

STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2002 IN STAINFORTH VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM.

Present: Cllrs Beattie (Chairman), Longton, Maudsley, Warren, Macdonald, the Clerk and two parishioners.

1. Apologies for Absence: None.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 4 December were read, approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising

OS Map of Stainforth, centred and customised: Cllr Maudsley reported that a photocopy of the area was required. He would arrange this. The Chairman requested an estimate of the cost of a bulk order.

Visitor parking on road alongside The Hollies and Hollies Cottages: It was agreed to invite the Traffic Advisory Officer (YDNPA) to meet the council before the next council meeting on 5 March 2002 to discuss the problem.

Green Lanes: Ban on 4x4 vehicles: Report of the meeting still pending but the Chairman felt that information from the Park Authority indicated a willingness to work towards a ban.

Registration of Village Greens, Knight Stainforth: Following the meeting held in Knight Stainforth on 5 January, the Clerk had produced a report.

Summary: "The meeting was in agreement that application be made to register the central area, crossed by roads, which comprises the wide verge, the fenced area, the litter bin area and the area in front of Knights Farm, and also the area on the northern edge of the village, on the right hand side of the road, known as the "rhubarb patch." "

The meeting was suspended at 7.20 pm.

4. Public Participation

Expenses incurred by the visit of HRH The Prince of Wales in December: Those present discussed a letter from the Parish Council of Horton-in-Ribblesdale to a Stainforth parishioner involved in the visit, suggesting a contribution of £5.00- £10.00 for the loan of the bunting. Also discussed was the question of which body might be liable for the expenditure incurred by the provision and use of lights. It was agreed that the parishioner must be reimbursed, but further discussion of this, and of the contribution for the bunting, will be put onto the agenda for the next council meeting on 5 March 2002. Cllr. Warren observed that there would also need to be a contribution towards the electricity bill of £1.10 per night, for the lights.

Parish Magazine: A parishioner reported that there had been no discussion At Stainforth PCC meeting of Langcliffe's suggestion that the parish magazine be developed and distributed to every home.

Street lights: Those present discussed the fact that the light on Main Rd. behind the trees, and the one at Nook House Farm, have been out for some months, while the ones at Brookhouse Croft and at The Old Reading Room, for which the wiring has been put in place, have not yet been installed. There was dissatisfaction with the service provided by the electrician.

Verge near the stock: A parishioner who claimed that his tyre had been damaged by a stone placed on the verge near the stock, was informed by the Chairman that the matter should be referred to the History Group.

Obstructions to pedestrians: Those present discussed the obstructions caused by parked cars and overgrown ivy on the footpath along the wall of Holly House.

United Utilities Way-Leave payment: A parishioner presented to the council a cheque for £3.45p. Since the undergrounding of the cables, the electricity pole for which this was payment is now redundant.

The meeting was re-opened at 7.50 pm.

5. Appointment of Parish Clerk:

Jean Asher has been appointed Clerk, to succeed Chrissie Harte, as from 01/02/02. There will be discussion of the Clerk's salary and contract at the next council meeting. Details of salary scales and a model contract will be circulated to councillors with the correspondence following this meeting.

6. Planning Application:

Cllr. Maudsley registered an interest, and after explaining briefly some of the detail of the application, withdrew from the discussion.

There were no objections to Planning Application no. C/64/8D. Location of Development – Knight Stainforth Caravan Park.

7. Foot and Mouth Disease:

Two footpaths in Stainforth remain closed, the one to Sannat Bottoms, because cleaning is not yet completed, and one to Winskill, because the land has sentinel sheep on it. It was agreed, however, that FMD could be removed from the Parish Council Agenda.

8. Repairs and Maintenance:

Street lights: The unsatisfactory state of the street lights was raised and Item 13 (i) on the agenda (payment to J&J Barker, Electrician) was brought forward. It was agreed that the bill would be paid, with an accompanying letter listing the work still not done, and expressing the Council's dissatisfaction with the service received. Renewal of the electrician's contract would be discussed at the Council meeting in May.

Stepping Stones: It was agreed that the site meeting with the Environment Agency, postponed because of FMD, would be convened as soon as possible.

Passing Places – Knight Stainforth: Pending.

Water on the road – Knight Stainforth: Pending.

