Minutes of the Rosedale Parish Council Meeting held on 12 September 2013

Members present:

Councillors: Ena Dent (Chair), Sue Austermuhle, Richard Dent, Angela Gage, Kate

Jones, June Scarth, Maisie Storey, John Sugden In attendance: Four members of the public

06524 Apologies and declarations of interest

Apologies from Henry Brown (Vice Chair) and Richard Wilkinson were accepted by the Council.

06525 Questions and statements from the public

No notice of any questions or statements had been received.

06526 Community Group update

No report had been received and no representative was present.

06527 Minutes of previous meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8 August 2013 be accepted as a true record.

06528 Clerk's report

The Council noted the Clerk's report which said:

- that the bench above the cattle grid on Chimney Bank had been paid for and installed by the Parish Council, and that the Council might like to adopt a policy on benches that had been given at a recent National Park Authority Southern Area Forum meeting;
- that thanks were due to Jon Zigmond for helping delivering the newsletter, as well as to Councillors Maisie Storey and Richard and Ena Dent (the Council also noted that Pam Carter had helped with delivery, which the Clerk had not known when writing the report);
- that a letter complaining about the state of the road at the Orange Tree, and stating an intention to claim for damages, had been received by the Clerk and forwarded to the Highways Authority, and that the road had since been patched;
- that the County Council was consulting on proposed reductions to the bus subsidy, which would include the removal of the Friday bus service between Rosedale and Pickering;
- that no applications had been received for the position of Caretaker;
- that two planning applications had been received, one of which had already been responded to as no Councillors had objected.

06529 Accidents on Chimney Bank

Although no list of accidents had been received, it was suggested that there had been 6 or 7 accidents in the last year. It was suggested that the authorities did not take notice as these accidents are rarely reported.

Resolved: to invite Danny Westmoreland of the Fire and Rescue Service, who reports to the NYCC Ryedale Area Committee, to attend a Council meeting to discuss these concerns; to place an item in the newsletter asking the public to report any accidents

to the non-emergency 101 service; to ask the police how many accidents are reported.

06530 Benches

Resolved: to consider the suggested policy over the next month and send any alterations or improvements to the Clerk, with a view to adopting a policy at the next meeting.

06531 Arrangements for distribution of newsletters

Resolved: that the September newsletter would be hand-delivered by volunteers, but that in future it would e-mailed, with paper copies available for anyone who requested it.

06532 State of the road at the Orange Tree

The Council noted the letter mentioned in the Clerk's report, and noted that the Clerk had forwarded it to the Highways Department.

06533 Disappearance of pets

The Council noted complaints that around fourteen domestic cats had gone missing in the last year from Rosedale East. However the Council noted that there was no evidence what had happened to them.

Resolved: to place an item in the newsletter asking if anyone has any information; that a letter signed by the Chair be sent to the estate asking if they had any information on the subject.

06534 State of ford at Battling Hill Lane

The Council noted a complaint about the state of the ford, however it also noted that the Highways Department had allocated money for work in this area.

Resolved: to write to the Highways Department to find out exactly what work was planned.

06535 Rosedale Church news

Resolved: to put the service times of the church in the newsletter, and contact the other chapels in the area for their times.

06536 Consultation on reduction to bus subsidy

The Council noted this consultation but made no response.

06537 North York Moors National Park Authority Community Forum 8 October The Chair and Councillors Austermuhle and Scarth said they would try to attend.

06538 Appointment of Caretaker

It was felt that mention of use of a quad bike in the original advert may be putting people off from applying.

Resolved: to re-advertise the post, removing reference to the quad bike; to take advice on whether the post could be advertised more widely.

06539 Planning applications received

NYM/2013/0291/FL Application in respect of alterations and extensions to form staff accommodation together with proposed underground pellet store at The Orange Tree, Rosedale East.

This application had been circulated outside of the meeting, and as no Councillors had expressed an objection, the Clerk had responded that the Council had no objection to the application.

NYM/2013/0555/FL Application in respect of construction of garden room extension at The Oaks, Gill Lane, Rosedale.

Councillor Scarth declared an interest in this application and did not take part in the discussion and vote.

Resolved: that the Council did not support the application in its present form, but would have no objection if the garden house had a tiled rather than glazed roof.

06540 Planning decisions

NYM/2012/0809/CLE Application for certificate of lawfulness for use of buildings as a shop in excess of ten years at Rosedale Abbey Caravan Park, Rosedale. Application withdrawn.

NYM/2013/0431/FL Application for variation of condition 1 (material amendment) of planning approval NYM/2008/0823/RM to allow construction of retaining wall to dwelling, alterations to hard surfaced area and alterations to the size and siting of agricultural building together with position of door to east elevation at land at South Side, Alders Road. Approved with conditions.

06541 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday 10 October 2013 at 7:30pm in the Reading Room.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.