

UPPER POPPLETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE POPPLETON CENTRE, MAIN STREET, UPPER POPPLETON AT 7.00 PM ON MONDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2021

PRESENT:

Councillor Stuart Robson (Chairman)

Councillor Robin Garland

*Councillor Anne Hook

Councillor David Johnson

Councillor Roper Langford

Councillor Neil Lawrence

Councillor Sheri Scruton

Councillor Rae Youngman

Thirteen members of the public

Mr James Mackman (Clerk)

21.189 - TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (NOT PREVIOUSLY DECLARED) ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None.

21.190 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE GIVEN IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Alan Catterick

21.191 - TO CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF REASONS GIVEN FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Carrick's reason for absence was approved.

21.192 - TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 OCTOBER 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2021, having been circulated and read, were accepted signed as a true record.

21.193 - TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25 OCTOBER 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 25 October 2021, having been circulated and read, were accepted signed as a true record.

21.194 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public addressed the Parish Councillors on three topics on the agenda

21.198(d) - Replacing the existing City Council-owned bus shelter with one constructed of wood

The members of the public who talked about this subject were opposed to replacing the existing bus shelter and gave a detailed history of the problems that they had experienced when the old brick bus shelter had been there.

21.199(a) To discuss and make any appropriate recommendations to the City of York Council concerning the safety of traffic movements along Black Dyke Lane

Members of the public expressed concern about the amount of traffic and the speed of the traffic diverting from the A59 to avoid the queues at the A59/A1237 roundabout. They made a number of suggestions as to what measures could be taken to make the lane safer, including erection of

20mph speed restrictions signs at each end of the Lane, no footpath signs, possible speed humps beyond the houses outbound etc

21.199(c) To discuss the possibility of asking the City Council to re-examine the state and status of School Lane

Residents gave an explanation of how a local farmer had grubbed out the hedges at the end of the lane and was now cultivating the area as part of the field. Residents were vociferous in asking for support in reclaiming the land grab and restoration of hedges and gate.

21.195 - TO RECEIVE THE CITY OF YORK COUNCILLOR’S REPORT – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Cllr. Anne Hook gave a short report on City Council related items.

21.196 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) To consider the following Planning Applications: -

The Councillors considered the planning applications received since the October Parish Council meeting as listed below: -

Details of Planning Applications	Comments
Ref: 21/02129/FUL – Single-storey rear extension, 2no. dormers to rear, 1no. rooflight to side and 1no. rooflight to rear, replacement roof to existing front conservatory and alterations to existing fenestration at The Cedars, 50 Dikelands Lane.	No objections
Ref: 21/02234/FUL – Conservatory to rear at 139 Long Ridge Lane.	No objections
Ref: 21/02265/FUL - Variation of condition 4 of permitted application 20/00228/FUL to amend condition wording to refer to the barn conversion and not the existing main dwelling at Model Farm House, The Green.	No objections
Ref: 21/02338/FUL - First floor side and single storey rear extension, and conversion of garage to living accommodation at 23 Springfield Road	No objections
Ref: 21/02369/TCA - Crown reduce 1no. Oak tree in a Conservation Area at 1 Oak Villa, Hodgson Lane.	No objections but note that there is no specialist report to support this application and we recommend that the CYC arboriculturalist inspects the tree.
Ref: 21/02383/FUL - First floor side extension and single-storey rear extension and replacement canopy to front at 16	No objections

Fairway Drive.	
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(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

It was noted that the Local Planning Authority had **approved** the following applications: -

- Ref: 21/01068/FUL - Conversion of existing barn to form storage area and garden room with WC. Erection of lean-to canopy to rear at Green View, The Green. (Revised application)
- Ref: 21/01069/LBC - Conversion of existing barn to form storage area and garden room with WC. Insertion of 4no. rooflights to rear south roof planes. Erection of lean-to canopy to rear at Green View, The Green.
- Ref: 21/01752/FUL – Single-storey rear extension, dormer to rear and 3no. rooflights to front, partial demolition and conversion of outbuilding to living accommodation at Westgarth, Hodgson Lane.

It was noted that the following planning application had been **withdrawn**: -

- Ref: 20/01461/LBC - Internal and external alterations to provide extraction flue and two wall hung air conditioning compressors to rear – retrospective at 20/01460/FUL the Lord Collingwood, The Green.

21.197 - FINANCE

(a) To receive a financial statement

The Clerk had emailed Councillors a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period 8th November 2021. The report reflected the receipts and payments below. The bank balances on 8th November were: -

Current Account	£500.00
Business Money Manager Account	£49,530.03

(b) To note accounts for payment (net of VAT);

DD	E.ON Next	Guild hut electricity	£9.28
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BP	James Mackman	Salary – November	£537.26
BP	HM Revenue & Customs	Income tax – November	£134.20
BP	James Mackman	Expenses including printer toner	£204.42
BP	Poppleton Community Trust	Room hire October	£24.00

(c) To receive a report on income received

H M Revenue & Customs	VAT refund	£289.23
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(d) To consider a request from the Poppleton Community Trust for payment of this year's grant as provided in the budget (£3,000)

This was agreed. (**Action Clerk**)

*Councillor Hook joined the meeting at this point in the agenda.

21.198 - TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO THE VILLAGE GREENS, ALLOTMENTS AND GUILD HUT

(a) To consider a report from the Greens Working Group including: -

i. Replacing the existing City Council-owned bus shelter with one constructed of wood

It was agreed that, as this was an emotive subject, there would be a consultation for all residents by means of a Newsletter which would put forward points supporting a replacement bus shelter and points opposing the same.

ii. A request to plant a tree in memory of Millie Wright

No further news on this subject.

iii. To consider quotations for the work identified in the last tree survey

The Clerk reported that he had approached two contractors. One had declined to quote for the work. The other had submitted a quotation. It was resolved that two more quotations should be received so that a fair comparison could be made. **(Action Clerk)**

(b) Trees

No further news on this subject.

(c) Events including Remembrance Sunday

The Chairman reported that all arrangements for this year's Remembrance Service on the Green are in hand. Now that the Covid pandemic appears to be partially in retreat the Guides and Scouts will parade this year.

(d) Maintenance including: -

i. Replacing the seat in front of the All Saints Church wall

It was agreed that Ken Falkingham repair the seat currently situated in front of the All Saints Church wall (inscribed "Upper Poppleton Parish") and install it where the "Higginbotham" seat used to be, opposite the bus shelter on the Green. The Chairman is to follow up on the offer by a local resident of a replacement seat for the "Upper Poppleton Parish" seat.

ii. Deciding what to do about replacing the "Higginbotham" seat which was opposite the bus stop on the Green

The seat will be replaced by the "Upper Poppleton Parish" seat currently located in front of the All Saints Church wall.

(e) Allotments

No news on this subject.

(f) Guild Hut

No news on this subject.

21.199 - TO CONSIDER MATTERS RELATING TO HIGHWAYS, FOOTPATHS, LAMPPOSTS & SIGNS

(a) To discuss and make any appropriate recommendations to the City of York Council concerning the safety of traffic movements along Black Dyke Lane.

It was agreed that the Parish Council should send a letter to the City Council expressing the concerns over the safety of traffic movements along Black Dyke Lane following complaints about speeding vehicles. 20MPH signs, no footpath signs, limit of HGVs unless access to properties necessary,. However the idea of turning Black Dyke Lane into a cul-de-sac was rejected due to access necessary for agricultural vehicles to the fields. **(Action Councillor Robson & Clerk)**

(b) To discuss the problem with cars parked on the roads in Upper Poppleton

The Councillors discussed the City Council's consultation on extending the yellow lines by the crossing gates by 15 metres. This was agreed. The City Council is to be informed of the decision. **(Action Clerk)**

(c) *To discuss the possibility of asking the City Council to re-examine the state and status of School Lane*

After discussion it was agreed that Councillor Langford should write a letter, to be agreed by all the Councillors and sent by the Clerk to the City Council, asking that the City Council instructs the farmer to replace the hedge and ensure that the lane is accessible to vehicles to the far end of the Blairgowrie estate. **(Action Councillor Langford)**

(d) *To consider reports on vandalism*

It was reported that on Mischief Night (30 October) eggs at had been thrown at the windows of some of the houses and Halloween displays in front gardens had been destroyed.

