

Kettlewell with Starbotton Parish Council

Meeting held 6 September 2017 at 7:30pm in Kettlewell Village Hall

Present: Cllr Harvey (chairman), Cllr Appleton, Cllr Lister, Cllr Parker, Cllr Spillett (clerk), County Councillor Quinn and 6 members of the public.

Apologies: District Councillor Graham

1. Declaration of interest

Cllr Lister declared an interest in repair of Cam Beck, Kettlewell stepping stones. Cllr Spillett declared an interest in any Environment Agency related matters on the stepping stones.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 June, 19 June and 5 July 2017 were a correct record and they were signed.

3. Matters arising from the minutes

- a. District Cllr Graham had reported that the Starbotton phone box was safe from disconnection. However, MP Julian Smith had forwarded a neutral response from Craven District Council (CDC) which would be followed-up. **Action Cllr Harvey**
- b. The playground committee were putting up notices that walls must not be climbed.
- c. Playground wall ownership was would be followed-up. **Action Cllr Harvey**
- d. Cost of advice from the Community Land Advisor Service on Land Registry cautions would be followed-up. **Action Cllr Parker**
- e. Starbotton and Kettlewell hydrants were to be checked. **Action Mr Wilkinson**
- f. Zarina Belk and Melanie Thornton have taken over as War Memorial guardians.
- g. Street lighting volunteers' adverts placed and reissued, but as yet there had been no response.
- h. A date would be agreed for a County Council street lighting officer to visit and advise on modernisation. **Action Cllr Harvey**
- i. Repair to football pitch gate. **Action Cllr Lister**
- j. Patching-up of chicken wire around football pitch. **Action Cllr Appleton**
- k. Council was not able to advise on the value of the War Memorial, as requested by insurer. **Action Cllr Spillett**
- l. A contact at CDC Environmental Health would be followed-up for dog waste bin relocation and other related issues. **Action Cllr Spillett**

4. Reports from North Yorkshire County Council and Craven District Council

Cllr Quinn gave a report to the meeting highlighting she had a locality budget that could be applied for.

Cllr Graham had sent a written report that was read to the meeting.

5. Stepping Stones

The YDNP had inspected the Wharfe stepping stones in Kettlewell and Starbotton. Those in Kettlewell were useable but those in Starbotton would need quite extensive repairs which would be possible without an Environment Agency consent.

It was agreed not to repair the stepping stones across Cam Beck, Kettlewell, as were not on a right of way. **Action Cllr Spillett**

6. **Streetlight Update**

No report was available. It was noted that several lights were out in Starbotton and Kettlewell.

7. **Clerk's Report**

Cllr Spillett gave a verbal report. The new website was live and had been fully populated. A letter of thanks would be sent to John Taylor for his work. Other websites with links to the Parish Council's would be contacted to update the address to www.kettlewell-starbotton-pc.gov.uk/ **Action Cllr Spillett**

8. **Report on accounts**

- a. It was noted that on 24 August Barclay's Business Saver had £7,002 and Barclay's Community Account £100.
- b. It was noted that £999 had been received from HMRC in repayment of VAT.
- c. The signing of cheques was noted for payments agreed in the budget setting meeting: the first instalment of the grass cutting contract £430, to reissue the cheque for election expenses in 2015, which has been lost after posting to Craven District Council (the original was sent in March 2017 and has not been cashed) £120; and the insurance premium for 2017-18 £403.
- d. It was resolved to pay the second instalment of the grass cutting contract £430; for parish bench repainting £345 and SLCC annual membership £45.

9. **Correspondence**

- a. The letter from a parishioner who had written to express their horror at the felling of a large beech tree in Middle Lane, Kettlewell was noted.
- b. It was agreed no further action would be taken on the report of saplings growing in the walls of Cam Beck, Kettlewell.
- c. It was resolved that the Council did not support increasing the minimum number of councillors to seven. The CDC community governance questionnaire response would be completed. **Action Cllr Spillett**
- d. It was resolved that the Council did not support the PCC's proposals on improved collaboration between the Police and Fire Services and a consultation reply would be made. **Action Cllr Spillett**
- e. It was resolved to respond to the NYCC hazardous waste collection consultation firmly rejecting the idea of a charge being made for collections. **Action Cllr Spillett**
- f. It was agreed that Cllrs Appleton, Parker and Spillett would review possible attendance at the YDNP Southern Parish Forum meeting at 7pm on 21 September in Ingleton. **Action Cllrs Appleton, Parker and Spillett**

10. **Planning Matters**

- a. It was resolved to object to application C/46/50H – Hill Top, Starbotton - full planning permission for erection of chalet type holiday accommodation to replace existing stable block for the reasons stated on the previous application, although the design was felt to be more acceptable. **Action Cllr Spillett**
- b. It was noted that C/46/268 - Starbotton Cam/Starbotton Out Moor – YDNP held a site visit and the application was conditionally approved

- c. It was noted that C/46/264A - Wharfe Camp, Dowber House, Kettlewell, conditionally approved
- d. It was noted that C/46/264B - Dowber House, Kettlewell, conditionally approved

11. Matters raised by the public

- a. It was requested that the Scarecrow Committee be asked to get the dog waste bins emptied more frequently during the Festival. **Action Cllr Spillett**
- b. The road slipping away on the Knipe, was a safety issue and should not be forgotten about.
- c. The rules on a councillor remaining in the meeting room while a matter they had declared an interest in would be confirmed at the next meeting. **Action Cllr Spillett**