

Oswaldkirk Parish Meeting

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 18th November 2008

PRESENT: 30

APOLOGIES

Beryl Lee, Eric Dunstone, Ian and Pauline Henley, Mr and Mrs Oakley, John Wilkinson,

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

The Minutes of the last meeting were noted as being a correct record.

PRESENTATION ON THE PROPOSED SPEED LIMITS AND TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES

Mr Richard Marr from North Yorkshire County Council Highways Department presented the proposed speed limits and traffic calming measures to the Meeting. He highlighted that there would be rumble strips to the south of the Village on the Gilling Road, on the Bank and on the West side of the Village. These rumble strips would be accompanied by a large red panel with a speed limit sign. Mr Marr highlighted that some of this work had started, however would not be completed until the speed limits and associated traffic calming had been finalised and agreed. As regards speed limits it was hoped that there would be a 30 mph limit through out the whole village. It was also hoped that there would be some form of restriction near the playground that would slow traffic down. There would also be 30 mph repeater signs throughout the Village.

Mr Marr outlined that the timetable would be that the final plans would go out for public consultation by the end of the week, there would then be approximately 3-4 weeks consultation, if there were objections then it would then progress to the next area committee which is on 20-1-09. It was hoped, however that there would not be any substantive objections and that the order could be in place early in the new year with all the work done by February 2009. Mr Marr highlighted that once in place, they would monitor whether it was working, i.e. it was achieving an appropriate reduction in speed.

Following the presentation there was a discussion – key issues raised were:

Mr Marr informed the Meeting that the rumble strips were for visual impact rather than being tactical. This was due to concerns regarding vibration damage to nearby properties.

Several residents highlighted that there was a need for a speed limit along the B1257, Mr Marr informed the Meeting that a 30 mph speed limit, or similar, would not be in line with current guidelines, however he noted that Central Government had requested that local authorities check all speed limits for their appropriateness. Therefore the

appropriateness of the speed limit along the B1257 would be checked in the near future.

There was a concern regarding the junction of the B1363 and the B1257 and in particular when turning right from the B1257 on the B1363. Mr Marr said he would check that the signage was appropriate.

It was also highlighted that the school bus stops near the junction of the B1257 and B1363 and it would be useful if there could be a sign warning traffic – Mr Marr said he would investigate this.

There was concern that cars coming down the Bank are not aware of The Terrace, the possibility of a sign indicating this was discussed. (POST MEETING NOTE – There is a sign that indicates the presence of The Terrace, however there is foliage obscuring it.)

It was noted that the 30 mph repeater signs would be in galvanised metal; NYCC would not paint or treat them.

Mr Marr informed the Meeting that NYCC could not put up a mirror to aid exiting The Terrace, however we would forward on details of contractors who could supply an appropriate mirror.

The Meeting thanked Mr Marr for attending.

CALOR VILLAGE OF THE YEAR.

The Chairman gave an update on the work being done for the next round – document is being pulled together and is due to be sent off to Calor by the end of the month. The Meeting was informed that the Judges will visit the village in March/April 2009. It was agreed that, subject to permission from the Village Hall Committee, that the awards should be mounted in the Porch.

APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF REAR DORMER AND CREATION OF SLOPING DRIVEWAY ACCESS AT NUN BANK (APPLICATION NO NYM/2008/0766/FL)

The Chairman introduced the application by outlining that the application was to construct a dormer at the rear of Nun Bank and add a sloping drive. The Applicant presented some 'before and after' pictures of the house which indicated that the proposed development would increase the height of the roof slightly, whilst the construction would not be particularly noticeable from the road. After a brief discussion, the Meeting voted unanimously in favour of the development.

POST MEETING NOTE: This application has been refused.

ERECTION OF AGRICULTURAL BUILDING FOR HOUSING OF CATTLE AND COVERED STORAGE (RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION) AT BIRCH FARM 08/00984/MFUL

The Chairman introduced the proposal stating that this was for retrospective planning permission. He outlined that the development basically consisted of roofing over existing stock yards, slurry pits and silage clamps. It was highlighted that this to prevent further pollution of nearby streams. There was a brief discussion and the main points were:

There was a general feeling that it was a shame that the correct planning procedures had not been followed and that the development had already gone ahead.

There was hope that the proposed development would stop pollution of nearby streams.

There was concern regarding the overall size of the barns as well as the number of barns.

It was highlighted that the Applicant should ensure that the all the barns are sufficiently screened from Oswaldkirk.

It was agreed that the Chairman would write to Ryedale District Council outlining the above points.

ERECTION OF BLOCK OF 3 NO STABLES AND BARN TO REPLACE EXISTING STABLES AND BARN TOGETHER WITH ASSOCIATED HARD SURFACING AT THE OLD RECTORY (APPLICATION No 08/01005/FUL)

The Chairman introduced the application highlighting that the proposed develop was to replace existing barns south of the Old Rectory. The overall footprint and height of the proposed development would be less than the existing barns. There was a brief discussion and the Meeting voted in favour of the application, with one abstention.

POST MEETING NOTE: This application has been approved.

APPLICATION FOR USE OF CAMPING FIELD WITHIN EXISTING CARAVAN PARK FOR SITING OF HOLIDAY STATIC CARAVANS (NO NUMBERS SPECIFIED) AT GOLDEN SQUARE FARM, OSWALDKIRK (APPLICATION No NYM/2008/0731)

The Chairman introduced the application outlining that the application was to turn an area from a camp site in to an area for static caravans. The number of caravans was unspecified; however the area was not visible from the road. There was a brief discussion and the Meeting voted in favour of the application.

POST MEETING NOTE: This application has been approved.

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North Yorks Moors National Park Authority Article 4 – The Chairman informed the Meeting that the National Park Authority was working on Article 4 and it would be unlikely to be complete before June 2009.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 9.30 pm.