Water on the road – Stockhill: Water is currently pouring from a drain at Lower Croft, as a result of the new kerbing at the stock. The Chairman notified the authority and the engineer has visited the site. Other drains in the village are also blocked and it was agreed that a list and location map would be prepared for the next Council meeting. (5 March 2002)

Road on East Green, Stainforth: Two quotations have now been received. It was agreed that this matter would be left on the agenda.

Allotment wall: It was agreed that the Senior Resident Engineer (Railtrack) would be contacted about repairing the wall.

9. Code of Conduct for Parish Councillors:

Training sessions in the new Code of Conduct and its requirements, have been arranged. All the councillors agreed to attend the session on Tuesday, March 12th, in Settle Town Hall.

10. Yorkshire Dales (YDNPA): First Draft of Local Plan:

This has been received and will be circulated with the correspondence following the meeting.

11. Queen's Golden Jubilee 2002:

A committee to plan and co-ordinate celebrations in the village has been formed: Carole Beattie (Stainforth Parish Council, Chairman); Sandra Warren (Secretary); Chris Maudsley (Knight Stainforth Caravan Site); and representatives from the Village Hall Committee, the History Group, Knight Stainforth, and a family with young children.

12. Picnic Site – possible provision of picnic tables: Pending

13. Accounts:

i) It was agreed to make the following payments:

J&J Barker - £111.15 and TXU Energi- £54.50

ii) It was agreed that the Precept for 2002-3 would remain unchanged at £2,500.

iii) Completion of Bank Mandate: It had been thought that a change to the Bank Mandate was required, but this appears not to be so. HSBC does, however, require a second signature on the notification of change of Clerk and this is in hand.

14. Correspondence:

The following correspondence was noted:

YDNPA: Local Plan- First Deposit.; Draft Design Guide.

YDNPA: Planning permission: development Brookhouse Farm, Stainforth- holding tanks for crayfish rescue.

YDNPA: Agenda; Meeting 29/01/02.

Age Concern North Craven: Leaflet detailing services offered.

Action for Sustainability in North Yorkshire: Newsletter.

Horton-in Ribblesdale Parish Council: correspondence re speeding motorcycles.

Settle-Carlisle Railway Development Company: correspondence re improvement of transport in Settle and area.

CDC: Details of funding programmes.

CDC: Budget Consultation on Proposals for Expenditure 2002-03. Notification of meeting.

CDC: Register of Electors.

CDC: Overhead Helicopter Patrolling: information.

CDC: Parish Council Elections- Recharge of Costs.

CDC: Annual Parish meeting information.

CDC: Craven local Food Directory.

YLCA:Newsletter - White Rose Update.

YLCA: Membership Fees..

YLCA: Notice of Meeting.

DLTR: Document: Strong Local Leadership – Quality Public Services.

Craven Crime Reduction Partnership: Draft Safety Strategy 2002-3.

Settle Tourist Information Centre: Request for donation.

NYPA CaP News.

Craven CaP: information.

NYPA: P.A. News

DETR: Our countryside: the future.

Greensward Direct: catalogue.

NYCC: Environmental services: Your Guide to Winter Services in North Yorkshire.

NYCC: Environmental Services; Urban Highway Grass Cutting.

NYCC: Meeting: Craven Area Committee.

Airedale CHC: Health Action Link News.

Clerks and Councils Direct: Newsletter; Suppliers' Guide.

Craven Voluntary Action; Newsletter.

It was agreed to circulate the correspondence.

15. A.O.B.

Waste paper collection bin in car park. Cllr. Warren reported that the bin had no lid and so paper blew away. He will contact Craven District Council to request a new bin.

Planning Application: Development at Holly House: Notification of this application arrived too late for inclusion on the agenda. It has been deferred until the next meeting (05/03/01)

16. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 5 March 2002 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.55.pm.

STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY MARCH 5th. 2002 IN STAINFORTH VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM.

Present: Councillors Beattie, Longton, Maudsley, Warren, the Clerk and 1 parishioner.

1. Apologies for Absence: Councillor Macdonald.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 05/02/02 were read, approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising

OS map of Stainforth, centred and customised: Pending.

