

**BOLTON PERCY, COLTON AND STEETON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2017 IN THE OLD SCHOOL, BOLTON PERCY AT 8.00PM**

Present: Cllrs Stewart Steele, John Taylor, Richard Isherwood, Martin Lister, County Cllr Richard Musgrave.

Apologies: Cllrs David Robinson, Kevin Robertson

Declaration of Interest: None

Minutes of last meeting after having being circulated to all councillors were signed as correct by Cllr Steele, proposed Cllr Isherwood, seconded Cllr Taylor

Number of residents present: 3

Clerks Comments

- a) **Dog Bin Update.** No final decision has been made on the siting of a new bin. It has been suggested to put it near the telephone kiosk, but it really needs to be positioned near Pump Alley area. Cllr Musgrave has confirmed we need a licence. Clerk to action further.
- b) **Yorkshire Water- Water Butts/Pumping Station Building Bolton Percy and Colton.** With reference to the problems Bolton Percy have with surface water, Joe Harbon from Yorks Water has suggested that residents install a water butt to try and help the situation. This of course will not solve the problem, but anything that can be done to help is a bonus. He has agreed to provide, free of charge, these butts for anyone interested in this scheme. Cllrs discussed this in detail and the outcome was that we should defer this suggestion until after the Working Group meeting in February. With reference to the statement in the Parish Magazine Appleton Roebuck minutes, a suggestion was made by Cllr Rayment regarding surface water from Bolton Percy caused flooding in Appleton Roebuck. Cllr Robinson (in his absence) requested the Parish Council ask for an amendment be put magazine stating this is not the case. **Colton.** Cllr Steele updated the meeting on the siting of a temporary holding tank next to Colton Pumping Station. This is to be used as a temporary/experimental tank to help Colton in heavy rain when problems occur with sewage. A survey is to be carried out by a company called Barhale, on behalf of Yorkshire Water, to design a long term solution for the pumping station. This may involve putting an underground holding tank in an adjacent field. **Pumping Station Building.** It has been brought to the attention of the council by a member of the public, the poor state of repair of these building's, both in Bolton Percy and Colton and has been reported to Yorkshire Water. To date, YW have not responded to assess the situation.
- c) **Sewage Contamination of village beck – Bolton Percy.** Clerk has written to SDC Environmental Health Department regarding this ongoing problem, with sewage entering the beck on a regular basis causing health and safety problems. A response has been received to say it is not their responsibility, and both Yorkshire Water and Environment Agency should be contacted. This has already been done in the past but Clerk asked to action again and Cllr Musgrave agreed to look into this matter on the Parish Councils behalf.
- d) **Benches for Bolton Percy and Colton.** Four benches have been ordered in black. There is a slight delay in delivery due to black slats being out of stock.
- e) **Grass Verge Access Road Bolton Percy.** Cllr Musgrave reported he had been in touch with NYCC Highways regarding the state of this road. Although edge posts have been installed and the pot holes filled in, people are still driving over grass verges, thus causing further problems. Drivers are requested to slow down on this road, and have patience and wait for other vehicles to pass at a safe point.

Correspondence

- f) **Notice Board, Bolton Percy.** A resident of Bolton Percy has asked if a new notice board could be purchased (by the Parish Council) for general village notices, as the notice board situated outside the church (purchased by the church) is always locked. One side is used by the PCC and the

other for Parish Council information, and general village notices. Cllrs came to the conclusion that a another notice board was not required, as the Clerk (and other residents) have keys for the present board, and could be contacted if anyone wants a notice putting up. If a new board was purchased, this would still have to be locked, and who would be responsible for the key.

- g) Bolton Percy Church Bells/Clock.** Clerk has been approached by a member of Friends of All Saints Bolton Percy enquiring if the Parish Council would be willing to donate a sum of money towards the restoration of the bells. It was thought some of the CIL monies received recently could be used. Due to not having a full complement of councillors present this request would be put on the January agenda for further discussion.
- h) JBA Report.** It has been requested to look into updating the JBA report issued in 2000, to get ideas of how water can be diverted away from the centre of Bolton Percy in a flood situation. Costs have been received and Clerk has been requested to look into obtaining funding from various Agencies/Leeds University to take this further.

Reports of Meetings

- i) SDC Parish Council Forum. Planning. 15th November.** Cllr Taylor represented the Parish Council and reported. This forum was arranged to update Parish Council's on the future working of the Planning Section.
- Update on Planning Review and Budget.
Electronic Consultation on Planning applications
5 year land supply and appeals
All the above were discussed, with the outcome that in future all plans will be sent out electronically, no paper copies. Cllr Taylor has agreed to propose our Council to help with the setting up and working of this idea, ie the smooth running of the implementation of electronic plans. The full report can be viewed on the Parish Council website.

Planning

- j) Sun Inn, Colton.** New retrospective plans have been received, due to the original ones being withdrawn. 3 year temporary permission to site a log cabin. The councillors only objection to this was the surface water going directly into the foul sewer. This is not possible. It appeared the other amendment was painting the cabin white and extending a green hedge further across the low wall to hide the cabin.

Finance

- k) Clerks Salary - Paid**
- l) Spenditure of CIL monies.** A short discussion took place, but it was decided to put this on the January meeting agenda for further discussion.
- m) Council Tax Base 2018/19.** Forms have been received and will be completed at the January meeting.

Any Other Business

Old Farm Road, Bolton Percy. Cllr Robinson confirmed he had spoken with the contractors of this building site regarding the state of the road. They have agreed to keep the road free of mud by scraping the road on a regular basis. When the site is complete they will resurface the road to a good standard.

Appleton Roebuck Comments in Magazine. Cllr Robinson requested an amendment to their comments on surface water from Bolton Percy affecting Appleton Roebuck. This has been covered in (b) above.

Manhole outside Daniel Gath Homes. Clerk has been in touch with NYCC Highways as to who is responsible for looking after this in the future when problems occur. They have confirmed that are looking into this matter as to who actually owns the land involved. Awaiting further response.

Public Forum.

A resident of Bolton Percy brought up the subject of speeding and damage of grass verges on Main Street.

He wanted to know what could be done to stop vehicles being driven over grass verges and who was responsible for repairing them. He asked if tarmac could replace the grass on the main access (now apparently renamed School Lane by SDC). A passing place is to be added near the Old School. Also his concerns were discussed about speeding vehicles. His main concern was the school bus (from both Primary and Grammar), Connexions service bus and delivery vans.

It appeared residents and visitors alike don't seem to have any respect for pedestrians/children etc whilst driving through the village. They seem to dis-regard the 20mph signs.

Cllr Musgrave reported that anyone caught speeding on a regular basis could be reported to 95Alive Partnership. Clerk has forms to complete for anyone interested. It is also worth noting at this point that if a speed check is instigated and it is found that vehicles are travelling over 24 mph on a regular basis then speed bumps or other deterrents could come into place.

A request was made if the councillors would look into spending some of the CIL monies on a children's play area. Clerk to investigate as the majority of the land in the village is owned by Nun Appleton Estates.

Bolton Percy Telephone Kiosk. Thanks given to Cllr Robinson for putting book shelves into the kiosk. It is now ready to be used as a book exchange.

Could residents please contact Clerk – joycecollier@btinternet.com (744334) with any donations of books. Thank you.

January Parish Council Meeting. New Date. Due to the first Tuesday in January being 2nd, the councillors have decided to hold the next meeting on Tuesday 9th January 2018, in The Old School at 8.00pm.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm.