

**AN ORDINARY MEETING OF BISHOP THORNTON & WARSILL  
PAISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

**in Warsill Parish Hall.**

**Present:**

Cllr (Chair) Mr B Baker, Cllr Mr R Hughes, Cllr Mr I Gant, Cllr Mrs A Peacock  
Cllr Mrs R Watt and Cllr Mr CA Stobbs.

**Also in attendance:**

District Cllr Mrs C Hill, the Clerk and three members of the public.

**A copy of all the papers are held in the Minutes File**

- 1     **WELCOME.**  
Cllr Mr B Baker welcomed everybody to the meeting.
- 2     **APOLOGIES.**  
Apologies were received and accepted from. 7.31 p.m.
- 3     **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**  
Cllr Mr I Gant declared an interest in item 9.1. (a) on the agenda. 7.33 p.m.
- 4     **MINUTES.**  
The Minutes of the last Ordinary meeting of the Bishop Thornton and Warsill  
Parish Council held on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2014.     **(UNANIMOUS DECISION)** 7.34 p.m.
- 5     **EXEMPT INFORMATION.**  
There were no exempt matters. 7.35 p.m.
- 6     **DPI DISPENSATION REQUESTS.**  
No Councillors requested and granted a DPI Dispensation Requests under S101  
(LGA 1972) and S33 (The Localism Act 2011). 7.36 p.m.
- 7     **MATTERS ARISING:**  
There were no matters arising from previous minutes not covered on the agenda. 7.37 p.m.
- 8     **PLANNING:**
- 8.1
- (a) **PRESENTATION BY MR T SNOWDEN RE DROVERS INN SITE:** Mr  
Snowden and his Architect outlined new proposals for the Drovers Inn site.  
These indicated a development comprising eight properties in a ‘farmstead’  
style. The Parish Council found some merit in the scheme and will be interested  
to see the formal proposals in due course.
- (b) **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION BY MR R JOHNSON:** Mr Johnson who is  
experiencing some difficulties with HBC’s Planning Department requested  
advice in respect of his recent planning applications. Councillors advised him  
that he would be wise to seek professional and expert opinion as the Parish  
Council has only limited influence and expertise in these matters.
- 8.2 The following Planning Application(s) relevant to the area have been received  
for ratification since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General  
Purposes Committee.
- (a) **CARELESS HOUSE FARM, CARELESS HOUSE, BISHOP THORNTON:**

Erection of building to house biomass wood chip burning boiler and wood chip store for Mr M Dale – **NO OBJECTION**

- (b) LAND COMPRISING OS FIELD 3100, SOUTH LANE, WARSILL: Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling and installation of package treatment plant (Revised siting) (Site area 0.1ha) for - **NO OBJECTION**

8.3 No Planning Application(s) relevant to the area have been received for consideration since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee.

8.4 Notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee that the following Planning Application(s), relevant to the area, has been granted:

- (a) CARELESS HOUSE FARM, CARELESS HOUSE, BISHOP THORNTON:  
Erection of building to house biomass wood chip burning boiler and wood chip store for Mr M Dale.
- (b) DUKES PLACE STABLES, BISHOP THORNTON: Erection of extension to stables for Mr R Johnson

8.5 No notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee that any Planning Application(s), relevant to the area, has been refused.

8.6 No notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee that any Planning Application(s), relevant to the area, has been withdrawn.

8.7 No notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee that any Planning Application(s), relevant to the area may have been in breach of planning control.

8.8 No notification has been received since the last meeting of the full Parish Council / General Purposes Committee that any Planning Application(s), relevant to the area, has gone to appeal.

8.9 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS:  
RESIDENTIAL BUNGALOW/STATIC CARAVAN, THORNTON GROVE FARM, BISHOP THORNTON – The appeal by D Kirby has been allowed. 7.52 p.m.

9 **FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

9.1 PAYMENTS: The following payments were agreed:

- (a) Clerks Q2 Salary 2014/15 - £260.01
- (b) WARSILL PARISH HALL – rent for 3 meetings @£20pm - £60.00  
(UNANIMOUS DECISION)

OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS:

9.2 PKF LITTLEJOHN LLP PC AUDIT 2013/14 – Councillors acknowledged receipt of the completed Audit for 2013/14.

7.55 p.m.

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**10.1 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:**

- (a) STATE OF THE ROADS – Councillors acknowledged that the Warsill roads had finally been patched. Cllr Mr B Baker stated that the amount of time and money wasted by the gang undertaking the job was beyond belief. Cllr Mr I Gant informed the meeting that according to County Cllr Mr M Harrison NYCC have reduced their highway maintenance contract with Ringways by a year.

**10.2 OTHER HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:**

- (a) RAISED MANHOLE COVERS, GRANGE CLOSE, SHAW MILLS: Cllr Mr R Hughes reported that a resident of Grange Close, Shaw Mills had informed him that nothing had been done to repair the footpath on Grange Close and that the raised manhole covers remained a hazard to those using the footpath. The Clerk undertook to pursue the matter with NYCC 's Area 6 Highways Department.

(UNANIMOUS DECISION) 8.05 p.m.

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**HBC'S PARISH CONSULTATION ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2013 –**

Councillors discussed the forthcoming Group 2 HBC Annual Parish Consultation meeting on the Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October at Hampsthwaite Memorial Hall and agreed that the following question should be included on the meetings agenda:

*'Why can't officers in HBC's Planning Department have the courtesy to reply to responses or requests from Parish Councils; after all the Planning Department is populated by unelected officers unlike Parish Councillors who have to be responsive to the areas residents and voters'.*

(UNANIMOUS DECISION) 8.10 p.m.

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**ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA (For information only):**

- (a) **HARROGATE COUNCILLOR MRS C HILL'S REPORT:** Cllr Mrs Hill informed the meeting about the progress of Harrogate Council's new office scheme. She also highlighted the fact that Vodafone has a better coverage in rural areas than any other mobile phone provider.
- (b) **BROADBAND:** Cllr Mr Hughes informed the meeting that a BT have installed a new green box on Town Street which will improve the broadband speed in the Shaw Mills area but make no difference to Bishop Thornton or Warsill residence whose Broadband speed is not likely to improve before 2017.

8.18 p.m.

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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20 pm and called the Parish Council Meeting for Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2014 at 7.30 p.m. in Bishop Thornton RC School

**The Minutes were agreed and signed as being a true record of proceeding by the Chairperson at an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2014.**

**J A Gant MBE**

Clerk to Bishop Thornton & Warsill