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## Minutes

### Thursday 14 December 2006

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Keith Grimshaw</b>	<b>Chairman</b>	<b>(KG)</b>
	<b>John Mathew</b>	<b>Vice-chair</b>	<b>(JM)</b>
	<b>Heather Thomas-Smith</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>(HTS)</b>
	<b>Bob Cater</b>		<b>(BC)</b>
	<b>Gavin Dewar</b>		<b>(GD)</b>
	<b>Jackie Hunt</b>		<b>(JH)</b>
	<b>Gill Jones</b>		<b>(GJ)</b>
	<b>Keith McBride</b>		<b>(KM)</b>

1. Apologies: Elizabeth Gray, Andrew Walkden
2. Minutes of previous meeting: to be deferred to January
3. Matters arising: as 2
4. Correspondence: Letter from Daniel Child to Bob Cater re Old School near St Mary's regarding the listing of the building. Daniel felt it would be good idea but need to apply via English Heritage. This item was brought up at December's Parish Council meeting and the PC are taking this forward. There is a requirement for photographs both inside and out and Chris Moorby can supply photographs of the outside, however it may be that EH will have power to ask for internal photographs/internal inspection if necessary.
5. Membership review: There are approximately five new members and HTS still has a membership form to hand over to AW.
6. Newsletter and Public Meeting: All articles are in and GD to undertake layout. Originally were going to deliver

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before Christmas but all have agreed to defer as with so much information in this issue for each household could potentially be wasted when so much already on at Christmas – ie residents may not have time to really look at it. Agreed to have ready for printing in January and GD to ask Jean Rodgers if can copy/collate for 324 households. BC also suggested checking price of printer used for Parish Magazine and GD said would contact although added that extra the income from printing is quite good for the school at which Jean works if they can undertake quantity of printing required this issue. Agreed that the next Public Meeting should follow both the newsletter and the next TRAMPS film show, date TBC being 25<sup>th</sup>. HTS to check availability of Village Hall with Stewart Robertshaw. Also asked KM to speak to Parish Council with suggestion that this is a joint public meeting for residents to discuss issues affecting revocation of A65 bypass orders, the future of the A65 and affordable housing.

7. TRAMPS: The 1<sup>st</sup> TRAMPS film show made a profit of £27, which was donated to the Village Hall fund (initial cost was £147 for licence and hire fees). Julie of the PO also waived charges for the cost of refreshments sold. A TRAMPS projectionist will be available for the next film show in January – The March of the Penguins – but thereafter we [LoPRA] will take over (which could potentially allow for matinees and one hire charge from TRAMPS/day for equipment – GD to check at a later date). Possible problem for more popular shows is the lack of chairs – currently only 50 in hall. GD to check with Methodist Church and ask they if have any more we could borrow as actually allowed up to 100 persons under fire regulations. BC, JM, KG and HTS available to help GD at next show (anyone else?). Need to check if AW has paid £50 towards blackout curtains for Village Hall yet as these are due to arrive early in NY. GD to add form to newsletter for parent's of LP children to fill in and request £1 vouchers (1 per LP child) for the next film showing, courtesy of Francis Leeming and

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those that helped her raise money at a coffee morning for LP's Youth.

8. Affordable Housing: GJ has prepared two papers on Affordable Housing (see separately), which have been sent to LoPRA and the Parish Council for their attention and perusal in preparation for a response to CDC's affordable housing strategy with a response deadline on 221206. The PC have agreed to draft a letter to CDC incorporating the comments in Gill's papers and it was agreed by LoPRA tonight to endorse Gill's papers as a response to CDC, which GJ will send. The two documents looked at affordable housing under the commercial sector and Craven Housing. It was noted that the latter had only built three affordable houses since taking on the responsibility of social housing from CDC despite there being a remit to build 20 affordable houses per annum. Interestingly CDC has already been party to discussions with YDNP regarding a commercial model – similar to that put forward by GJ (see relevant paper) – being developed by Darlington Building Society with the northern sector of the YDNP. GJ has had discussions with Skipton Building Society and Peter Allison of the YDNP regarding the commercial model and hopes to be meeting with SBS again shortly.
9. A65: There was some discussion re the A65 road resurfacing, footpath problems, new kerbs and drains. With respect to the decision by the government to revoke the bypass orders it was agreed that there would be no mileage in making an appeal. However, an objection could be made if the Government propose to detrunk the A65; a decision is expected in near future. In the meantime it would be important to assess the NYCC 10 year plan – which does not have anything in for Long Preston as the A65 is still under the HA – and to undertake further traffic/route surveys. To help undertake preliminary research/design analysis, etc it was suggested that we seek Helen Firth's advice. It was agreed that LoPRA and the

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PC need to work together with respect to a Long Term plan for the A65 through Long Preston and start talks with persons such as Elwyn Williams and David Curry in anticipation of a NYCC takeover of the road. It was also agreed that it is very important that those living in the Parish are given an opportunity to say what they want to happen with the A65 issues – through a Public Meeting/survey - and then use that as a basis from which to work. Other points relating to the A65 included a brief discussion re the proposed Pegasus crossing for the Pennine Bridleway at West End and the Traffic Island at Magna Print.

10. Any other business:

- Keith to contact the Land registry to find out who has bought the land behind Jubilee Croft – thought to have been sold in excess of £50K.
- Jackie to put up new and replacement dog poo-sters where they have blown away.
- Gill brought up the issue of the village PO for sale and there was concern shown regarding its future. It was agreed that this is an issue we will have to watch closely and John Mathew agreed to investigate matters relating to the PO.
- It was mentioned that the recycling bins by the Maypole are an eyesore and that it was CDC's responsibility to keep them clear. Robert Cater suggested that we have the topic of 'beautifying our village' at a future meeting.

11. Date of next meeting: 11 January 2007

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