Visitor parking on road alongside the Hollies and Hollies Cottages: The Traffic Advisory Officer, YDNPA, Andy Ryland, had agreed to a site meeting with Councillors to discuss this problem. He referred to a survey of similar situations in other Park villages by Ranger Steve Hastie, with possible solutions, and suggested that he was also invited to attend. It was agreed that this meeting should go ahead. Further discussion raised the issue of the steep charges which it is felt deter use of the car park, and of whether there has been a survey to gauge the effect on revenue if charges are reduced.

Green Lanes: A letter had been received from the newly formed Green Lanes Alliance, giving a report on the current situation and details of membership, individual and group. The Council decided against group membership. A parishioner has written to the Chairman, indicating that he has joined the Alliance and would be happy to report back to the Council, should this be helpful in the future.

Golden Jubilee celebrations: The Chairman reported that a meeting had been held on 04/03/02 and that members of the group had taken away ideas to be developed by their respective organisations. It was proposed to circulate information to all households. As Chairman of the Jubilee Committee, the Chairman would report to the Parish Council in due course.

Picnic site – possible provision of tables: Pending.

YDNPA Local Plan: Discussion pending.

Parish Magazine: The proposal by Langcliffe, for an extended Parish Magazine, was not supported by the council at this time. The Chairman and Clerk will draft a reply.

Obstruction to pedestrians, footpath adjacent to Holly House: The council was pleased to note that the situation had been improved by recent cutting-back of the ivy, but the hope was expressed that more pruning might be possible. Councillor Warren will look into the matter.

The meeting was suspended at 7.25 pm.

4. Public Participation

There was brief discussion of Planning Application No. C/64/83B.

The meeting was re-opened at 7.29pm.

5. Contract of Parish Clerk.

- i) **Salary:** Following advice in the Guidelines, it was decided to adopt the spinal column point (SCP) estimating work at an average of 2 hours per week, and giving a salary of £697.07 per annum, paid quarterly. This was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr. Maudsley and carried unanimously.

- ii) **Contract of employment:** The Chairman and another councillor will present a draft to the next meeting.

6. Consideration of Planning Application No. C/64/83B:

Outline planning permission for erection of one dwellinghouse

Location: Grounds of Holly House, Stainforth.

There was no comment.

7. Repairs and Maintenance:

- 1) **Street lights:** There had been no response to the letter or to the reminder sent by the Clerk to J. and J. Barker (Electrician) concerning the installation and maintenance still outstanding. The Clerk was asked to telephone Mr. Barker to convey the urgency of the situation. It was noted that a check should be made of the electricity account to ensure that there was no overpayment in view of the fact that two lights had been out for some time.
 - 2) **The light at the Church gate:** It was confirmed that this belongs to the Parish Council, which is therefore responsible for its maintenance. Cllr Warren offered to replace bulbs as necessary. It was not known whether there was a limit on the amount available through petty cash for new bulbs.
 - 3) **Stepping Stones:** The Chairman, Cllr. Macdonald and the Clerk had met with Cliff Welsby of the Environment Agency. Neil Handy had also been invited to attend. Mr. Welsby felt that there was no problem currently requiring action. The Environment Agency should be contacted in the event of a problem arising in future. Although work cannot be carried out in the spawning season, Oct. – March, he would advise on what interventions might be in order, should deterioration take place during this time. It was suggested that the surfaces of some of the stones might be scored to reduce slipperiness. The Chairman will consult Mr. R. Chapman, who has done this in the past, and explore the possibility of gritting.
 - 4) **Others:** Following discussion, the Council agreed to request a meeting with Richard Marr, of CDC, to discuss sundry issues. These include: passing places and water on the road in Knight Stainforth; road surfaces generally, and on Dog Hill in particular; verges and No Parking signs on Dog Hill, the Give Way sign at the entrance to the village (about which he has already been notified); drains in Stainforth and at the foot of Goatscar Lane in particular.
 - 5) **Road on E. Green, Stainforth:** The Chairman is to progress this matter, and will also inform the new residents of Bargh Cottage and Underbargh Cottage of the proposal to tarmac the road on the green.
 - 6) **Allotment Wall:** There has been no response from Railtrack concerning the collapse of a section of the wall onto the embankment. It was reported that a section of **the wall of the picnic site**, also belonging to Railtrack, had now collapsed, giving ready access to the track. The matter was considered urgent and the Clerk will contact Railtrack again.
 - 7) **Dog Hill:** Sweeping.
8. **New Code of Conduct, Training for Councillors:** It was confirmed that all councillors would attend the session at Settle Town Hall on March 12th. 2002.
- ## 9. Village Greens.
- 1) Knight Stainforth: The Chairman summarised the discussion of the meeting held on 05/01/02 and recommended that the council apply to register land as per the agreement at that meeting. This was agreed. She also proposed that John Dugdale be asked to remove the fence posts from the piece of land in the centre of the village; that in accordance with a suggestion at the meeting that all the land to be registered be measured. The Chairman and another councillor would measure the plots and check the evidence statements in the original application.

