

THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES

APRIL 1978

TO

MARCH 1979

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Westgate, Thirsk, on Monday, 17th April 1978 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), L. Stuart, C. J. Megson, T. W. Bateman, Mrs. A. M. W. Apologies Couns. J. J. Allenby, Mrs. M. P. Martin, E. Atkinson, H. D. Craig.

Minutes The Minutes of the Annual Assembly and the previous Council Meeting, having been circulated and approved were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Stuart.

Matters Arising - Annual Assembly

Tree Planting Scheme Coun. Megson stated that it is rather late to implement a tree planting scheme this year. The young willows need attention. It was agreed that Coun. Stuart and Coun. Atkinson should inspect them.

Charities As Coun. Craig was absent it was not possible to obtain a report on Charities.

Matters Arising - Council Meeting

Sub-Post Office Facilities Nothing reported.

Tree - The Green Coun. Wyon reported that the Civic Society will contribute towards the cost of the plaque.

Jubilee Money Coun. Stuart obtaining prices of trophies.

Open Spaces within Residential Areas - Dowber Lane Letter presented from the Secretary H.D.C. stating that the Recreation and Leisure Services Committee has made certain recommendations which are awaiting confirmation.

Speed Limit Nothing reported.

Communal Hall Nothing reported.

Cemetery Nothing reported.

Precept - Town Hall The Clerk reported that because the H.D.C. had made a grant of £3,400 instead of the anticipated grant of £3,600 it had been necessary for the Town Council and Sowerby Parish Council to provide the extra £200 in order for completion to take place on 31.3.78. A cheque for £5,100 had been issued on 30.3.78. It is anticipated that the £100 will be repaid in the event of a grant being made by the Department of Education and Science.

Market Place - Cobbles Letter presented from the Technical Officer H.D.C. stating that an order has been given to repair certain parts of the cobbled Market Place. Certain areas may require replacing and an inspection will take place shortly to decide the best course of action.

Rural Industries A pro forma for the Directory of Buildings and Land suitable for Small Light Industrial Development was completed.

Correspondence

Swimming Baths Management Committee Letter presented from the Secretary H.D.C. inviting a nomination for the committee for the year 1978/79. Coun. Bateman re-nominated.

Co-operation with the Police Letter presented from the Secretary Y.P.C.A. regarding the wish of the new Chief Constable of North Yorkshire for a closer liaison between Parish Councils and his Officers. The Clerk reported that Inspector Corner of Thirsk Police had offered to attend Town Council Meetings when items of mutual interest were on the Agenda.

Rural Transport Experiments - Northallerton Hospital Transport Service Letter presented from the Secretary H.D.C. enclosing a supply of pamphlets regarding the introduction of a service for persons wishing to travel to Hospital in Northallerton from their home within a specific catchment area.

Thirsk District Plan Copy of the Draft Thirsk District Plan presented. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

Town Hall Letter presented from the Secretary to the Town Hall Committee stating that the Yorkshire Rural Community Council have indicated that the consideration for a Grant has been favourably received but that the Committee will not be officially notified of any Grant before May 1978.

Thanksgiving Service Notice received that the Thanksgiving Service this year is being held in Thirsk Parish Church on Sunday, 7th May 1978 at 2.30 p.m.

Planning Applications No observations were made on the following applications:

Construction of a Building to incorporate a Staffroom with Office at Plump Bank Turkey Unit, O.S. 79, Felixkirk Road.

Alterations to Existing Shop and Provision of New Shop Front at Maynards, 18, Market Place.

Extension to Existing Bungalow to include a Domestic Garage at Ross Poultry Unit, Woodcock Lane.

Accounts The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Stuart, sec. Coun. Wyon.

A. W. Walker & Hiley (Issued 30.3.78)	- Share of Purchase Price of Town Hall	- £5,100
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol - Cemetery	- £ 3.04
J. Bell	- 1 year's Rent The Holmes 20p 1/2 year's Wayleaves 11p	- £ .31
Yorks. Water Authority	- Water Charges Cemetery Lodge 1 year to 31.3.78	- £ 11.93

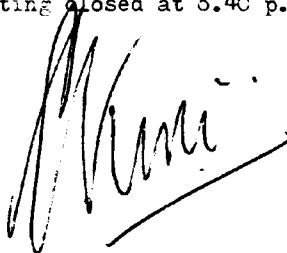
Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Stuart 'that there should be a "Chairman's Allowance"'. It was agreed to place this item on the next Agenda.

Chairman's Report The Chairman reported that Thirsk Young Farmers Club had carried out an 'Operation Springclean' in The Holmes. It was agreed to send a letter of thanks. The seats in the Mill Gardens need re-varnishing. It was agreed that all the memorial and presentation seats in the Market Place and on the Green, the seat around the tree on the Little Green and the bench seats should also be renovated. Mr. Hopps to be asked for a quotation. Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Stuart 'that the Chairman be empowered to accept a quotation up to £200.00 so that the work can be carried out as soon as possible.' Agreed.
The Chairman also reported that the final meeting of the present Town Hall Committee is to be held on 20th April 1978.

Any Other Business

Thirsk Harriers Coun. Stuart reported that Thirsk Harriers hope to spend £500.00 on equipment. Grants have been applied for to the Sports Council and the Hambleton District Council. It is hoped that the Town Council will give assistance if necessary.

The meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.

 May 15th 1978

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Thirsk on Monday, 15th May 1973 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk, J. J. Allenby, L. Stuart, Mrs. M. P. Martin, Mrs. A. M. Wyon, E. Atkinson, T. W. Bateman, H. D. Craig, C. J. Megson, E. R. Stott. 1 Member of the Public.

