

# Kirkby Fleetham with Fencotes Parish Council

**Minutes of meeting –18th March 2021 at 7.30pm held as a “Virtual’ meeting via Zoom**

**Present:** Parish Councillors: Mrs Herbert, Mrs Booth, Mr Coop, Mr Jones, Mr Walker, District Councillor Phillips, County Councillor Wilkinson and 2 residents.

Issues raised in the 10 minute session:

Planning: Concerns were raised against the recent outline planning application for the construction of 5 residential dwellings with access from Lumley Lane. The concerns raised were it is difficult to make a final decision when the Hambleton District Council Local Plan has not been finalised and the serious flooding from land run off to the proposed site.

The green notice for this application is displayed in the wrong field, a considerable distance away from the site. Comments can be made until April 6th.

1. **Apologies:** There were no apologies.
2. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday, 18th February 2020** were accepted and signature agreed.

Acceptance was proposed by Cllr Coop and seconded by Cllr Herbert.

## 3. Matters to Report

Tuffnells: There has been no response from the Clerk's letter regarding the damage caused to the Village Green, Great Fencote. The Clerk will contact Tuffnells.

Planning Portal: The Clerk has got access to the Parish Portal. The Councillors can now register for access.

## 4. Burial Ground

Update: There have been no recent burials.

St Andrew's Church: Cllr Jones has reported that there has been no update from Hambleton District Council about the damage to the boundary wall at St Andrew's Church from the adverse weather conditions.

St Mary's Churchyard: The Stephenson Family are moving from Kirkby Fleetham Hall and the Groundsman will not continue to mow St Mary's Church. The short grass areas will need cutting to start very soon and councillor Herbert will contact Richard White to see if he can do this in addition to Fencote site, and what the likely cost might be to manage the whole site over the year.

A "Friends of St Mary's Churchyard " group has been formed in Kirkby Fleetham and some ladies have been working hard to clear vegetation from some of the old gravestones and document the inscriptions on them all. The next step is to map the grave sites. A

plan is being drawn up for areas of the churchyard to be managed for wildlife and flowers by a mowing programme.

## 5. Correspondence

YLCA Webinar - Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities (0103/21), The Rural Bulletins (0203/20), NYCC bulletins (0303/21), NYCC Letter from the Leader to Parish and Town Councillors (0403/21), White Rose Updates (0503/21), YLCA Off to a Flying Start Webinar (0503/21), Members Weekly Briefing (0603/21), Rural Transport & Access Partnership (RTAP) meeting (0703/21), Consultation on Local Government Reorganisation in North Yorkshire (0803/21), Training E-Bulletins (0903/21), YLCA Remote Conference (1003/21), YLCA - Training Programme (1103/21), YLCA Training Courses By The Parkinson Partnership (1203/21), Solar Farm Traffic (1303/21), YLCA Finance training for smaller councils (1403/21), YLCA - Managing council employees (1503/21), YLCA Are you getting the most out of the technology available to Local Councils? (1603/21), PFCC Notice of Election (1703/21), Go Compare - Website Update Request (1803/21), Traffic Calming Money Query for Kirkby Fleetham School (1903/21), YLCA - Local Council Powers (1903/21), YLCA - Spreading your Wings Webinar (2003/21), Greenshere R&C - Grass Cutting Quote, Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall (2103/21).

These were all circulated via email.

Chapel, Great Fencote: The owners of the Chapel, Great Fencote have not replied to the Clerk's response after the owners contacted the Parish regarding the property's trees and shrubs growing beyond the boundary wall and are encroaching onto the village green by several meters in places, preventing grass cutting. The Councillors agreed to organise a working party in September to avoid the main breeding season for nesting birds before cutting back

## 6. Finance

- a) It was resolved to pay the following and cheques were signed accordingly:

N. Lowe wages for March to date (chq 315)

This was proposed by Cllr Booth and seconded by Cllr Jones.

Flat Cap & Rose Home & Garden Maintenance £160.00 for Strim and cut overgrown and seeded sapling areas around Church Yard (chq 318)

Yorkshire Local Councils Associations £15 for Roles and Responsibilities of a Councillor Webinar Session (chq 317)

WK Stubbs & Sons £42 for Hedge trimming at Fencote Church (chq 316)

This was proposed by Cllr Walker and seconded by Cllr Booth.

- b) Income:

There has been £1,440 income for the Burial Authority (£500 and £940) and £35.41 for the Parish Council from Northern Electric.

## 7. Planning

### a. Application

**Proposal:** **21/00582/OUT:** Outline planning application (some matters reserved) for the construction of 5 No. residential dwellings with access from Lumley Lane

**Location:** Land At Friars Garth Lumley Lane Kirkby Fleetham North Yorkshire

**Applicant:** Greensit

The Councillors agreed for the Clerk to write to Hambleton District Council with the Parish's comments on the planning proposal which include surface water disposal from the site, flooding issues due to water run off from higher land at the rear, street lighting to avoid light pollution to the area, sewage system and the preference for a linear housing design rather than a cluster, in keeping with the village built form.

**Proposal:**        **21/00543/FUL:** Construction of a roof structure over an existing silage pit

**Location:** Land South West Of Lodge Farm Low Street Kirkby Fleetham

**Applicant:** Richard Barker

Councillors had no objections.

#### **b. Outcomes**

There were no outcomes.

### **8. Progress Report re Solar Farm Grant**

Construction:        The frames are up. The solar panels will continue to arrive until the end of April. Completion is on course for the end of May. The Councillors agreed to arrange a visit to the Solar Farm on completion.

Lychgate:            The Clerk hasn't received any responses following the Parish's letter requesting a quotation for the construction of the lychgate. Cllr Walker will chase the recipients.

Play Area:            The Clerk hasn't received any responses following the Parish's letter enquiring about the area immediately behind the car park at the Black Horse. The Clerk will check to see if the owners have received the letter.

Cllr Jones proposed that the Councillors meet at Kirkby Fleetham Village Green to view the Parish owned land to check if the land would be suitable to build a play area.

### **9. Parish Annual Meeting**

Cllr Herbert and Cllr Jones will complete an initial consultation and create the Agenda for the Parish Annual Meeting. Once complete the Agenda will be circulated to the Councillors. Cllr Herbert will contact Yorkshire Local Councils Associations to check when the Annual Meeting can take place.

### **10. Any Other Business**

Logging Trucks:        There have been a number of logging trucks travelling through the village. The Councillors agreed for the Clerk to write to Hambleton District Council to check if any chipping/logging companies in the area have received planning permission.

Fly Tipping:            There are a very large number of tyres stored at Village Farm, Lumley

Lane which could cause an environmental issue. The Councillors agreed for the Clerk to write Hambleton District Council to check if Village Farm have a license for storing rubbish, if not could Hambleton District Council do something about the tyres.

Grass cuttings: Following the quotes from Greensphere Grounds and C.E & C.M Walker Ltd for the local grass cutting, the Councillors agreed to continue the services of C.E & C.M Walker Ltd. The Clerk was asked to request that they start the grass cutting from 01 April 2021.

**Meeting closed at 9.15pm.**

**Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, 15th April 2021.**