- 2) It was noted that a section of land on the west green, Stainforth, namely that lying between the line of the footpath as marked on the map though no longer evident on the ground, and the wall of Townhead House, was not registered with the other pieces of land in Stainforth.

10. Accounts

It was agreed to make the following payments:

- 1) TXU Energi £27.25
- 2) Hire of Hall for meetings: April 2000-March 2001. 13 meetings @£2.50 = £32.50.
- 3) Donation to Horton Parish Council for use of bunting: £5.00

11. Correspondence

There was discussion of the following issues, arising from a letter received from a parishioner:

- 1) A request for payment for replacement light bulbs, incurred for the visit of the Prince of Wales. While there was agreement that the parishioner should be reimbursed, the Chairman pointed out that as the lights belong to the Village Hall, the Parish Council is not empowered to pay for the bulbs. The bill should be forwarded to the Village Hall Committee.
- 2) The parishioner had concerns about the lack of streetlighting at points in the village and the possibility of subsequent over-payment for electricity; the provision of an external socket for future use of tree lights; the need to thank the parishioner who supplied the electricity to run the lights, and blocked drains.
- 3) It was agreed that Mrs. Mary Forster should be thanked for supplying the electricity to run the lights. The Chairman reported that Mrs. Forster had also agreed to have the tree cut down which obscures the streetlight. The Chairman will visit Mrs. Forster to convey the thanks of the Parish Council.

The following correspondence was noted:

CDC Craven Summer Events in Yorkshire's Southern Dales.

Horton Parish Council. Outcome of meeting on 14/01/02 re motorcycles.

CDC Notice of Election result: Standards Board..

CPRE Government's Planning Green Paper.

YLCA White Rose Update.

Civic Service – Sunday March 25th. 2002-02

CDC Draft: Timetable for 2002/3 – Mobile Information/Collection Service.

CDC New Ethical Framework: Letter from Standards Board YLCA Advice Note: Model Code of Conduct_ Interests and the Register of Interests.

CDC Register of Electors – Rolling Registration: Poster.

Letter from Wilf Fenten: Park Planning information; Green Lanes.

CDC. Notice of Anderson Enquiry into the Lessons learned from the Foot and Mouth Outbreak. Questionnaire.

Nationwide Awards for Voluntary Endeavour.

YLCA Planning Green Paper Consultation.

YDNPA Posters: Winter Walks; Winter Events; Tracks in Time; Pathfinder Training.

Alzheimers' Society, Craven Branch. Information.

NYCC Craven area Committee: Poster; Minutes of meeting 07/03/02.

Countryside Agency; Information.

YDNPA Planning Committee Minute; List of Applications.

Lafarge Aggregates: Information re current situation.

NYCC Winter Maintenance Gritting: Route Review.

NYCC Craven Area Committee: Poster and Funding Application Information.

CDC Rural Transport Initiative: Information re meeting.

Victoria Hall, Settle: March Diary.

NYPA: P.A. News.

Open Spaces Society: Magazine.

CDC: Casual Vacancies Procedures.

12. Any Other Business

- 1) Dry Rigg Quarry: Cllr. Warren will attend a meeting on 06/03/02.
- 2) Winter Maintenance Gritting Route Review: The Chairman will attend a meeting on 19/03/02.
- 3) Speeding Motorbikes: The Chairman will attend a meeting on 25/03/02
- 4) It was agreed that Peter Kemplay would be approached re the use of his drawing of the stepping stones on the Parish Council letterhead.
- 5) Foot and Mouth Disease Questionnaire: this was filled in.

13. Date of next meeting

Tuesday April 2nd. 2002 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.58 pm.

STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Tuesday April 2nd. 2002 IN STAINFORTH VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM.

Present: Councillors Beattie (Chairman), Longton, Macdonald, Warren and the Clerk.

1. Apologies for Absence: Apologies were received from Cllr. Maudsley.

2. Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the meeting of March 5th. 2002 were read, approved and signed.

3. Matters Arising:

OS map of Stainforth, centred and customised: Pending.

Visitor Parking problems, The Hollies and Hollies Cottages: A letter from Andy Ryland, Traffic Advisory Officer, YDNPA, indicated that NYCC is currently reviewing its policies concerning residents' parking areas. He suggested waiting until the result of the review is known before taking further action. Cllr. Warren reported that since charges had been reduced, the car park was being used more. It was agreed that the situation would be monitored.

Golden Jubilee: Cllr. Beattie reported that arrangements were progressing.

Picnic Site: Pending.

YDNPA Local Plan: Pending.

Planning Application No. C/64/83B: Outline planning permission for erection of one dwellinghouse
Location: Grounds of Holly House, Stainforth. The application has been passed.

Parish Council Letterhead: Peter Kemplay has given permission for his drawing of the stepping stones to be used on the Parish Council letterhead. The Clerk will write to thank him.

Dry Rigg Quarry: Cllr. Warren had attended a meeting convened by Lafarge Aggregate for discussion of its plans for the quarry. Cllr. Warren reported that there would be environmental benefits from the company's proposals.

Obstruction to pedestrians, footpath adjacent to Hollies House: Further to the hope expressed at the last meeting, that there might be further pruning of the ivy, Cllr. Warren reported that the owner of Hollies House was aware of the situation.

Speeding Motorcycles: Cllr. Macdonald reported back from a meeting in Horton. There has been a reduction in the number of traffic police, following redeployment after Sept. 11th. Horton council is writing to NYCC and the local MP concerning this reduction, particularly in the light of the 41% rise in Council Tax police costs. The fact the local police in Ingleton now have a radar speed gun was welcomed.

4. Public Participation:

There was no public participation.

5. Planning Application No. C/64/67C: Listed building consent for erection of railings and gate;

Location: Stockhill House, Stainforth. Initial consultation. The Council supported the reinstatement of the railings and the gate as part of the built heritage of the village.

6. Contract of Parish Clerk.

1) Employment. The Chairman presented a draft to councillors, to be signed at the next meeting.

7. Repairs and Maintenance.

Streetlights: The lights at Nook House Farm and at the garage had been repaired. The electrician will be asked to ensure that the installation of two further lights, still outstanding, is completed by the end of August. It was reported that the light at the bottom of E. Green is currently out, and that the one at Stockhill works only intermittently. The electrician will be informed.

Light at Church Gate: Cllr. Warren reported that the situation is in hand.

Sundry issues: Site meeting with Richard Marr. Pending.

Road on East Green: The Chairman reported progress towards reaching agreement with interested parties. The Chairman will need to see the solicitor representing the owner of the property currently standing empty. Cllr Longton agreed to accompany the Chairman.

Allotment Wall: This wall, and the one at the picnic site, has now been repaired.

Stepping Stones, scoring of the surface: In hand.

Sweeping of Dog Hill: It has been agreed that this will be done by the road sweeper.

Missing lid on bin, car park: This is still missing. Cllr Warren will follow it up. Cllr Warren raised the fact that the paper put into the Craven bin no longer benefits the Swimming Pool. Cllr. Beattie agreed to make enquiries about the feasibility of a collection of waste paper in Stainforth in aid of the swimming pool.

8. New Code of Conduct for Parish Councils: The adoption by the Council of the new Code of Conduct was proposed by Cllr. Beattie, seconded by Cllr. Longton, and carried unanimously. Councillors' Registers of Interests were distributed for signing.

9. Village Greens: Cllr. Beattie reported that pieces of land for registration in Knight Stainforth had been measured. Evidence statements, with new forms and maps, were being returned to residents for revised comment. The matters of the additional piece on W. Green, Stainforth, and grass cutting in Stainforth, are both pending.

10. Winter Maintenance Gritting Route Review. Cllr. Longton reported from the meeting. Financial constraints meant that Priority Routes 1 and 2 only were treated. There is no plan to treat streets in the village. It was agreed to contact Richard Marr of Environmental Services to discuss the siting of a bin at the foot of Goatscar Lane, and, by agreement with householders, of piles of grit. Possible sites will be identified.