(e) *To receive other reports*

None.

21.200 - TO CONSIDER COUNCILLOR & CLERK TRAINING

Councillors had considered the courses on offer by the YLCA but agreed that none were relevant to the Parish Council.

21.201 - TO RECEIVE COMMITTEES' REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

(a) *Listed Buildings Working Group*

It was noted that the Group had not met since the October Parish Council meeting.

(b) *Poppleton Community Trust*

Councillor Youngman reported on the recent meeting of the Executive Committee.

(c) *Queen's Platinum Jubilee Working Group*

Councillor Robson reported on the recent Group meeting.

(d) *Village Show*

No report.

(e) *YLCA York Branch*

The Chairman reported he had been to YLCA AGM which was badly attended and totally non-productive.

(f) *Youth Club*

No report.

(g) *Any other meeting*

None.

21.202 - TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON VILLAGE POLICING

The Clerk reported that there had been only one incident in Upper Poppleton reported to the police in October 2021.

21.203 -TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT ON PROGRESS ON THE FOLLOWING:

(a) *Moving the bench at the corner of Long Ridge Lane (Min. 21.175a)*

The Clerk reported that he had had no communication from the City Council regarding permission to relocate the seat but that the seat was now damaged. It was resolved that Ken Falkingham be asked to quote for carrying out the necessary repairs to the seat and removing it to his store until the City Council has agreed to its relocation.

(b) *The easement for Model Farm (Min. 21.175c)*

It was agreed to defer discussion on this subject.

(c) *The two signs be erected regarding no overnight camping in the car park adjacent to the Lord Collingwood (Min. 21.169a i)*

It was reported that the two signs have been bought. Arrangements are being made for them to be installed in the car park.

(d) *Planting a hedge between the car park adjacent to the Lord Collingwood and the footpath (Min. 21/169d ii)*

It was reported that the hedging has been bought and will be planted soon.

(e) *Replacing the “No Parking” notice near to where the “Higginbotham” seat was on the Green (Min. 21/169d v)*

It was reported that the sign has been ordered.

(f) *The replacement of some of the tubs (Min. 21/169d vi)*

It was reported that the tubs to be removed have been identified and will be gone soon.

(g) *The purchase of daffodil bulbs and compost (Min. 21/169d vii)*

It was reported that the daffodils have been bought and planted.

(h) *The removal of the palm trees at the junction of Black Dyke Lane with Station Road (Min. 21/169d viii)*

It was reported that Dave Gregory has agreed to remove the palm trees and make good the areas from which they will have been removed.

(i) *The removal of the plants in front of the Millennium sign at the top of Station Road (Min. 21/170b)*

It was reported that the plants have been removed.

21.204 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

It was noted that the correspondence received since the October meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors.

- (a) CYC - Station Road yellow line proposals
- (b) National Grid - Yorkshire Green consultation letter
- (c) Poppleton Community Trust - Minutes of 19 October meeting
- (d) YLCA - Bilsdale mast update
- (e) YLCA - Bilsdale mast - another update
- (f) YLCA - White Rose update
- (g) YLCA - Training programme for December to February

21.205 – TO NOTE FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Date of Meeting	Meeting	Venue/ Time	Councillors Attending
17 Nov	Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Group	Poppleton Centre/ 7.00pm	Robson, Youngman

21.206 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS

None.

21.207 - TO CONSIDER NEW ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

None.

21.208 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting be held on Monday 10th January 2022.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.03pm.

CHAIRMAN

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