Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Rosedale Parish Council held on 8 May 2014

Members present:

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

In attendance: Three members of the public

06745 Election of the Chair of the Parish Council until the next Annual Meeting Elected: Ena Dent

06746 Election of the Vice Chair of the Parish Council until the next Annual Meeting Elected: Henry Brown

06747 Apologies and declarations of interest No apologies or declarations of interest were received.

06748 Questions and statements from the public No notice of any questions or statements had been received.

06749 Community Group update

No representative was present and no report had been received.

06750 Minutes of previous meeting

Resolved: that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 April 2014 be accepted as a true record.

06751 Clerk's report

The Council noted the Clerk's report which said that:

- the Highways Department would not consider a road sign to Rosedale at Hutton-le-Hole, as Chimney Bank was unsuitable for HGV's;
- that the YLCA had changed its advice and now recommended that Councils should publish draft minutes if they were pressed to do so;
- that Steve Trotter of the Community Payback scheme had said that the scheme could deal with litter picking if someone liaised with the supervisor;
- that the Council's insurance was due for renewal, and although the quote was the same as last year, there was a possibility of a 5% discount if the Council renewed for three years;
- that the Parish Council's permission was required if the District Council was to continue to empty the dog waste bin at the Milburn;
- and that the Highways Department would no longer pay for cutting grass verges where this wasn't required for safety.

06752 Order of business

Resolved: that the business from the Southern Area Forum and from the Parish Planning Training Day be considered in the opposite order to that shown on the agenda, to reflect the order in which the events occurred.

06753 Complaint from the Rosedale Business Forum

The Council considered a complaint that the decision not to pay the Walkers Are Welcome annual subscription had not appeared on the agenda in enough detail.

The point was also made that the message the Clerk had sent the Business Forum on this subject did not properly reflect the decision that was made.

Resolved: to thank the Business Forum for bringing the issue to the Council's attention, and make it clear that future agendas will be more detailed; to make it clear that the Council still fully supports the Walkers Are Welcome scheme in principle;

to clarify that the Council's intention was to ask the Business Forum if they would take on the payment of the scheme, and that the Council had not yet made a final decision regarding the payment.

06754 Highways issues

Resolved: to place details on how the Highways Department allocates work in the newsletter.

06755 North York Moors National Park Authority Community Grant Resolved: that Councillors should bring any ideas for this grant to the next meeting.

06756 Publication of draft minutes

Resolved: that draft minutes should be placed on the Council's website, clearly labelled as draft, but not sent with the agenda.

06757 Village green

Resolved: to send a letter to Ian Brown thanking him for his work painting the posts on the village green.

06758 Bench on Chimney Bank

The Council noted that a new bench had been set up on the top car park on Chimney Bank, however Councillors believed that correct procedures had been followed and that the bench was on private land, and so no action was necessary.

06759 Litter

Resolved: to ask the Community Payback scheme to help with litter clearing on footpaths.

o6760 Salt bins

Resolved: that Councillor Dale would discuss this issue at his forthcoming meeting with Ian Birkett from the Highways Department.

o6761 National Park Authority Parish Planning Training Event 30 April 2014 Councillor Scarth reported back from this event. She said that there was a concern that the National Park Authority could charge for appeals against applications that had been passed, and that Parish Councils had a 3-minute slot to speak on planning applications at meetings. Other topics discussed included a new Planning Policy Framework, which did not allow agricultural buildings to be converted to dwellings, and the Community Infrastructure Levy. The filming of meetings had also been

discussed, and it had been recommended that Parish Councils who do so should adopt a considered policy, and should do the filming themselves.

06762 National Park Authority Joint Parish Forum 7 May 2014

Councillor Scarth reported back from this meeting. She said that the filming of meetings was expected to become law, but that were concerns that this would put off people from becoming Councillors, and that recordings could be edited by members of the public. She also said that there would be no further consultations on cuts, but that people could still let the National Park Authority know if they felt strongly about it.

06763 Consultation on the National Park Authority's Draft Statement of Community Involvement

The Council noted this consultation but made no response.

06764 Dog waste bin at the Milburn car park

Resolved: to contact Ryedale District Council to confirm that the Parish Council was happy for the previous arrangements to remain in place.

06765 Finance

A cheque was signed for the Caretaker's costs in the previous month (£398.13).

The Council accepted the unaudited financial statement for the year 2013-14.

Resolved: to accept the quote from Aon for one year.

A cheque was therefore written to Aon for £358.04.

06766 Date and time of next meeting

The next meeting was confirmed as Thursday 12 June at 7:30pm in the Reading Room.