YAPHAM CUM MELTONBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of meeting of Yapham Cum Meltonby held January 10th 2012 in Yapham Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present. Cllr Linda Gray, Cllr Richard O’Gram, Cllr Debbie England, Cllr Helen Steele, Cllr John Ackerley

Public Time.

01/12 Cllr Gray welcomed the new clerk to the meeting saying how much everyone was looking forward to working with him and drawing from his experience

02/12 To declare any declarations of interest by any Parish Councillor regarding any item on the agenda.

Cllr John Ackerley declared an interest in the Village Hall grant application in accounts

03/12 To confirm the minutes of the meeting dated 22/11/11

Minutes approved and signed

04/12 Matters arising from the previous meeting.

a/ Leak outside the Village Hall has been resolved and found that it was nothing to do with either any of the residential properties opposite or the Village Hall.

b/ Dyke outside the Village Hall seems to be ok at the moment but needs to be monitored.

c/ Planning, Cllr Ackerley had read the Local Development Framework Consultation Paper and had filled in and sent of the attached form with the Councils comments.

d/ Highways and Footpaths

A letter from Mr Mike Atkin read out at the meeting regarding the 30mph signage at Meltonby.. No action has been taken by the ERYC regarding these signs and the Clerk was asked to write to the ERYC and press them for both a reply and action on this as a matter of some urgency.

05/12 Accounts .

Village hall rental £60, St Martins Church Yapham £120 for Grass cutting, Zurich Insurance £225

Village Hall have asked for a grant towards the buying of new chairs costing approx £3,000

Clerk to inquire and discuss the possibility of the Parish Council buying the chairs and then donating them to the Village Hall. The Parish Council could then reclaim the VAT . This would save the financial burden being placed on the Parishioners of the Parish through the precept.

06/12 Parish Council Website.

Cllr England was thanked for updating the website and Cllrs were pleased that people were visiting the site and making contact with both the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council through it.

Cllr England said that she was struggling for time to update the site and hoped the Clerk might take it on as part of his duties. Clerk agreed to this, Cllr England to pass on passwords and login details to him ASAP

07/12 Telephone Box

This has been discussed before but decided not to go ahead with buying the box due to maintenance issues. Three parishioners have now volunteered to look after and maintain the box. The Clerk has been instructed to re visit the file and look at the possibility of buy the box again. Some suggestions were talked about the use of the box, ideas were a tourist information booth, as a notice board or as a book library. Decided that once it was found out if the box is still for sale. Suggestions would be asked for possible uses via the web site.

08/12 Feoffee Lane

Councillors still receiving complaints about the lane being unsuitable for the school double Decker. Problem arising if met by on coming traffic. Clerk to enquire if there is a reason this route is used and to see if the bus could be re directed on to the A1079. Clerk to write to both Woldgate School and the ERYC School Transport Department

09/12 Correspondence

1/ Gravel pit Allotments chair wrote asking for a copy of the planning decision and the Transportation of soil document, these are needed for their Lottery Grant Application. Clerk to go through file and see if Council has copies then forward them on.

2/ Invite from ERNLLCA to submit a representative from the Parish Council to possibly attending the Queens Garden Party in May at Buckingham Palace. Cllr Grey declined the offer and Cllr ..................... was nominated.

3/ ERYC Chairmans Awards, was decided that the council never seem to get these in time for meetings. Proposed that Clerk keep them on record and the item to be placed on the Agenda for Novembers meeting.

4/ Cllr Ackerley had correspondence from a Parishioner at Yapham Mill and the ERYC regarding the re siting of a grit bin and the filling of the bin.. After a survey which was carried out by the ERYC they have said that the site is suitable. They are now replacing the Grit bin and will be responsible for the filling of it.

10/12 Councillor Reports

1/ Asked what the procedure was for nominating people for awards in the Queens Honour list. Clerk to look into it and report back.

2/ Solar Panels are you required to apply for planning permission. Clerk to enquire and report back.

3/Clerk asked if happy with terms and conditions of employment. He is and will bring the basic contract of employment that ERNLLCA issue to next meeting.

4/ Feofee common lane development and Feofee Lane developments both have been reported to the planning office for building without permission. Council is concerned that the ERYC are not taking this matter seriously enough and not keeping the Council informed on what is going on. Clerk to chase up and find out.

11/12 Date , Time and venue of next meeting.

15th March 2012 at the Village Hall Yapham.

Meeting was closed at 8.50pm