

BOLTON PERCY, COLTON & STEETON PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

Tuesday 5th Sept 2023 at 8:00pm

Old School Room, Bolton Percy

1. **Present:** Cllrs. Steele (chair); Robinson (vice-chair); Tucker; Nicholls
2. **To receive and consider for approval, apologies for absence and reasons given.**
Apologies from Cllr. Robertson and A Dawson, clerk. Holiday commitments.
3. **To receive declarations of interest:** None
4. **To confirm that the Minutes of the last Ordinary Meeting 4/7/23 were a true and accurate record.**
The Minutes were confirmed as a true and accurate record.
5. **Members of the Public:** One

6. CLERK'S REPORT – Outlining actions/outcomes following the meeting held on 4/7/23.

a) A64 Traffic Diversions. Contact made with North Yorkshire Police. Update.

The following is feedback received from the Traffic Management Officer via PCSO Hannah Price – there were signs in force advising motorists to use the A1 and A59 as well as local diversions. There is no requirement to follow signed diversions, and many motorists, including some lorry drivers, follow their SatNav instead, and also access social media for advice. Officers were investigating a fatality and unfortunately there was not the manpower to have officers directing the traffic.

Feelings of parish councillors and residents have been passed on to the Inspector for Traffic Management for the issue to be raised in forthcoming briefings of how diverted traffic affects local villages and residents.

Information Noted.

b) UPDATE - North Yorkshire Police 'Information Surgery' event

An 'Information Surgery' event has been proposed by PCSO Hannah Price. The date is booked for Weds 27th Sept at the Old School Hall when the Sub Post Office is operational. Time 10.30 – 12.30. Complimentary Refreshments will be served. This event has been agreed with the postmaster and is a good opportunity to also promote the PO services.

Discussed and Councillors resolved to support this event by attending if possible; and for it to be promoted on 2 local Face Book sites.

Action: Clerk to promote on Face Book and to contact H Price to promote on Selby North Yorkshire site.

c) Defib battery – Bolton Percy/Colton

Earlier in the year the battery in the de-fibrillator failed whilst under warranty. It was replaced in a timely manner to enable the unit to be used if required. The supplier of the unit and battery, the DEFIB Store, have now replaced the original battery. This is a spare and was placed in the defib cabinet in Bolton Percy at the beginning of August 2023. It is equally available to Colton if required. It's working shelf life won't start until it's actually in use.

The Parish Council would like to express thanks to Claire Tucker for pursuing this to a satisfactory end.

Information Noted.

d) Purchase of Microphone Cable for PA System – Point 16 iv) Minutes 4/7/23

This item was followed up by Cllr Robinson with Alan Swain, who advised that an anonymous donation to cover the cost of the cable had been made; it has now been purchased and is available with the system for use.

Information Noted.

7. NYCC/ENVIRONMENT AGENCY UPDATE

- a) The EA have conducted some improvement work around the Penstock to the current pump. Cllr. Nicholls advised that he is still awaiting feedback on delivery of a second pump. Also, that a pump service is required.
- b) Community Emergency Plan – the EA have contacted Cllr. Nicholls with further questions in a survey format with regards the Community Emergency Plan. It is not clear if this is relevant to such a small parish as this. Cllr. Nicholls to follow up as necessary.

Action: Cllr Nicholls to continue to pursue delivery of second pump and make enquiries regarding a service engineer for the current pump.

8. FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT – North Yorkshire Council re Property Level Resilience

Cllr Nicholls has been in contact with NYC to enquire if Bolton Percy has been registered into the prevention scheme ie flood doors etc. There has been no further response from NYC.

Action: Cllr Nicholls will raise this enquiry with Cllr. Andrew Lee.

9. FINANCE –

(a) to review and approve items of expenditure

- i) NPower Colton Phone Box – lighting
For information only as bills are being waived.
Clerk's address has been updated with NPower.
Information Noted.

(b) Alternative Bank Accounts – investigating better terms/rates

Clerk had presented some research on alternative solutions, which were discussed. The council agreed to retain £5000 in the Instant Access Account and move other funds to utilise more favourable interest rates, and this could include a Notice Account. Such action will improve interest on the savings accounts.

It was resolved to leave the decision of account to the clerk's best judgement.

Action: Clerk to facilitate alternative savings accounts on behalf of the Council.

10. PLANNING: to consider planning policies, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate. Please note that any applications received following the issue of this agenda will be considered as an Appendix.

- a) **ZG2023/0668/TCA** **Church of All Saints Main Street, Bolton Percy**
Application for consent to remove epicormic growth to clear road and footpath to 3no (T18, T19 and T20). Lime trees within the conservation area.
Planning Application, registered during the week ending 16 July 2023,
- b) **2023/0002/OUT** **Land At Stonebridge Farm Main Street Colton**
19/7/23 - Advised of a further consultation further consultation in respect of the above application for the following reason(s):
Amended Plans, Amended Information and Additional Information.
24/7/23 Email notification sent to all cllrs for comments. Cut off 9th Aug.
KW few objections from Colton residents advised 29/7/23
- c) **2023/0594/FUL** **Oliver House, 1 Church Lane, Bolton Percy**
3/8/23 Notice of Decision **Granted**
Proposal – erection of 2 No. lean to extensions to existing agricultural buildings and extension of hardstanding.
Planning Applications, registered during the week ending 13 August 2023

Discharge of condition 04 (surface water) of approval ZG2023/0594/FUL Erection of 2 No lean-to extensions to existing agricultural building and extension of hardstanding

- d) ZG2023/0807/FUL Station Farm, Station Road, Bolton Percy**
7/8/23 Consultation on Planning Application
Proposal - Erection of a general purpose agricultural storage building
Written observations by 28/8/23
- e) Decision No ZG2023/0422/HPA - 1 Low Farm Close, Bolton Percy**
14/8/23 Permission GRANTED
Proposal: First floor extension over existing garage, replacement of existing pantiles with slate, installation of velux windows in kitchen/dining area, rebuilding of conservatory and replacement of windows and doors
- f) ZG2023/0701/FUL Glebe Farm, Main Street, Bolton Percy**
Consultation on Planning Application –
Proposal: Removal of the Fold Yard Roof, Gin-gang and repair/refurbishment to barns (retrospective). The above planning application was received as valid on 16/8/2023.

NO COMMENT TO ANY OF ABOVE a) – f)
- g) ZG2023/0852/TELB Main Street, Bolton Percy**
Installation of 2no 9m telephone poles
- h) ZG2023/0850/TELB Oxton Lane, Bolton Percy**
Installation of 11no 9m telephone poles
- i) ZG2023/0846/TELB Hagg Lane, Colton**
Install Fixed Line Broadband apparatus
- j) ZG2023/0845/TELB Lady Flat Farm, Lady Flat Lane, Colton**
Install Fixed Line Broadband apparatus

Note that following investigation by Cllr Steele on the above planning applications by Open Reach, the above installations are Permitted Development and No Planning is needed.

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- k) 2022/0426/FUL Sun Inn, Colton**
31/8/23 Appeal received. NOTED

11. CORRESPONDENCE: to consider correspondence received

a) North Yorkshire Council – Senior Planning Officer Ryan King, re Open Space funding.

Regarding the planning application at Stonebridge Farm, Main St; Colton. An email (dated 16/8/23) advises the PC that should the development be granted and the work commence, the local planning authority can require the developer to allocate open space funding for new provision of open space, or to enhance/upgrade existing provision.

Cllrs. advise that there is no open space in the village. The only possibility would be to canvas local landowners to see if anyone would be willing to sell land. The correspondence was noted.

Action: clerk to respond to Ryan King accordingly.

b) North Yorkshire Council – Highways and Transport re Managing Speed Limits in North Yorkshire

Subject: - Announcing a New Approach to managing speed limits in North Yorks.

This announcement is from Highways and Transport advising about a series of planned speed limit reviews across the county on both urban and rural roads over the coming years. There is a link to the proposals, set out as a series of recommendations in a report of the Executive Council, (Public Pack) Agenda Document for Executive, 04/07/2023 11:00 (northyorks.gov.uk).

Discussed and noted. To keep under review.

12. TO RECEIVE AND DISCUSS PARISHIONERS' COMMENTS:

a) Maintenance query of the Old Coal Road that leads to the Nature Reserve and returns back to Oxton Lane. Who has responsibility of maintaining the track?

Yorkshire Wildlife Trust (YWT) Reserve Officer, David Powell, has confirmed that the track running alongside the Bolton Percy Station Nature Reserve and adjacent to the farmed field, does belong to them. The officer reported that he will be at the BP reserve site on 31 August and he will survey the track for possible risks to walkers, ie overhanging branches and brambles around head height and other undergrowth that may cause a trip or other hazard. YWT will aim to improve access by the end of 9/2023.

In turn, he has drawn attention to litter being left on the reserve area and dog fouling not being cleared by dog walkers. Our local dog walkers are usually very considerate, but please can we remind them to clear up after their pets (there is a red dog bin at the end of the Old Coal Road, or such waste can be disposed of in the owner's grey bin). Mr Powell has agreed to the Parish Council placing posters up about littering on the YWT gate.

Information Noted.

Action: Clerk will put up posters.

b) Fly tipping of Garden Waste reported to local councillor, Bolton Percy.

Various contacts have been made with NYC by the clerk in regards to this problem. There are no promotional posters to encourage residents to act as good citizens. There are no discounts available to anyone on benefits, including disability benefit.

We would remind the community that Fly Tipping is a criminal offence and can be reported on-line <https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/environment-and-neighbourhoods/fly-tipping> or by phoning 0300 1312 131.

Information Noted.

c) Enquiry regarding a tree on allotment land in Bolton Percy village.

A resident expressed concern that a tree adjacent to their boundary appeared to be in danger of falling towards their property and also that the height is at risk of impacting on the phone wires.

Outcome: allotments are owned by North Yorkshire Council and the Parish Council has no involvement. It is best for individual concerns to be raised by residents direct with NYC via their online enquiry portal or e-mail the Customer Service Team at info.SEL@northyorks.gov.uk and ask for the Asset Management Team, Local Facilities Officer.

Information Noted.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

a) Concerns have been raised to council about the footpath that runs from the corner of Main Street down to the corner at Bolton Percy Cricket Club. It is reported as being in need of clearing of weeds and debris.

It was resolved to raise the matter with NY Highways.

Action: Clerk to e-mail

b) A resident has raised concerns to council regarding a near-miss with a combine on a narrow road between Tadcaster and Bolton Percy (31/8/23 pm). A dash cam photo was sent in which records some of the incident.

It was resolved to raise the matter with NY Police on the Information Surgery Day, planned 27/9/23.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 3rd Oct

Meeting Ended: 21:10