

SLINGSBY, FRYTON & SOUTH HOLME PARISH COUNCIL

**Annual Parish Assembly at Slingsby Village Hall
23rd May 2022 commencing at 7.30pm**

Present: Cllr F Farnell (Chairman) Cllr A Farnell
Cllr G Dickinson (Vice Chairman) Gail Cook (Clerk)
108 Members of the public District Councillor Simon Thackray
County Councillor Steve Mason
Jasper Hasell (Castle Howard Estate Chief Executive), Nick Howard and three
Members Castle Howard team

1. Apologies for Absence

None

2. Minutes of the last meeting held on 12th July 2021

Approved

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Chair's Update

The Parish Council continues with its work and have completed the following during the last year:

- Headstone in the cemetery have been checked and deemed safe
- Grass cutting – village green, Green Dyke Lane and cemetery
- Street light maintenance programme with 3 new LED lights erected and now just waiting to be connected
- White lining on the B1257 took place and an additional 'Give Way' has been erected.
- Two new salt bins for Fryton were purchased
- The Maypole has been repainted. Thanks must go to John Breckon who managed the project on behalf of the Parish Council. A grant was gained with John's help from the Howardian Hills AONB

Work continues with:

- Flooding in Fryton and Slingsby
- Giving our comments on planning applications

Notes of Thanks –

Must go to Angela Shepherd who has been a Parish Councillor for a significant number of years and made a huge contribution during that time
Many Thanks to Alan Smith for cutting the grass on the top road without recompense

Notes –

No Dogs in the cemetery, it is not an exercise ground or dog toilet
Although dog fouling is a continuing problem, but one that we thought was under control, it would appear that some people have now decided not to use the dog waste bins and are throwing their bags over people's walls or leaving them in planters.

Upcoming matters:

Jubilee celebrations – flyer – hope residents are able to support some or all of the event, the committee have worked very hard

There are 4 parish councillor vacancies, please look for a notice on the notice board or website or see us after the meeting if you would like to apply.

Following the recent elections:

Our Ryedale District Councillors have one more year to serve.

Our North Yorkshire Councillors are: for Slingsby and Fryton – Steve Mason; and for South Holme – George Jabbour.

5. Report from Jasper Hasell, Castle Howard Estate Chief Executive

The Chair thanked Jasper for his comprehensive presentation.

6. Open Forum

1. Is this an official consultation?

RDC are producing their local plan before they cease to exist, they are wanting to ensure the views of local people are heard. Ryedale District Council will be carrying out the official consultation process, check their website for further details - Ryedale District Council Call For Sites.

2. Is this meeting going to be minuted?

Yes

3. In relation to the Sports Field, thank you for confirming that you do not intend to build on the sports field?

We had to think about access when submitting the sites, the intention was never to take away or build over the sports field, we are as passionate about green amenity land as you are. It might be necessary to relocate the club house in the future.

Would you consider gifting the site to protect it from development in future?

I am unable to make any promises today, when we first started talking about this particular area, Nick was passionate about keeping the amenity space in the sports field. There may be land with covenants in certain areas.

4. You started the conversation this evening saying that tonight was the first opportunity to talk to residents, why did you not involve the community earlier. I do not believe that the values have talked about this evening have been shown previously

From here on in we hope to be open and transparent, due to the RDC process, this is the first opportunity we have had to talk to residents but I want to remind you that this is a site allocation and not planning permission, if these sites were allocated, there would be a full planning consideration in detail for you to comment on.

5. Why would you consider a site near a sports field, at the moment it is a safe place for children to play.

Any new development would consider the safety of children.

6. Simon Thackray and Steve Mason, both District Councillors and both on the Sites Plan Working Party.

These sites will be considered tomorrow evening by the Working Party, this shows how tight the timescale has been.

7. **How would this development impact on a scheduled ancient monument and a listed building on the at risk register.**
We understand the importance and are prepared to go through the process, we are in the early stages.
8. **We have five protected views in the Village Design Statement, the proposals you are showing us affect these views. It is disappointing that this has not been brought up previously. Also, we would love to know how you are going look after the existing properties in Slingsby.**
We are working as hard as we can to upgrade and enhance the current housing stock, one of the reasons for selling some of those houses is to enhance the pot to enable us to upgrade other houses. It is a case that we know we must do better but new energy efficient housing stock is going to be healthy for the future.
9. **I am interested in the proportion of different types of housing, what proportion of rental housing?**
We do not know exactly the proportion of different types of housing as yet, we have also been working with Blenheim Estate who have done similar work to this i.e. local houses for local people and their employees. We need to retain a large number of properties for people who work for the estate, we have a waiting list of 180 people wanting properties. On the current model 35% of homes need to be affordable, we will have to sell some of the current housing stock to make this work. We will look at some of the new housing having a local occupancy clause, which is important to make this work in the future and avoid a village of holiday homes.
10. **300 new houses would have a significant impact on the village? Have you done a risk and impact assessment on the village?**
We have done a number of surveys, including a heritage impact survey. We will build at the lower density than allowed and over a 15-year period. We are conscious that we are building a lot of homes but we have had a low development rate over the years. We are not at the stage of doing a full impact assessment, if the site goes through, this will happen.
11. **The impact of people's lives needs to be considered, the life of residents in the village will change considerably.**
Ryedale District Council are considering putting a prime residency on new housing.
12. **You are going to double the size of Slingsby and you are on a sales pitch to do it.**
13. **Where are all the children who are going to live in these houses going to go to school, the primary school is full, the secondary school is full and does not provide a bus service to Malton Secondary, the doctors and dentists are full.**
All these services would require enhancement and infrastructure, we need to work with RDC to ensure that this happens.
14. **Some of the pupils living in Malton could not get into Malton schools, they are sent to Pickering schools, we have not got an NHS dentist that we can register with.**
15. **Balksyde planning permission is coming up for renewal. The consultation in this very room was very much against it but it still went through.**
Detailed planning application will be coming through on the Balk shortly, every site will have 35% affordable housing.

- 16. Why was the play area included in the sites development. There is a concern that the play area will be infill in the future.**
There was never intention to build on the play area, the intent is for access to the new development nearby.
- 17. The sports field is one of the best sites in the area, the viewing advantage point to watch sports from the club house is fantastic, moving the club house to the side of the sports field would not work.**
- 18. We are hearing that you would prefer not to build on the play area, my concern is that we will have 350 new families moving into the village over a period of time.**
If it is deemed that a piece of land that needs to be made available for a new school, then that will have to be considered and we will work with the local authorities and residents.