

when specific areas come up that are relevant to initial constitution, aims and objectives. Concerns have been raised by villagers as to why such a large donation was made to Church Bells fund by PC if they now need to put up precept to be able to pay for lights etc. And although Heritage funding took donation into account it is possible that more funding could have been gained to save the PC its money which could then have put towards lighting?! Agreed we do not require another meeting until September but that at that meeting we need to take on board how LoPRA works in future and potential changes that will need to take effect for agreed way forward and potential constitutional changes. General feeling was that we need to keep LoPRA in place to ensure that we can challenge development, etc as necessary.



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## MINUTES

Thursday 10 July 2008  
In the Residents Lounge at the Maypole Inn 7.30pm

Present: JM (chairing), RC, GD, GJ, HT-S, AW  
Apologies: KG, JH

1. **Minutes (May)** - agreed
2. **Matters arising** – correction to minutes: state that money raised at TRAMPS goes directly to Oral History Project therefore to be handed to Ian Evans NOT Chris Wilcock. Heather sent copies of Mrs Marley's emails re Gallaber to KMc.
3. **Correspondence** – YDNP SCI submission version received, comments to be sent to Peter Stockton by 15<sup>th</sup> August, JM to undertake if necessary as HTS away. JM received copy and to pass round.
4. **Membership** – no change to membership
5. **Todd Stiles** – issue with cyclists on path. Important that the stiles not actually changed as have a lot of history but if wider path put round to side by gate view better (as new high wall makes corner completely blind) and makes accessible for prams will ensure that cyclists and pedestrians can see each other so unless cyclists can be prevented from using path best option – Parish Council discussing with YDNP and Mearbeck Estate who own the land. GJ to ask Nick Thwaite what stage this is at.
6. **Roads resurfacing, drains, sewers** – HTS to speak to Nick Thwaite (and query whether he would be happy for LoPRA to write a letter of complaint to NYCC) about appalling state of shoddy work undertaken in resurfacing School Lane and Greengates Lane/The Edge where potholes were not filled in before resurfacing and no notice given so resurfaced around parked cars. Also gravel sprayed on bitumen but not rolled in so loose and some of surface washed down into drains but also talk that all this work will be undone anyway as more work is going to be undertaken on the drainage/sewerage of Greengates Lane. Furthermore people and animals have been injured where the bitumen and loose gravel have caused people to slip and been badly grazed or has stuck to shoes (or paws!) – also major sump leak of oil on school lane from vehicle connected with resurfacing. There are potentially several issues likely to arise where sewerage may be going directly into the beck. JM to find out more about drainage/sewerage issues.
7. **Youth Issues** – there have been a lot of issues in village, including damage, playing chicken on the A65, loitering and breaking bottles on playing fields, etc undertaken by a few youths and the PC have spoken to the Police and a number was given via the Parish Magazine to contact the Police if any trouble is seen. Maybe should suggest to PC that the chance is given to the youths to create their own social 'space' for which they should take some responsibility (ie ask PC to follow up on village plan) and receive some help (funding?) to do – ultimatum is that those that continue to cause trouble will be reported to Police as necessary.
8. **Renewing contacts** – not required at present although need to ensure we keep up-to-date with changes to CDC and YDNP hierarchy.
9. **AOB** – as 'quiet' at present need to ask members at next AGM if we should use our resources to work with other groups, in particular the PC, and suggest that LoPRA offers & therefore GIVES their help OR goes into 'hibernation' (in which case decide on a minimum no meetings/year and areas that need to continue with, ie LDF, on continuous basis) except