

DRAFT MINUTES of the ORDINARY COUNCIL meeting held on Tuesday 27th February 2024

Present: Cllr Houghton Cllr Jordan Cllr Shields Cllr Spensley
Clerk: MRS C Smith 7 Members of the public PCSO Don Watson

24.21 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS-

Residents reported street lights off on the Corner of Feethams & West cottage and that the Village Green is getting chewed up by residents driving over it.

A representative from the Redmire Water Committee updated everyone that their AGM, will be on the 26th March at 7pm in the Village Hall.

- 24.22 APOLOGIES None.
- 24.23 DECLARATION OF INTEREST -None.
- 24.24 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 16TH JANUARY 2024-approved and signed as a correct record.

24.25 REPORTS

a) Police Report – Monthly crime bulletin (Appendix 1). Don Watson updated the Council on Spacewatch as well as concerns over sheep worrying, he left signs to remind people to keep dogs on a lead.

19.36 Cllr Shields joined the meeting.

- b) North Yorkshire Councillor- None.
- c) Parish Councillors- Cllr Houghton attended meetings to discuss rural Health Services.
- d) Update from the Clerk on training attended- The Clerk attended training on the Internal Audit regulations and practices as well as a Vision ICT webinar on how to update as well as improve the Parish Website.
- e) YLCA- Training bulletin noted.



- **24.26 ASSET REGISTER-**The Council reviewed and approved the asset register.
- **24.27 RISK MANAGEMENT-** The Council reviewed the current policy and resolved to revise this for approval at the Annual Meeting of the Council.

Action: Clerk to revise the Council Risk Assessments.

24.28 BEST KEPT VILLAGE 2024- The Council resolved not to participate in the competition.

24.29 CONSULTATIONS (FOR INFORMATION)

- a) NYC Local health and wellbeing strategy for North Yorkshire- this doesn't seem to apply to rural areas like wensleydale, does not refer to investment in infrastructure.
- **b)** NYC Let's Talk Food campaign which is live until 1 April.
- c) NYC Cost of living campaign.
- **d)** NYC consultation on proposed changes to the Council's Home to School Travel Policy.

24.30 HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE IN WENSLEYDALE

The Council noted the Leyburn Medical Practice PPG minutes.

Cllr Houghton attended a remote meeting with the Chairman of the NHS Humber & North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB). They spoke about health investments but this was mainly in urban areas, there was no reference to rural communities. Cllr Houghton is working to get a representative from the ICB to come to Wensleydale for a meeting to hear and see first hand the issues we face.

Cllr Houghton continues to lobby for the extension of general practice and more social care infrastructure.

The Parish Council will be contacting local councils in Wensleydale for support once a meeting is confirmed.



24.31 LAND & HIGHWAYS- The drains have been cleared by NYC Highways, however the bottom of the Village Green needs digging out. The Council will look at the trees reported and write to the residents asking them to prune back.

Action: Clerk to write to resident about trees.

24.32 FINANCE

- a) Bank Reconciliation Statement dated 31st January 2024-signed as a true record.
- **b) SLCC Subscription** The Council approved reimbursement of £100 towards SLCC fees.
- c) Items awaiting payment-Approved.
- d) Payment's schedule-Noted.

24.33 EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

- a) To note correspondence received-None.
- b) Exchange of information from Parish Councillors- None.
- c) Items for the next meeting Agenda- To be confirmed.
- 24.34 DATE OF NEXT MEETING -Tuesday 9th April 2024.



Appendix

Draft Minutes can be viewed by using the link below http://www.redmireparishcouncil.co.uk/FullCouncil.aspx

Monthly Police Report - Jan 5th - Feb 7th 2024

We do not report crimes whereby victims could be identified, for example Domestic Violence or harassment although they are included in the totals below.

Crimes of note; 7th Jan thieves entered the changing room at Cawkhill Park during a Rugby match stealing several mobile phones and purses, transactions were also carried out on the stolen bankcards. Overnight 26th Jan, 2 Quad bikes were stolen from the Carpley Green area, one fitted with a tracker was later recovered in the Bradford area. Overnight 4th Feb, Burglary at Yorebridge House an amount of cash was taken. Overnight 5th Feb, a Quad bike and a generator were stolen from the Wensley area.

