

THORNTON LE DALE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for Parish Council Meeting No 20
Held Thursday 19th February 2015 at 7-00pm in the Village Hall

PRESENT

The meeting opened at 1900 hrs with Councillors J Garbut (Chairman), I Biggins, P Charles, D Porter, R Allanson, A Monkhouse and five members of the public.

1 NOTICE OF MEETING

Resolved. That notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Schedule 12 para 10(2) of the Local Government Act, 1972.

2 APOLOGIES

Councillor G Acomb

3 PLANNING

Applicant: Forestry Commission NYM/2015/0019/FL
Address: Dalby Forest
Application: Revised access arrangements, erection of larch clad shelter and installation of satellite mast (max height 5 meters) with associated cabinet at Pexton Moor. Creation of new access to the north of Pexton Moor, revised access arrangements and installation of satellite mast (max height 5 metres) with associated cabinet at Ebberston together with creation of new car park, link footpath to the Visitor Centre and field access and cattle pen at Sievedale at Dalby Forest.

All Councillors objected to this application. The proposed access to and exit from Dalby Forest would cause major problems to the residents, their visitors and delivery vehicles.

Applicant: Mrs G Forster NYM/2015/0054/FL
Address: Brookfield, Maltongate
Application: Alterations and extensions to domestic outbuildings to provide 2 No. garages and garden stores

Five Councillors objected to this application on the grounds that an increase in vehicles using this lane would cause further problems when they enter Roxby Road. Roxby Road is already notorious for the amount of traffic that uses it and a further increase in vehicles joining this road would compound the problem and increase the chance of accidents.

One Councillor thought that the application should be granted.

4 CORRESPONDENCE

- 29/15 The resignation of the Caretaker was discussed and the job description for a future Caretaker was debated. It was decided that the Clerk would forward a copy of the work carried out by the incumbent to all Councillors and they would finalise the “Job Description” at the meeting in March.
- 30/15 Concerns were voiced from the Councillors and the public regarding the danger involved when using the Pelican Crossing. There has been many a near miss on this crossing caused by vehicles turning right out of Whitbygate and proceeding north towards Pickering. Recently a lady was struck by a car while using this crossing and was taken to hospital for treatment. Fortunately this accident was not fatal but as the Council and residents have said this will eventually be the case. The Clerk received the following email from Richard Marr and hopefully in the very near future this problem will be resolved.

Michael

I have spoken again to the Signals Engineer and he still believes the only remaining solution to deal with this particular manoeuvre is to fully signalise this junction, so Whitbygate drivers only go on a green light. This will mean the signal heads will be located at the current crossing point, a set some distance up Whitbygate and a set somewhere near the bus shelter. We may also have to look at Maltongate to see if the current one-way system would still be appropriate.

There are serious questions over the formation of queues on the A170 in Thornton le Dale and whether the signal heads would fit in Whitbygate. Plus, the not insignificant cost (£80k to £100k) would be another issue to resolve.

However, Peter Horne is drawing up a scheme to get a better idea of what will or will not fit, and a better estimate.

Once we have this we can determine what we could possibly do.

Yours

Richard

The Clerk was asked to contact Highways regarding the notification Beeper on the Pelican Crossing: this does not work during the night and will ask if this can be rectified.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 3rd March 2015 at 1930 hrs in the Hill Memorial Institute.

The meeting closed at 2005 hrs.