

**SLINGSBY, SOUTH HOLME AND FRYTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held in the Village Hall on Monday November 18th 2013 at 7pm.**

MINUTES

Present: Councillors C Wilson (Chairman), A Shepherd, M Singleton, F Farnell and P Snowball. Also present were D Farley (Clerk), County Councillor C Wood, District Councillor R Wainright and two members of the public.

Cllr C Wood gave a report on the work being done by NYCC. She assured everyone that work would begin on The Lawns to stop the road flooding in the future. The Highways authority has no objection to the trees and bushes being cut back to give better sight of the road signs at the cross roads. The slow signs at South Holme had been done but it was unlikely that anything would be done at Ness bridge.

Cllr Wainright said that Ryedale hoped to keep the Council Tax rise to less than 2%. A charge of £27 per annum will be made for the brown bins. There is no cap on Parish Council precepts.

1. Comments from members of the public.

There were no comments from the public.

2. Apologies.

No apologies for absence were received.

3. Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting held on September 9th and planning meeting held on September 23rd 2013 were agreed and signed.

4. Code of Conduct.

Councillors were reminded to make disclosures of interests as required by the Code of Conduct.

5. Reports.

For information only.

i) Chairman's report.

Cllr Wilson reported that he had been asked a number of times about the date for installation of the new streetlight on Railway Street.

ii) Clerks report.

1. The Howardian Hills Management Plan had been received.

2. Rural Action Yorkshire Community Hub.

How to run Community Hub Projects event-Saturday 23rd November at Pannal Village Hall(Harrogate).

3. RDC Local Plan adoption-details

[onhttp://extranet.ryedale.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=7085](http://extranet.ryedale.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=7085)

4. Tree Preservation Order .The Balk.

5. War Memorial registration and funding.

iii)The Neighbourhood Watch meeting had been well attended but disappointing that only one person had agreed to be a coordinator. It was agreed to put adverts in the Triangle and on the website. People will still be able to put their names forward.

6. Exchange of information and items for the next agenda.

Questions from councillors and officers (for information only).

- a) A meeting was arranged for December 9th to discuss the budget and Licensing Consultation.
- b) Measures to stop accidents at the cross roads.

7. Annual Governance.

The external auditors report was received and it was noted that the "Notice of conclusion of the audit and right to inspect the Annual Return" was posted on the notice board on September 14th 2013 for 14 days.

8. Grass cutting.

Specifications for the grass cutting contract were agreed which would be advertised asap.

9. Parish field.

It was agreed to advertise for tenders for the tenancy of the field for the next three years.

10. Allotments.

It was agreed to ask for a raise in rental of 6% for the allotments for the next two years.

11. Streetlights.

The quotes for replacement streetlights were considered and it was agreed to replace three old columns with heritage ones.

12. Meeting dates.

The meeting dates for 2013 were agreed.

13. Trees.

It was agreed to contact J Clayton to request permission for work to trim back the trees on the Green where necessary. Castle Howard would be contacted to ask them if they would be willing to do this work.

14. Highways.

It was agreed that Ryedale would be contacted to ask them to put in a new sign to make Porch Farm Close easier to find.

15. Planning results

- i) Erection of single storey extension to south elevation following demolition of existing attached storage shed. -**Approved.**

16. Clerks Employment.

The Clerks resignation was accepted and it was agreed to advertise the post.

17. Finance.

- i) The budget update and bank reconciliation were received.
- ii) The following payments were agreed and cheques signed.

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