- 21 Suspicious Circumstances.
- 8 Violence/stalking/harassment.
- 9 Road related offences (manner of driving/vehicles without tax or insurance and possible OPL).
- 12 Road Traffic Collisions (minor).
- 2 RTC (serious).
- 1 Criminal Damage.
- 9 Concern for Safety.
- 16 Abandoned Calls (misdialled / pocket dial).
- 2 Wildlife / Poaching.
- 13 Highway Disruption (Floods/Trees/Animals).
- 7 Theft.
- 3 Anti Social Behaviour nuisance.
- 3 Burglary.
- 1 Fraud (online/phone)

In total 146 calls were received reporting either the above or making General enquiries.

If you wish to receive information and updates of events/incidents, sign up to North Yorkshire Community messenger either by visiting, https://www.northyorkshirecommunitymessaging.co.uk or contact me, Donald.watson@northyorkshire.police.uk, providing your First name, Last name, House Number/Name, Postcode, Mobile number and email address and I will sign you up.

PCSO 5232 Don Watson PC355 Heather Campbell PCSO 5777 Sharon Diamond PCSO 5550 Tracie Taylor-Page



An Invitation from the Rotary Club of Richmond to the new

Best Kept Richmondshire Village

Competition of 2024

Dear Charlotte,

An Invitation

I am writing to share with you the new arrangements for the Best Kept Village Competition for 2024, and to invite your Village to take part.

We want to continue to celebrate the efforts communities make to provide lovely village environments. However, we also feel it is time to broaden the competition and to set some new challenges, which we hope you will find of real interest. Particularly, we wish to celebrate the many ways villages are seeking to encourage biodiversity and to support nature. A brief summary of the new proposals is provided below, but full information will be sent out to villages on receipt of entries.

Prizes

We have increased the total prize money this year by 25% to continue to provide an overall first prize of £400, and a further £100 prize for the best new entrant, as well as two further prizes of well grown saplings to reward two villages judged to have made a particular effort to encourage nature and bio diversity. These will be supplied at the appropriate time for planting.

The Competition Structure

The Village and nature

There are all the usual aspects of the competition, but in addition judges will be looking also, at the efforts the community is making to encourage biodiversity. You are welcome to direct the judges' attention to projects or spaces which provide wild environments, natural flora, and encourage animal and bird life. This may include simply allowing parts of the verges and hedgerows to remain wild, planting wildflowers or providing wood piles or pathways to encourage small mammals such as hedgehogs. From our previous experience, we know many villages have already been engaged with this, both in public spaces and private gardens.

Community Involvement and Access. Judges have been impressed by the diverse effort villages of all sizes have made to encourage involvement in projects like community gardens and orchards, and the efforts to improve access for all. This will continue to be a feature

An incentive to enter.

We are also providing an extra prize of £100 to the best village which has entered for the first time, or for the first time since 2019, unless of course that village wins the first prize.

Involvement in the Judging

To help our judges we wish to enable you to highlight the actions you as a village have taken this year to respond to the new guidelines regarding biodiversity, and the encouragement of nature and wildlife. If you



would like to do so we invite you to provide judges with a brief overview of your entry or special features. These may be sent to the organiser's E-address, joshuddleston@gmail.com prior to 25th June.24 Please be brief and include the contact for the correspondent.

Feed back

We understand that villages would like feedback after the competition to guide their next year's entry. Although as a small club, we are not able to provide individual feedback to each village, this year, we will provide a general un-named summary of shared aspects from all villages that judges merited, and those features that detracted from the scores. We appreciate your understanding in this.

The Programme and Entry details

February	Entries sent out

March · No specific entry form is required but please submit your wish to enter by the

31st of March 2024 by email to joshuddleston@gmail,com

With your entry please confirm your village name, and the address for correspondence, if

different to the one used with this invitation.

• The Club will send out the Judge's advice to villages when they submit their entry.

June Reminder to Villages of Judging

Judges will contact the person nominated to provide village information

in late June or early July.

July Judging will take place in the first two weeks of July.

August The winners in the categories will be informed and presentations arranged

A general feedback, to all participants will be sent.

The villages of Richmondshire are beautiful, and we appreciate how much effort goes into encouraging everyone to take part in, and contribute to this event by preparing the communal areas and buildings, individual gardens and business premises. Please accept our thanks for considering this and we look forward to your participation. I take this opportunity to thank members of the Richmond Rotary Club for their effort in maintaining this competition.

