday of each month, with no meeting in December.

06399 Finance

The Council noted the financial forecast for next year. The Council also discussed the precept for the next year, although the decision was to be made at the November meeting.

The Council noted the receipt of the second half of this year's precept (£2035). The Council also heard that Spaunton Court Leet had offered £150 towards the Caretaker's costs.

Cheques were written for the Caretaker's costs (£275) and the Clerk's salary and expenses (£589.09) and tax (£19). Cheques were also written for the remembrance wreath (£40) and the use of the Reading Room (£250).

06400 Planning applications received

NYM/2012/0520/FL Application for installation of replacement timber double-glazed windows and doors together with extension to rear lean-to, insertion of rooflights and change of roof material to lean-to at 23 Rosedale Abbey, Pickering - amended application. The Council had no objection to this amendment.

06401 Date of next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday 8 November at 7:30 in the Reading Room.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.