

Kettlewell with Starbotton Parish Council

Meeting held on 3 July 2019 at 7:30pm in Kettlewell Village Hall

Present: Cllr Macefield (chair), Cllr Appleton, Cllr Parker, Cllr Spillett (clerk), County Cllr Quinn, Mrs Vetch and Mrs Fairweather and 13 members of the public.

1. **Apologies**

Cllr Lister (at work)

2. **Declarations of interest**

Cllr Macefield declared an interest in refunding his training course costs. There were no other declarations of interest.

3. **Minutes of the previous meeting**

It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 June and 26 June were a correct record and they were signed.

4. **Kettlewell School ...educating for the 21st century**

Mrs Vetch (Chair of Governors): and [Nikki] (Parent Governor) gave a presentation and then took questions on the school and how it works with the 3 other schools in the Upper Wharfedale Primary Federation.

5. **Reports from North Yorkshire County Council and Craven District Council.**

- a. Cllr Quinn advised that David Bell (NYCC Highways) was willing to visit and carry out an inspection with councillors and would be invited. **Action Cllr Spillett**
- b. No report was available from CDC.

6. **Planning**

- c. It was noted that a site visit was made at 6:30pm on 7 June to review application C/46/134C householder planning permission for erection of single storey side extension at Hawthorn Cottage, Westgate, Kettlewell. It was attended by Cllrs Appleton, Lister, Macefield, Parker and Spillett. After discussion, it was resolved to support that application.
- d. Following comments being submitted, a parishioner had written expressing concern on parking for the application. After discussion it was agreed that parking had been addressed in the application. **Action Cllr Spillett**

7. **Accounts**

- a. It was noted that on 24 May 2019, Barclays Business Saver £10,790 and Community Account £100
- b. It was resolved to pay and cheques could be signed for: £5,934 to Malcolm Land and Son Limited for new parish signs, (as previously agreed); £412.05 to Zurich Municipal for parish insurance August 2019-2020; £120 to Robin Kite Gardening for the War Memorial gardening (as previously agreed); £120 to Cllr Macefield to refund the costs of a YLCC councillor training day; £50 to Clare Smith for internal audit fees (as previously agreed); and £45 in subscription to the Open Spaces Society (as previously agreed). **Action Cllr Spillett**

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- c. A donation from the Mayfest committee for new Starbotton and Kettlewell signs was handed over. It was resolved to send a letter of thanks. **Action Cllr Spillett**
 - d. It was noted that following the accounts meeting on 26 June the annual return had been published on the parish council website and sent to PKF Littlejohn LLP, as required. A copy has also been placed on the Kettlewell notice board.
8. **Starbotton visit**
- a. It was noted that at 6:30pm on 26 June a Starbotton visit was made by Cllrs Appleton, Lister, Macefield and Spillett. During their visit, councillors were accompanied by several local residents.
 - b. After discussion it was resolved to:
 - Temporarily add the small area to the south of Starbotton the parish grass cutting. **Action Cllr Spillett**
 - Follow-up the parish's land ownership **Action Cllr Spillett**
 - Contact BT to repaint the phone box **Action Cllr Spillett**
 - Replace several key lights which caused nuisance. It was agreed that replacement of lights would be taken forward once initial testing of the intended lighting units had been concluded. **Action Cllr Parker**
9. **Correspondence**
- a. It was resolved to conduct a visit to Kettlewell at 5:30pm on 7 August. Meeting outside the Village Stores. The historic cobbles would be inspected as would other areas of interest. **Action all Cllrs**
 - b. Two Starbotton volunteers had asking to be co-opted onto the parish council. It did not seem that this was possible from initial investigations. It would be followed-up with CDC's Electoral Services team. **Action Cllr Spillett**
10. **Matters arising from the minutes**
- It was noted that:
- a. As agreed, Cllr Lister had removed the two posts on Kettlewell village green.
 - b. A street lighting update was given.
 - c. Cllr Macefield reported good progress on bench etc adoption for painting.
 - d. Cllr Lister had followed up the loss of the dog bin on Conistone Road CDC were not keen to replace it without finding what had happened the previous bin. There was to be a site visit by CDC at 10am on 8 July.
 - e. Cllr Spillett reported that Emergency Committee members were still sought.
 - f. Online update on Highways concerns still to be made. **Action Cllr Spillett**
 - g. The parish council's historic files smelled strongly of damp.
 - h. Cllr Macefield reported that Grassington's Boots was recruiting new staff which was seen as a positive sign.
 - a. Cllr Spillett read out CDC's explanation of 1.8% parish precept rise.

11. **Matters raised by the public**

It was reported that:

- a. Kettlewell stepping stones are no longer safe to use. Action Cllr Spillett
- b. The hedge growing over the land opposite Langcliffe Garth, Kettlewell needed cut back to allow the grass to be cut. This would be followed-up with the house owner, by a member of the public.
- c. The historic cobbles and gutters in Kettlewell have been left in an awful mess, by builders not realising their importance.
- d. The King's Head bins were being stored on the road.
- e. It was confirmed that the Hawthorn Cottage planning application does mention the demolition of a garage to allow more parking.
- f. Concerns were raised about the Threshfield Spar not replacing its cash point.