11. Accounts: It was agreed to make the following payments:

- i) TXU Energi £27.25
- ii) Open Spaces Society: Annual Subscription £27.50

12. Correspondence.

The following correspondence was noted:

YDNPA. Out and About. Tourist information.

Victoria Hall, Settle. Forthcoming events.

CDC. Draft: Craven Community Strategy 2002-2012

Audit Commission: External Audit Arrangements from April 2002.

Yorkshire and Humber Assembly: RPG for Yorkshire and the Humber to 2016: Selective Review.

NYCC Environmental Services: Use of Experimental traffic Regulation Orders on Green Lanes.

NYCC Yorkshire Dales and Nidderdale Cycle Plan.

Clerks and Councils Direct.

Voluntary organisations and Community Groups in Craven: Newsletter.

Society of Local Council Clerks: Terms and Conditions of Employment for Clerks.

NYCC Foot and Mouth Crisis.

DEFRA: The Campaign against Illegal Poisoning of Wildlife.

YDNPA Planning: Agenda and Applications.

SMP (Playgrounds)

YDNPA: Meeting Agenda.

Craven Crime Reduction Partnership: A Safer Strategy for Craven.

YDNPA: Notice of Decision: Holly House, Stainforth.

YLCA: White Rose Update, Membership Information and invoice, Minutes.

Letter from Michael Noon, Parish Councils rep. on Craven District Standards Committee.

DEFRA; letter from Minister.

13. Any Other Business

Parish Magazine: It was noted that reports of Parish Council meetings in Horton and Langliffe are printed in the Parish magazine. It was agreed to put the matter on the agenda for May.

14. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 7th. May 2002 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall, to be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.50 pm.

STAINFORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON May 7th 2002

IN STAINFORTH VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM.

Present: Cllrs. Beattie (Chairman) Coulton, Maudsley, and the Clerk.

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs. Longton and Warren.
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the meeting of April 2nd. 2002 were read, approved and signed.
- 3. Councillors' Declaration of Interests.** This item was postponed until Matters Arising, to be incorporated in the discussion on 'New Code of Conduct for Councillors.

4. Matters Arising

OS map of Stainforth, centred and customised: Pending.

Golden Jubilee: Cllr. Beattie reported that arrangements were progressing. The programme will include a Fancy Dress Parade, children's races, a Dogs and Ducks demonstration by Roger Handy, Welly Throwing and Tug-of-War, sideshows and a Village Picnic.

Picnic Site: Pending.

YDNPA Local Plan: The draft Sustainability Appraisal has been received and is in the correspondence.

Planning Application No. C64/67/C: Listed building consent for erection of railings and gate at Stockhill House This application has been approved.

Streetlights: The electrician has been informed and reminded of the outstanding work, which the Council has asked to be completed by the end of July. The Clerk will follow up the reminder in July. Discussion of a contract with the electrician was deferred until the next meeting.

Road on East Green: Pending.

Stepping Stones, scoring of the surface: Pending.

Missing lid on bin, car park: A new lid has been fitted. The question of a weekly collection of waste paper for the swimming pool was discussed. The Chairman will contact Mr. and Mrs. Prior about the possibility of siting a container in the car park of The Craven Heifer.

New Code of Conduct for Parish Councils: Councillors present signed the Register of Interests, a copy of which will be made available to parishioners. The Clerk will approach Mrs. Prior re its being displayed in the Post Office. Councillors were reminded that they must notify the Monitoring Officer of any change to their Declaration of Interests. The Clerk holds forms for this purpose. It was agreed that Councillors' Declaration of Interests should be made routinely at the beginning of each Council Meeting.

Village Greens: The Chairman reported that Mr. Chapman had agreed to continue cutting the grass in Stainforth, but for this year only. Registration of the additional piece of land on W. Green is pending.

Light at Church Gate: Pending.

Sundry issues: Site meeting with Richard Marr. Richard Marr has confirmed the list of repairs to be done. This has been checked and amended by the Clerk. The Chairman will submit a map of the village with suggestions for the siting of grit piles and bins. Councillors welcomed his proposal that priority at the junction of Main Rd. and Goat Lane remain unchanged, but that the existing Give Way signs be relaid to improve their appearance, and that a centre line be laid on the bend to emphasis the layout of the junction to reduce the risk of accidents.

Contract of Parish Clerk. The Clerk signed the Contract of Employment.

NYCC Yorkshire Dales and Nidderdale Cycle Plan. Councillors supported the principle of cycling in the Dales but felt that it was unclear what connection, if any, there was between the NYCC plan and Sustrans and the Pennine Cycleway. The question of signs was also raised.

Audit Commission: External Audit Arrangements from April 2002: There were no nominations for the post of Internal Auditor in an exchange of auditors between parishes. There was no objection to the appointment by the Audit Commission of Mazars Neville Russell as External Auditors.

CDC. Draft: Craven Community Strategy 2002-2012: There was no comment.

RPG. Yorkshire and the Humber: It was agreed that the Council would remain on the Consultation mailing list.

The meeting was suspended at 8.41 pm.

5. Public Participation

A parishioner gave notice of his intention to apply for grant money from the Yorkshire Millennium Trust to rebuild a stretch of wall on Dog Hill. This matter will be brought to the Council meeting in June.

The meeting was re-opened at 8.44 pm.

6. Repairs and Maintenance

Goatscar Lane: It was noted that trees and shrubs along the lane have been pruned. Enquiries will be made and the matter brought to the Council meeting in June.

7. Parish Magazine:

- i) Report of Council meetings: The Clerk will submit a report of Council meetings for the parish magazine, the contents to be agreed beforehand by Councillors.
- ii) Parish Correspondent: It was agreed to advertise for a Parish Correspondent to co-ordinate reports of village activities and submit them for publication as appropriate.

8. Car Park Toilets.

Steve Hastie, the Park Ranger, had reported that some minor vandalism had taken place in the toilets on the Car Park. He had requested that this be brought to the attention of the Council. The Chairman will telephone parents of children in the village, and will talk to residents. The problem will be included in the report of the Council meeting for the Parish Magazine. The Clerk will ask for feedback from Steve Hastie.

9. Allotments: Tenancy Agreements.

Councillors agreed that tenants of the allotments should be asked to sign agreements, as from April 2002.

10. Green Lanes: Experimental TROs: There was agreement on the principle of the use of Experimental TROs on Green Lanes in the Dales.

11. Election of Vice Chairman: The resignation of Cllr. Macdonald had created a vacancy. Cllr. Maudsley was elected, having been proposed by Cllr. Beattie and seconded by Cllr. Coulton.

12. Accounts

Cllrs. Beattie, Coulton and Maudsley signed a new Bank Mandate.

It was agreed to make the following payments:

- i) Cost of Services to Parish Clerk: April 01-Jan. 02 (inc.) £190.83.
- ii) TXU Energi £27.25

- iii) YLCA Membership £55.00
- iv) Cornhill Insurance £183.34

13. Correspondence.

The following correspondence was noted.

YDNPA Out and About. 23/04/02

NALC Working for Local Communities.

Craven Arts: Annual Yorkshire Artists Exhibition.

CDC Notice of Poll; Election Statements.

YLCA Notice of Meeting.

CDC Notice of Local Government Conference.

Country Air.

Settle, Victoria Hall: Notices.

Audit Commission: Changes to the Parish and Town Council Audit System/Internal Auditor Appointments.

York and North Yorkshire Playing Fields Association. Membership details.

YDNPA List of Planning Applications, for meeting of April 9th.

YDNPA Agenda Planning Committee Meeting, 09/04/02, and Yorkshire Dales Local Plan 1st.Deposit June 2002, Sustainability Appraisal.

YDNPA Planning Application No. C/64/67C: Listed building consent for erection of railings and gate, Stockhill House, Stainforth. Approved.

The Ribblesdale Area Moving Picture Show.(T.R.A.M.P.S.) Information.

14. Any Other Business

Cllr. Maudsley agreed to fill in the Settle Cinema questionnaire. Cllr. Beattie hoped to be able to attend a meeting of the YLCA at Grassington on May 30th. 2002. It was agreed to approach Mrs. Prior at the Post Office about the display of Illegal Poisoning of Wildlife information.

15. Date of next meeting

Tuesday June 11th 2002 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.23 pm.