

**BOLTON PERCY, COLTON & STEETON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2018**  
**IN THE OLD SCHOOL, BOLTON PERCY AT 8.00PM**

**Present:** Cllrs Stewart Steele, John Taylor, Richard Isherwood, Kevin Robertson.

**Apologies:** Cllrs Martin Lister, County Cllr Richard Musgrave

**Declaration of Interest:** None

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

**Number of residents present. 8**

**Clerks Comments**

a) **Yorkshire Water Pumping Station, Colton Sewage.** A reply has been received by Prof Taylor regarding concern about the state of Bolton Percy pumping station. After an inspection by Yorkshire Water it is stated the building is structurally in a good condition. This is checked at least once a month and no signs of water going into the pumping station or leaks at this site. The pumps are at the side of the building in a four meter deep wet well. YW agree the gutters look in poor condition but no water is getting into the building and not affecting the pumps. On 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017 contractors replaced sections of the gutter and cleared the blockages.

**Cllr Robinson joined the meeting at this time.**

**Colton.** Cllr Steele updated the meeting on the work being carried out in Colton. Yorks Water informed residents that investigations would be started to look into the sewage problems. The 15<sup>th</sup> December saw the start of this work, with sub contractors carrying out the work. Four test bore holes were completed in the road and grass verge to a depth of 5mtrs, which found only clay. On 18<sup>th</sup> December a test bore hole was started in the field next to the pumping station, but operations had to cease on 20<sup>th</sup> at a depth of 17.5 mtrs because of running sand. On 8<sup>th</sup> January a different drilling rig was brought in and managed to bore down 26 mtrs in 1.1/2 days where solid rock was found. These tests are to help in the design of a new storage tank and Pumping Station on the site. Flow meters between Bilbrough and Colton have been installed and design work is in progress to ensure that the proposed work will be successful. Various different consultants/contractors are involved together with Environment Agency. When the designs are finalised planning permission will also have to be obtained.

b) **Bolton Percy Beck Contamination.** SDC have been contacted regarding this long ongoing problem, but have come back saying they are not responsible and suggest the Council contact EA and YW. Clerk to action.

c) **Benches.** The four benches have been delivered and will be put in position in the near future. It is proposed to site one in Chestnut Avenue, but clarification is required as to the land owner. Clerk to action.

d) **All Saints Church Bells.** Cllrs brought this subject forward from the December Parish Council meeting for further discussion. Friends of the church asked if the Parish Council would be able to make a donation towards the restoration of the bells. Investigation has taken place as to how the CIL monies can be used. Unfortunately this money can be used for anything but it has to be considered "Infrastructure" and this wouldn't be Church Bells. Town and Country Planning Act 2008 defines infrastructure as roads, flood defences, schools and other educational facilities, medical facilities, sporting and recreational, open spaces. Discussion then took place as to whether the Precept monies could help. This was also rejected as this is public money and has to be used for the whole community.

e) **JBA Report Funding Contacts.** At previous Parish Council meeting it was suggested we try and get funding from a large sum of money available through Leeds University. To date it hasn't been able to find the correct department to contact. It was suggested the Parish Council contact MP Nigel Adams and Tadcaster Flood Group. Clerk to action.

- f) **Speeding.** Concern has been raised by members of the Selby Area Committee on this ongoing general problem in the area. This information was noted.

### Correspondence

No new correspondence received.

### Reports of Meetings

None

### Planning

1. **2017/0411/FUL. Three houses, Marsh Lane, Bolton Percy. Erection of three detached properties. Two items.** Cllrs are concerned about the number of identical letters supporting this application. Are these legal. Advice is being sort. The developer has again written to the Parish Council asking for their original comments to SDC be amended. Cllrs rejected this request, as no further evidence has been received.
2. **2017/1277/HPA. Bolton Lodge, Bolton Percy. Erection of detached Garden Summer House.** The councillors had no objections to this application, but residents living adjacent Bolton Lodge have objections to the size and siting of this summer house.
3. **2017/0118/FUL. Low Farm, Low Farm Road, Bolton Percy. Proposed erection of one detached house.** Cllrs have sent their objections to SDC requesting rejection of this application, due to the size of the property on the land available. Lack of parking spaces, plans stating three bedrooms, but it is felt with Velux windows in the roof, this would become a four bedroom. Position close to the access road into the village and outside the village envelope.
4. **2017/1333/HPA. Old School House, Colton. Proposed alterations to dwelling to form sitting room in lieu of integrated garage, new first floor windows, erection of detached double garage/garden store and associated works.** No objections.
5. **2017/0168/FUL. Adjacent Glebe Farm, Bolton Percy. Conservation Officer Report.** Due to revised plans being submitted amending the siting of this third property being rotated 90 degrees, moving it further West and the garage moving from the South to the North West of the site. Main gist of the report condemns any further building on this site, due to the green spaces already lost, more building and loss of Conservation land in the village. The whole report is available from the Clerk.
6. **Electronic submission of Planning Applications.** As from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018, all planning applications will be sent electronically to Parish Councils. SDC have arranged training sessions to take place at Civic Centre Selby on 18<sup>th</sup> January. Clerk to attend.

### Finance

7. **Clerks Salary – Paid**
8. **Clerks Annual Salary Review.** This was postponed until the February meeting
9. **Council Tax Base 2018/19.** Forms were completed and signed by Chairman and Clerk to keep the Precept at £5000.00.
10. **Spenditure of CIL Monies.** More discussion at the February Parish Council meeting with this item being on every forthcoming agenda.

### Any Other Business.

**The Rampart.** Stewart Rogerson has had an update from Gary Lumb (NYCC) reference funding for upgrading The Rampart road. Some funding has been secured but it will not be available until April 2019. Highway Maintenance Challenge Fund is still being investigated. Also Howard Ferguson has updated Stewart on work EA are planning to carry out, ie new Flap Valve and damaged tidal gates on the Wharfe riverbank, south of the village are to be repaired.

**Broken Stiles/Fallen Tree/Pump Alley Hedge.** Nun Appleton Estate have agreed to replace the stiles etc and cut the top of the hedge.

**Npower Invoices.** Chq signed. £ 27.40

**D Pearson (Parish Council Website Admin) £ 25.18** Chq signed

**Bilbrough Top Services.** Brian Percival has notified the Parish Council of remedial work to start on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018. This work will be carried out by Derek Lewis Road Surfacing off Doncaster. The work will last approximately two weeks, and will include some night time working. There will be traffic management in place as one carriageway will be closed some of the time, but access to commercial sites will be maintained. There will be a change to road parking management in the future. More information from Clerk or Mr Percival.

#### **Broadband – Steeton and Colton**

Howard Ferguson has confirmed that these two villages have been put forward for the next phase which BT have been appointed as contractors.

#### **Public Forum**

Residents at the meeting again brought up the subject of sewage smells in Bolton Percy, and requested Yorkshire Water be contacted. Clerk to action. It was requested by the councillors that if every person in the village who experiences problems with anything regarding Yorkshire Water, please report to YW and get a reference number. Then email this information to Clerk ([joycecollier@btinternet.com](mailto:joycecollier@btinternet.com)) so a log can be kept. The more problems are logged the more YW investigate in the future.

The question of using water butts to help with surface water was again discussed. No definite conclusion was decided, it will be discussed at the next Yorkshire Water Working Group meeting in February.

A resident asked that the Parish Council amend the letter they submitted to SDC regarding observations on the planning application 2017/0168/FUL). They were not happy with some of the wording. Councillors agreed to look into this, and report at the February meeting.

The meeting Closed at 10.00pm