

## **Oswaldkirk Parish Meeting**

### **Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008**

**PRESENT:** 35

#### **APOLOGIES**

Sandy and Philippa McKenzie Smith, Eric Dunstone, Beryl Lee, Ian and Pauline Henley, Gaynor Badhams, Peter And Gill Stone, Sarah Craig, Matthew and Anna Gibb, Jane and Simon Conacher, Helen Goodman, Andy Watt and Andy Neighbour.

#### **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

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

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

Buses – following discussion at the last meeting, it has been agreed to include a condensed timetable in Meeting Point.

Malt Shovel – due to a change in Landlord, it was decided not to write to Sam Smiths.

#### **SPEED LIMITS AND TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES**

The Meeting was informed that there had been several meetings involving Mr Richard Marr of North Yorkshire County Council Highways Department, Roger Dexter-Smith and Mark Clook. At the last meeting various details were discussed, including starting the speed limit alongside the playground as well as having some form of traffic calming measure on the B1363 as well on the Ampleforth to Oswaldkirk road. At this meeting Mr Marr stated that the plans would have to go to public consultation and it was agreed that it would be appropriate to present the plans to the village at the Parish Meeting. This Parish Meeting had therefore been arranged in order to present the proposals to the Village; unfortunately Mr Marr did not attend. It was agreed that the Chairman would pursue the matter further with Mr Marr.

In Mr Marr's absence several suggestions and comments were made regarding the speed limit and traffic calming measures, namely:

A 30 mph speed limit was wanted throughout the village, i.e. including the B1257. It was highlighted that this would bring Oswaldkirk in line with other villages on the B1257.

The speed limit on the B1363 should start at the entrance of the village, i.e. south of the last house and not in line with the playground.

It was highlighted that there was a pressing need for the speed limit on the B1363 due to the lack of a footpath up the bank. It was requested that the installation of a footpath be investigated.

Due to the non-attendance of Mr Marr, the Meeting proposed that a letter should be sent to NYCC copied to our County Councillor expressing the Meeting's disappointment at the 'no show' of Mr Marr. The letter should also highlight the Village's frustration regarding the length of time this issue has taken.

### **CALOR VILLAGE OF THE YEAR**

The Chairman informed the Meeting that Oswaldkirk had won the 'people' category of the Calor of the Year Competition as well as the overall winner for the Yorkshire region and the Yorkshire Rural Community Council Village of the Year. In addition to the certificates we had also won a total of £450 in prize money (£150 for the 'people category and £300 for the overall winner). It was proposed that this money should remain in the Parish Bank account and be used if there was any work required for the next phase of the Competition. As regards the awards themselves, it was proposed that they should be displayed in the Village Hall with the 'railway' style award being placed on the wall of the Red House.

As regards the next phase, the Chairman informed the Meeting that there were four categories – business, community/people, communications and environment/sustainability. These were being progress via the use of small sub-groups with the contact points being:

Business – Andy Watt  
Community/people – Lynn Reed  
Communications – Ian Henley/Michael Fram  
Environment/Sustainability – Rhona Sutherland

The Chairman informed the Meeting of the forthcoming meetings:

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> at 1430 there will be an open meeting where the team leaders will outline their proposals to two of the first round judges. It is hoped that this will provide feedback and advice on how to handle the next round

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> at 1030 until 1200 and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> at 1900 and 2000 – there will be an open meeting for anyone to come in and comment / see what is going on.

It was highlighted that there would be various articles in the local press regarding the award, e.g. the Malton Gazette and Herald, over the next few weeks.

## **AoB**

Cricket Match – the Chair thanked the Playground Group for organising the third Village Cricket Match.

Village Walk – the Chair thanked all those who had organised and taken part in Village Walks over the year and highlighted that he would be looking for volunteers for next year. He also highlighted the Christmas Walk arranged by Philip Entwistle (further details from Philip!)

Bus Stop – it was noted that the school bus was stopping in a dangerous place opposite St Oswald's Orchard, it was proposed and agreed that the Chair should write to the Bus Company to ask if it would pull up outside St Aidan's. The Meeting was informed that if anyone had any problems regarding local bus services to contact Mr Ian Preston of NYCC at Northallerton.

Malt Shovel – the Meeting was informed that the Malt Shovel were happy for users of the Village Hall to use to the lower car park and hence prevent congestion along the Main Street. It was also noted that they were content for people to continue to use the bottle and paper recycling facilities and for further facilities, i.e. cardboard and plastic, to be sited there as well.

Aluminium foil and printer cartridges – the Meeting was informed that David Lee collects aluminium foil and printer cartridges (not HP ones) for recycling.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm