

# Glaisdale Parish Council

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**MINUTES OF GLAISDALE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held at The Robinson Institute, Glaisdale, on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2012.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs : S W Thompson (Chair), Mrs K MacDonald, P Thurlow, C Pearson, R Norris, M Foord, N Hopwood, C/Cllr WH Tindall.

**APOLOGIES :** Cllr D/Cllr T Lawn.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST :** Cllr C Pearson re item 5.1.1, these minutes.

1. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** were presented, agreed and signed as a true record.

2. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

2.1 Police attendance and report.

Incidents of note :

- 16<sup>th</sup> March - Report of theft of purse from a property in Glaisdale. A subsequent arrest was made and suspect charged.
- 20<sup>th</sup> March - Report from victim of so called 'Microsoft' scam in Lealholm area.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Report from victim of so called 'Microsoft' scam in Glaisdale. Victim claims that a company called Computersky contacted him claiming they were working under the umbrella of Microsoft and that his computer was showing a number of viruses. The victim was persuaded to pay £189 via Paypal under the assumption that the caller was genuine. However, a later call from Computersky persuaded the victim to divulge bank and other personal details. Soon after, the residents bank phoned to say that an attempt to remove funds from the victims account had been made but fortunately was unsuccessful. Investigations are being carried out by the National Fraud Agency.

Incidents of note in neighbouring parishes :

- Throughout March - Numerous burglaries committed resulting in thefts of tools, fencing materials, vehicle parts, window frames and cash. Metal thefts are also on the increase with farm gates being a popular target. Police have launched Operation Tornado to target vehicles that may have been involved in metal theft, and scrap metal dealers are being regularly checked. Additional Police patrols in conjunction with National Park Rangers are being conducted in the most affected areas.
- As of 1<sup>st</sup> April, PC475 Darren Mortimer will temporarily replace PC Graham Addy as the Neighbourhood Police Officer for the Whitby Rural South wards.

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Signed as a true record : .....(Chairman )

DATE : .....

- 2.2 NYCC Highways – issues raised.
- Cattle grid at Bainley Bank reported to NYCC Highways - matter to be scheduled into programmed activity at the earliest opportunity.
- 2.3 2012 Parish seating maintenance – appraisal returns.
- Noted - All appraisals now returned - Clerk to issue work schedule with invitations to tender to prospective contractors.

### 3. PLANNING

#### 3.1 Applications :

None Received

#### 3.2 Referrals

None.

#### 3.3 Results :

None.

### 4. FINANCE

#### 4.1 Verge Cutting for 2012 – return of invitations to tender.

- Only one reply received from the three invitations to tender sent out last month. Mssrs R Norris and D Hill have both declined to tender.

Members noted that PR & JM Houlston have presented a quote which demonstrates only modest increase in rates from last year - in line with inflation. Cllr MF proposed that the work be offered to Houlstons, seconded by Cllr RN. All members in agreement. Clerk to inform accordingly.

#### 4.2 Web Hosting service for 2012 – invoice for payment.

- Clerk presented invoice for web hosting services for 2012/13. Proposal to make payment made by Cllr CP, seconded Cllr PT. All members in agreement. Cheque 100763 issued in payment.

#### 4.3 SBC – Model Agreement 2011/12 – Actual expenditure returns.

- Clerk informed members that actual figures in line with proposed estimates were returned to SBC in response to this request. Members also reminded that next year figures may not include the ‘Verges Cutting’ element - depending upon decisions yet to be taken as a result of SBC/NYCC ongoing discussions. This will impact upon the 2013/14 budget setting process to be undertaken later this year.

#### 4.4 Local Councils Insurance renewal premium – 2012/13

- Members advised of renewal advice received from Allianz for Council Insurance requirements for 2012/2013. Members informed that the premium has increased only marginally this year despite a claim having been met regarding the village nameplate damage incurred in 2011. Cllr RN proposed acceptance and payment of this premium, seconded by Cllr NH. All members in agreement. Cheque 100764 issued in payment.

#### 4.5 GPC Audit Plan – Risk Assessment process – Statement of Internal Control (S.I.C.)

- Members advised of Cllr Hopwoods’ examination of the control measures currently in place to deal with identified risks. The Statement of Internal Control document shows that both the current Procedural and Financial Standing Orders are working without issue, and that the Risk Management Strategy provides acceptable control of identified risks. Cllr MF proposed approval of the S.I.C. seconded by Cllr RN. All members in agreement. S.I.C. acceptance signed by Chairman Cllr SWT.

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## 5. CORRESPONDENCE

### 5.1 Action / Reply

5.1.1 NYMNPA \_ Hedgerow Regulations 1997 – Application for removal of section of hedgerow at Hill House Farm, Glaisdale.

- Members advised of receipt of letter from NYMNPA inviting GPC to comment upon proposed removal of section of hedgerow under the Hedgerow Regulations 1997. A document explaining these regulations was included with the letter and after due consideration members could not find any reason to object to the proposals. Clerk instructed to reply to NYMNPA indicating that GPC had no objections to the hedgerow removal as proposed.

5.1.2 SBC – Olympic Torch Arrival – Celebratory Event invitation.

- Members advised of opportunity to attend a special ceremony and celebration of the arrival of the Olympic Torch in Scarborough during June this year. Only six tickets are available to each parish council and members requested to decide whether they wish to accept this invitation. Members agreed that the invitation should be accepted and a request made to SBC for the full allocation of six tickets. Clerk to contact SBC to secure the tickets.

### 5.2 Minutes & Reports

5.2.1 NYMNPA – NAPF minutes of February meeting + agenda items for May meeting.

- Noted - No agenda items forthcoming.

### 5.3 For Information

5.3.1 Ryedale District Council – Local Plan policy framework.

- Noted - no action proposed.

5.3.2 SBC – National Green Deal program.

- Noted - Cll Mrs KM has taken the information for examination with a view to disseminating the detail to various community groups.

5.3.3 Glaisdale Open Gardens + Church of England survey re pastoral finance & the community.

- Noted - Members advised that there will be no Open Gardens event in 2012 but that the event will continue in 2013 - details to be decided later in the year.
- Members also advised of proposed survey of Parochial Parishioners, to be circulated soon, to determine support for diversification of use of church assets (buildings, Halls etc.) to improve use by the community and to widen the potential for financial support of these assets and so help secure their future for the community.

**Newsletters received :**

None received

**Publications received :**

None received

Other items of communication were received.

**6. REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED**

- Cllrs RN & CP advised members of visit made to the new Affordable Housing development at Glaisdale in conjunction with Sanctuary Housing, Glaisdale schoolchildren and a local press photographer.

**7. MATTERS OF INTEREST RAISED BY MEMBERS**

**7.1** Broken drain cover at Lealholm – on common land near to bridge over Esk.

- Clerk to contact Yorkshire Water to have drain cover repaired/replaced as a public safety issue.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING :** Will be on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2012, commencing at 7.30pm, and will be held at The Robinson Institute, Glaisdale