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MINUTES OF GLAISDALE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at The Robinson Institute, Glaisdale, on Thursday 20th September 2012.

PRESENT: Cllrs : S W Thompson (Chair), M Foord, Mrs K MacDonald, P Thurlow, N Hopwood, C/Cllr WH Tindall, D/Cllr T Lawn

APOLOGIES : Cllrs C Pearson, R Norris

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST : Members are reminded of the need to consider whether they have a personal or prejudicial interest to declare in relation to any item on this agenda. Any interest must be declared at the start of the meeting and, if the interest is deemed prejudicial, the member must withdraw from the meeting whilst the item is under discussion and must not take part in any decision making process in relation to that matter.

Declarations of interest made : Cllr P Thurlow re item 3.1.2 these minutes.

1. **MINUTES OF JULY MEETING** were presented, agreed & signed as a true record.

2. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

2.1 Police attendance and report.

Incidents of note within the Parish:

- 26/8/2012, Rear screen of car damaged overnight at Broom Cottage Glaisdale, nothing seen or heard.

Incidents of Note in neighbouring parishes.

- 16/8/12. Outhouse broken into at Egton Bridge, 2 chainsaws, 2strimmers and a cordless drill taken during the day, nothing seen.
- 16/8/12. Outbuilding broken into at farm at Limber Hill, generator stolen. Nothing seen.
- 16/8/12. 4 wheel trailer stolen from a garden at Thorpe Green, nothing seen or heard.
- 23/8/12, theft of mobile phone from Hook's house farm camp site RHB, enquiries ongoing.
- 23/8/12, theft of batteries from temporary road works on Back Lane Hawsker. Nothing seen or heard.

General Alerts :

- The rural areas of Whitby have suffered from burglary offences including the targeting of tools from outbuildings, farms and businesses. As a result of a current investigation and a review of historical Whitby rural burglaries (dwelling / non dwelling) the following offender actions and M.O. (Modus operandi) may be occurring.

- **Modus operandi:**
- Person(s) approach locations quite often farms / rural outbuildings or rural business premises carrying an empty bottle.
- If they are approached / confronted by the residents / owners they will use the excuse that their vehicle needs water and has broken down.
- (hence the empty bottle)
- A vehicle used by the suspect(s) who are usually in a group will be parked nearby and the bonnet of the vehicle will be up with persons pretending to be working on the engine. Therefore this gives the occupant / victim the impression the persons from the vehicle are genuinely broken down when in fact they are carrying out either a 'recce' of the premises or intent on committing offences there and then.
- At this stage this is a line of enquiry identified in a recent 2-1 burglary at a farm in Hinderwell. This recce M.O is not uncommon and has been used previously in the Whitby North rural areas.
- Should any members of the public be visited by persons using this MO could they please contact Police on 101 and if safe to do so make a note of any vehicle registration numbers.

2.2 Sandbag Store at Lealholm – Update on replacement building.

- Andy Crossley of SBC has now provided information regarding the size of the building which they are to provide for the storage of sandbags at Lealholm. This information is to be passed on to Mrs Jenny Hunt who is organising the provision of a suitable base for the building to stand upon. Clerk to pass on all relevant information.

2.3 Restoration of water feed pipe to Harlands depot, Thorneywaite Lane.

- Members informed that Sanctuary Housing have now re-laid the temporary water pipe to Harlands depot at Thorneywaite Lane and that the supply should now be correctly installed underground as before.

2.4 Village information boards – NYMNPA interest.

- Members informed of communication received from Ms Claire Shields of NYMNPA regarding the potential provision of an information board at the car park in Lealholm. Apparently, NYMNPA have been liaising with Glaisdale WI in the matter of a similar board which is to be installed at Beggars Bridge and she asked if the two boards could be combined into one project. The Clerk has informed Ms Shields that although members did discuss the merits of such a board at Lealholm at a previous meeting, no commitment was made at that time to proceed with any such project. Clerk has informed NYMNPA that her interest was welcome and that should any decision be made to proceed with the provision of an information board at Lealholm then we will contact her again at that time.

2.5 Refuse Operative complaint – reply from SBC.

- Clerk has informed members that the complaint registered with SBC regarding the behaviour of one of their refuse operatives (May 2012) has still not been resolved to the knowledge of this council. In response to numerous email communications requesting information on the progress of the complaint investigation, so far GPC has received only three replies consisting only of copies of SBC Complaints Procedure outlining the process and explaining that complainants will receive regular and full updates within 21 days of the complaint being made. This is a patently inadequate response from SBC and members requested that Cllr WH Tindall look into the matter on our behalf. Cllr Tindall agreed to do so.

