



Committee Meeting 11th May 2006

Minutes

Present:	Keith Grimshaw)	(KG)	Chair
	Andrew Walkden	(AW)	Treasurer
	Bob Cater	(BC)	
	Gavin Dewar	(GD)	
	John Finnigan	(JF)	
	Gillian Jones	(GJ)	
	John R Mathew	(JRM)	
	John P Rodgers	(JPR)	

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- 1. Apologies** Heather Thomas-Smith, John P Rodgers, Cllr Helen Firth
 - 2. Minutes/ Matters Arising**

It was agreed that all matters arising from the previous month's minutes were covered as separate items on the agenda.
 - 3. Correspondence**

5 items were discussed:

 - New rural legislation that would provide increased control over Green Lanes
 - Letter from member John Clarke re the future of a field in his ownership; agreed KG would discuss directly with JC.
 - Issues re the encroachment of the Gallaber caravan park and associated problems for the owner (Mrs JMW Marley) at Bendgate House. CDC had agreed that the position on the ground did not conform with the planning approval, as the area which should have had a bund and embankment next to bendgate House had been laid out with a road for additional caravans. Agreed that KG would write to CDC objecting to the unauthorised changes.
 - David Butterworth (CE of YDNP) had written re the issues at Townhead and had emphasised the need to protect the village boundary and to resist attempts to breach the boundary.
 - HTS had received a copy of a letter to CPRE re pressures for infill development in villages in Yorkshire. It was agreed to leave this in abeyance until HTS's return.

4. Parish Council

Hilary Baker's nomination for Parish Councillor had been lost by CDC. However, she is to be co-opted onto the Council. LPPC issues that were discussed were:

- need for information on Listed Buildings in Long Preston. This had been prompted by a query whether the Old School House was Listed. (apparently not). KG to request info from YDNP.
- problems re dog fouling. There is to be a school competition for a poster design. This will be the basis of a joint campaign between LoPRA and LPPC. Book tokens will be offered as prizes. JF will discuss with Chris Moorby and the Dog Warden (It is hoped that the Dog Warden may be able to give a talk to the children). JF will also prepare a brief for the poster design.

5. Gallaber Caravan Park

This item had been covered under item 3.

6. West End Development

The wall has been taken down but there is no replacement for it yet. A drive is in the course of construction using paviers.

7. May Day Celebrations/LoPRA Stand

GD reported that £53.04 had been collected from the raffle. The monies were to be split equally 3 ways; May Day Committee, Playing Fields and Village Hall. GD considered the stand could be improved next year by making it more interactive. KG thanked GD for all the work he had put into the stand and asked for the Committee's appreciation to be formally recorded.

8. Membership Review

AW reported that there are presently 118 members. 5 lapsed members re-joined after prompting. It was agreed that at the AGM in September there would be a proposal to have household membership of £5. Although there would be concessions, the fee would relate to the status of the main householder.

9. TRAMPS filmshow

The outstanding issue to be sorted is the need for blackout curtains. It will cost £700 to re-line and make fire resistant the existing curtains. GD to contact Stewart Robertshaw to find out the Village Hall committee's plans.

10. Next Newsletter

It was agreed that the next one would be a lighter and shorter version to be distributed in mid-June. The following articles would be prepared:

- Listed Buildings (JM)
- Dog Fouling (JF)
- Tramps (GD)
- TPO's (RC)
- TRO's (AW)
- May Day stand (GD)
- A65 Update (GJ)

All articles to be sent to HTS by end May.

11. Listing of Old Schoolhouse

This item had been covered under item 3.

12. Footpath Long Preston to Settle

KG commented that about 50 years ago there had been a low level route from Townhead via the Riddings to Settle. Although the definitive route only begins at the entrance drive to the Riddings at the A65 it was considered that one from Townhead would be desirable. Perhaps this could be considered as a permissive route. There was a general discussion re the desirability of "Promoting Long Preston" with interpretation boards indicating walks/facilities which could be sited at the station and the village green. KG to talk to the LPPC Chair.

13. A65 Update

In the light of the recent cabinet changes, a decision in July on the By-pass Revocation Orders may be less likely. It was agreed that info recently received from Transport 2000 re the Safer Streets campaign should be placed on the website.

Items 14, 15 and 16

These items had been covered under item 3

17. AOB

None

18. Date of next meetings

8 June 2006 (RC gave his apologies)

13 July 2006