Every good wish,

Jos Huddleston

Richmond Rotary Club



NY Wellbeing Strategy

Dear Clerks, Chairs and Councillors,

We have been asked to circulate this information to our North Yorkshire members. The consultation is open and closes on 31 March 2024.

North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing Board has written a new joint local health and wellbeing strategy for the county, which sets out the proposed priorities for action, and ideas for working together to achieve them. The aim of the joint local health and wellbeing strategy is to improve people's health and reduce health inequalities.

The Board is taking the draft strategy out for public consultation until 31st March 2024. There are several ways to take part, including a survey (with easy read version), on-line events and informal drop-in events at local libraries. The strategy documents, the survey and event details are available on the council's consultation web page, and paper copies will be available from libraries: www.northyorks.gov.uk/WellbeingStrategyConsultation

The One Thing community conversations

North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing Board is very interested in hearing from a wide range of communities in North Yorkshire, including those who are sometimes called 'seldom-heard' or 'marginalised', to find out what matters most to them. However, the Board knows that reading a strategy document and filling in a survey isn't for everyone, and they are therefore hoping that local community-based organisations such as local councils could assist them with a more informal approach.

If you have events, community groups, coffee mornings, etc, already planned during the consultation period, would you be able to fit in a short conversation about health and wellbeing, and about 'The One Thing' people would like to see happen to improve health and wellbeing for them, their community and where they live? To help with the conversations, the North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing Board has attached a brief facilitator guide and a pro-forma to capture feedback.

Thank you for your assistance with the consultation and for helping the Board find out what matters about health and wellbeing for our communities. If you have any questions, please contact North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing Board at- HASConsultation@northyorks.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Ruth Batterley

Team Support & Member Liaison Officer

Let's Talk Food - 05.02.24 to 01.04.24

Please help North Yorkshire Council by encouraging your communities, service users, audiences, networks, partners, friends and families to take part in our survey about two specific topics - their experiences of accessing healthy food and food waste.

We want people living and working here to have a say on the future of food in North Yorkshire - by filingl in the survey at https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/LetsTalk



This kit is designed to help you share information about the survey on your channels and with your audiences, between 5 February and 1 April.

North Yorkshire Council is continuing our biggest countywide conversation, Let's Talk, to understand how residents are feeling about a range of topics, and to gather intelligence to inform decision making and policies.

NYC Cost of living

Worried about the cost of living?

If you're struggling to pay for food and other essentials, there are local schemes and organisations in North Yorkshire which may be able to help or point you in the right direction. You'll find information about emergency financial support, managing debt, benefit entitlement, energy bills and staying connected all in one place at www.northyorks.gov.uk/costofliving

North Yorkshire Council's cost of living web page also has information about pension credit, schemes to help families and local community-based support including Warm Welcome spaces as well as advice on staying safe and well.

If you're less confident with technology and have friends or family who might be able to help you understand what support is available with the cost of living, please ask them to look at the web page with you. You can also go into any North Yorkshire library or North Yorkshire Council office. If you're not sure who to turn to, you can call North Yorkshire Council's customer service centre on 0300 131 2 131 Monday to Friday from 9:30am to 4:30pm asking for 'cost of living help' when prompted.

NYC School Travel Consultation

Write to advise you that the Council has commenced a consultation on proposed changes to the Council's Home to School Travel Policy.

The necessary information can be found here on the Council's website: https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/your-council/consultations-and-engagement/current-consultations/home-school-travel-policy-consultation, together with an online survey form for your responses to the consultation and details of engagement events that will be held during the course of the consultation period.

The consultation closing date is Friday 12 April.

Regards
Amanda Newbold
Assistant Director, Education and Skills



Payment Schedule

Payments made since last meeting

Date		Type	Description	Amount
	29-Jan-24	SO	MRS CE SMITH REDMIRE PC HWA	-26
	27-Jan-24	ВР	Charlotte Smith Redmire PC Salary	-162.05
	26-Jan-24	BP	Vision ICT Ltd 17664	-161.26
	25-Jan-24	DD	HMRC SDDS	-151.8
	15-Jan-24	CHG	TOTAL CHARGES TO 24DEC2023	-8

Items for payment

Vision ICT - Training invoice 17878 £30.00

Yorkshire Tree Specialists - Tree removal Hargill Invoice 0463 £380.00

Salary February & HWA

SLCC Subscription contribution