3. PLANNING

3.1 Applications :

3.1.1 NYM/2012/0497/FL - Application for use of land as Tea Garden and erection of building to serve refreshments with associated access works at Stonehaven, Hall Lane, Glaisdale.**

- This application has been decided by NYMNPA Planning Committee prior to this meeting and so response by GPC is not now relevant. No opinions expressed.

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3.1.2 NYM/2012/0539/FL - Application for construction of garage extension with Studio Space above at Truly Scrumptious, Fryup, Great Fryupdale.

- This application has been decided by NYMNPA Planning Committee prior to this meeting and so response by GPC is not now relevant. No opinions expressed.

3.1.3 NYM/2012/0494/AD - Application for advertisement consent for the display of 1 no. non- illuminated sign at road junction opposite car park Lealholm.

- Application NOT supported. Members did not think that the proposed board would be appropriate for the location, being too large and overly visible in this conservation area, and did not agree that the board should be permanently sited as proposed. Members agreed that support could be given for a non permanent 'A' frame type of board, similar to others which are already sited in this area, should the application be refused permission by NYMNPA in its current form.

3.2 Referrals

3.2.1 NYM/2012/04197/FL** - Application for use of land as Tea Garden and erection of building to serve refreshments with associated access works at Stonehaven, Hall Lane, Glaisdale.

- Noted.

3.3 Results :

3.3.1 Enf Enq, 7943 - Development at Inglenook, Lealholmside – Notification of receipt of application.

- Noted.

4. FINANCE

4.1** Request for funding support from Scarborough & District Citizens Advice Bureau.

- Request received from Scarborough & Dist. Citizens advice Bureau for financial assistance in support of their provision of this service to individuals throughout the Esk valley. As last year CAB have included some actual figures showing the numbers of individuals who have been helped through their services and again this amounts to a substantial number. Members agreed that this continues to prove its value to our communities and agreed that a small contribution should be made on this occasion. Members agreed to a donation of £50 and proposal to make such payment made by Cllr MF, seconded Cllr NH. All members in agreement. Cheque 100773 issued. (LGA 1972 s137)

4.2 ** Receipt of invoice for repairs to parish seats – C E Featherstone

- Members advised of receipt of invoice from C Featherstone re repairs and repainting of parish seats for 2012 season. Cllr MF proposed payment, seconded by Cllr PT. All members in agreement. Cheque 100774 issued in payment.

4.3 Notification of appointment of new external auditors to Glaisdale Parish Council from September 2012. To take effect from 2012/13 audit year.

- Members informed that as of the 2012/13 financial year, the firm of 'Littlejohn LLP' will act as external auditors for the five years from 1st September 2012.

- 4.4 Amendments to GPC Standing Orders re addition of Clerk to signatory list.
- **Noted - Arrangements have now been completed. New copies of revised standing orders issued to members for their information and reference.**

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1 Action / Reply

- 5.1.1 Election of representatives to SBC Standards Committee.
- **Members informed of nomination papers received from SBC for forthcoming election of two new representatives for the SBC Standards Committee. No interest expressed from any GPC members to serve on this committee.**
- 5.1.2 Bus Services in Whitby and surrounding parishes – proposed strategy meetings.
- **Members advised of invitation received from Whitby Town Council to join in a forum to discuss means of preventing the further erosion of local bus services. Although members were supportive of the motives behind this initiative it was not clear what the principle agenda of such a forum might be. Clerk instructed to write in support of the general aims of this proposal but to request clarification of the forums' intentions regarding the specific problems of transport in rural areas before members would agree to be further involved.**

5.2 Minutes & Reports

None received.

5.3 For Information

- 5.3.1 Update on NYCC highways and transportation service during 2011/12 and proposed works schedule for 2012/13
- **Noted**
- 5.3.2 Lords Communications Committee – Critical report on Governments' broadband focus.
- **Noted**
- 5.3.3 Police and Crime Commissioners – External Briefing.
- **Noted**

Newsletters received :

Clerks & Councils Direct – September 2012.

Publications received :

None received

Other items of communication were received.

6. REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

None attended.

7. MATTERS OF INTEREST RAISED BY MEMBERS

- 7.1 Highways Issues
- **Gate attached to cattle grid on 40R - Glaisdale Dale - requires repair, gate has 'dropped' and won't open.**
- 7.2 Ley Hall improvements – Planning Application.
- **Cllr Foord advised that he had received a request from the Ley Hall committee that the Parish Council agree to submit the planning application for proposed works on behalf of the committee, giving an opportunity to save on costs. Clerk agreed to investigate the possibility of doing so and requested that the committee submit a completed application form and attach all relevant documentation as may be required.**

DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Will be on Thursday 18th October 2012, commencing at 7.30pm, and will be held at The Robinson Institute, Glaisdale.