

Carthorpe Parish Council

MINUTES

of the Open Meeting held on Wednesday 15 May 2024 in Carthorpe Community Hall

Present

Mr Jonathan Jessop - Chairman (JJ)
Mr David Foulds - Parish Councillor (DF)
Mr Charlie Craggs - Parish Councillor (CC) Mrs Maggie Haigh - Clerk (MH)
Dr Catherine Grant - Parish Councillor (CG) 6 members of the public

24.33 Apologies for Absence

None received

24.34 Declarations of Interest

24.34.1 There were no declarations of interest.

24.35 Minutes of Previous Meeting

24.35.1 The minutes of the Open Meeting of 15 May 2023 were approved and signed as correct.

24.36 Matters Arising

24.36.1 Carthorpe to Burniston footpath had been cleared by CC since the last Open Meeting. CC agreed to continue undertaking this task.

CC

24.36.2 The “lampers” discussed at the 2023 AGM do not appear to have been caught and have quite recently been back.

24.36.3 Paul Vernon’s (PV) suggestion to spend remaining CIL funds on a further 30mph speed signs had not been taken up, but it was agreed to investigate further.

JJ

24.37 Chairman’s Report

24.37.1 The PC have met in person 7 times since 15 May 2023.

- Change of Members – Martin Deal resigned in January 2024 and David Foulds was co-opted on in April 2024.
- Commented on all planning applications presented and followed up on issues raised in these.
- Attendance at NYC and other seminars.
- Circulation of correspondence from NYC & others.
- Continued work on monitoring Public Rights of Way and reacted to and reported and followed up on complaints from members of the public.
- A Guidance for the Use of the Village Community Fund was produced.
- CIL Projects
 - 30mph signs rotated & maintained.
 - A solar light was sourced & installed on the Phone Box swap shop.
 - Ideas for CIL Projects discussed – including researching and updating local people who fell in WW1 & 2.
- A new PC website provider has been sourced and contracted to update and host our PC website & emails.
- A D-Day 80 Party agreed and planned for 6 June 2024.
- Village infrastructure maintained & grass verge cutting (defibrillator, waste bin, salt bins, noticeboard, benches).

- Various donations to local institutions and charities maintained and increased.
- Sound financial stewardship of funds and a minimal increase in precept initiated (Parish element of Council Tax).

24.38 NY Councillor's Report

24.38.1 DW presented the following:

North Yorkshire Council Report - May 2024

It is with great pleasure that I present my first annual report for North Yorkshire Council. It is now two years since I was elected as your County Councillor, and after one year, took my seat as Councillor on the new North Yorkshire Council. Much progress has been made in streamlining Local Government in the County. Firstly, a Chief Executive Officer was appointed in the form of Richard Flinton, who had been CEO of the old County Council. All other CEOs of the old District and Borough Councils have not been replaced, making a seven-figure saving. Several other tiers of the Staffing regime have now been rationalised, with more changes to come, making a more streamlined arrangement and further savings. Meanwhile, at Member level, monthly Seminars have been undertaken, explaining the working of many facets of the new Council on a step-by-step basis either face to face or by means of teams, on subjects ranging from Housing Strategy to Public Health to the Council Budget to Highways to mention just a few. I have been privileged to have been appointed Chairman of the Richmond Area Planning Committee which meets on the second Thursday of each calendar month. The planning Policy department has embarked on the creation of a new County wide Local Plan, which will, hopefully within the next four years, replace the seven existing District and Borough Local Plans. This is a huge task but has already reached the "Call for Sites" stage where suitable sites will be "allocated" for development within the new plan. It has been a privilege to have represented the people of the Bedale Division so far, and I look forward to being of service in the future. My door is always open.

24.39 Members Forum

- 24.39.1 JJ thanked all members of the public for attending and invited questions or comments.
- 24.39.2 PV brought up the issue of blocked road gulleys, asking if PC reports or public. The public are encouraged to report on the NYC Portal. PV agreed to report back to the PC on which gulleys he felt needed attention and PC to report.
- 24.39.3 Ian Lancaster (IL) asked the PC why it would report the removal of a hedge to NYC without speaking to the landowner. JJ explained that correct procedure had been followed when members of the public had raised the issue of a potential breach of planning consent. The PC report complaints to Enforcement at NYC for them to investigate. To date, no response had been received by the PC from NYC on this matter as they state that they are still investigating. IL volunteered to speak to NY Enforcement directly on the matter.
- 24.39.4 The issue of parking in the village was once again raised. DF advised that following the last PC meeting, a polite notice had been drafted and would appear in the next issue of Village Life.

MH/JJ

24.40 Date for the next meeting

- 24.40.1 In closing the meeting, JJ encouraged all to come forward with any issues and asked all to encourage other residents to attend PC meetings.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Date of the next Open Meeting to be held in May 2025.