Election of Chairman Prop. Coun. Bateman, sec. Coun. Stuart 'that Coun. Kirk be elected Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Stott 'that Coun. Megson be elected.

Voting was 5 - 5. Coun. Kirk, the retiring Chairman gave his casting vote and was re-elected. Coun. Kirk accepted the office of Chairman and thanked members for his election.

Election of Vice Chairman Prop. Coun. Stuart, sec. Coun. Atkinson 'that Coun. Bateman be elected. Voting was unanimously in favour.

Appointment of Representatives

Local Councils Association Couns. Stuart and Allenby re-appointed.

Civic Society Coun. Megson re-appointed.

Flatts Preservation Trust Coun. Craig re-appointed.

Charities Couns. Craig and Stuart appointed.

Hambleton Sports Council Coun. Stuart re-appointed.

Sub-Committees

Cemetery Couns. Kirk, Bateman and Craig re-appointed.

The Holmes and the Greens Couns. Stuart, Craig and Atkinson re-appointed.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Megson, sec. Coun. Bateman.

Matters Arising

Tree Planting The Chairman reported that Tillhill Forestry had given 100 willows - 50 Salix Viminalis and 50 Salix Alba - for planting in The Holmes. The planting had been carried out by the Young Farmers Club. Letters of thanks to be sent.

Charities Coun. Craig reported that a total of £48.00 had been distributed at Christmas.

Sub Post Office Facilities Nothing reported.

Tree - The Green - Plaque Nothing reported.

Jubilee Money Nothing reported.

Open Spaces within Residential Areas - Dowber Lane Minute RL 125 of the Hambleton District Council stated that the open space

adjoining plot Nos. 54, 55 and 102 would be permitted to be divided and enclosed within the curtilage of the houses to be erected on plots 54, 55 and 102. That the open space adjoining plot Nos. 1 - 14 be retained as open space and provided that the developer make an appropriate contribution the Council will acquire the land as 'Public Open Space and maintain as such. In view of the reluctance of Thirsk Town Council to maintain and control the land as a Public Open Space, the nett cost to the Council be a charge on the parish of Thirsk under Section 147 of the Local Government Act, 1972.

Speed Limit Nothing reported.

Communal Hall Minute H 159 of the Hambleton District Council stated that it was felt that the provision of communal facilities in the vicinity was unnecessary and that the matter be referred to the Recreation and Leisure Services Committee.

Cemetery The Chairman expressed regret that only the Vice Chairman, Clerk and himself had represented the Council at the Consecration of the remaining land at the Cemetery by the Bishop of Whitby.

Town Hall The Chairman reported that the next Committee meeting is being held on 23rd May and he will report to the next Council meeting.

Market Place Cobbles Coun. Craig reported that an inspection by a Hambleton District Council official has taken place.

Seats A quotation of £37.78 + V.A.T. for the treatment of the seats had been received from Mr. Hopps and accepted. The Chairman reported that the work had commenced.

Chairman's Allowance Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Atkinson 'that the Chairman be allowed to spend up to £25.00 without prior permission.' Voting - 9 in favour - Coun. Megson against.

Cemetery Charges It was agreed that the Clerk and Cemetery Sub Committee discuss this matter with the Cemetery Superintendent.

Thirsk District Plan A letter objecting to the proposed housing development on Stockton Road was presented and supported. Prop. Coun. Bateman, sec. Coun. Craig 'that the Town Council support the observations made at the Public Meeting in the Town Hall.' Agreed.

Report of the P.C.A. Meeting Coun. Stuart reported that the subject of the renovation of Northallerton Town Hall had been discussed and the meeting told that it was now too late to object.

Correspondence

Road Works Letter presented from the County Area Surveyor giving notice of roadworks on the B1448 - Thirsk Church to Pick's Lane - and the A61 - Millgate to Long St.

Footpath Closure Notice presented of the proposal to close the Black Bull Yard footpath.

Leeds to Dishforth Link Road Letter presented from the Civic Society requesting support for their preference for the blue route over the brown route. It was agreed to give support and notify the County Surveyor.

St. Mary's Parish Churchyard Letter presented requesting a grant towards the upkeep. It was agreed to grant £150.00 as last year.

Parish Reviews Letter presented stating that any observations regarding the forthcoming review of parish boundaries should be submitted by 31st July. It was agreed that the Town Council do not wish for any changes in Thirsk.

Village Appraisals Questionnaire from the P.C.A. completed.

Draft County Structure Plan Letter presented giving notice of a Public Meeting in the Town Hall on Monday, 26th June at 7.30 p.m.

Jubilee Appeal Letter presented giving details of courses for young people.

Plans No observations were made on the following planning applications.

Application for Listed Building Consent and Alterations and Extensions to Existing Public House at the Royal Oak.

Construction of a Domestic Garage at 16, Woolmoor Close.

Construction of a Builders Store at Rear of 91A, Long Street.

Accounts The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Wyon.

Accounts as circulated

Hambleton District Council	-	4 Years Rates - Cemetery Lodge	-	£ 63.60
Thirsk Motors	-	Petrol - Cemetery	-	£ 5.34
Dominick McCreery Ltd	-	Servicing Typewriter	-	£ 12.94
Yorks. Ass'n of Local Councils	-	Subscription	£50.40	
		L.C. Review	£ 8.00	
		Stationery	£ 4.15	
Hambleton District Council	-	Supply of Minutes 1973/79	-	£ 62.55
Flatts Preservation Trust	-	Grant (Minutes Dec. 1977)	-	£ 7.56
<u>Additional Account</u>				£250.00
Thirsk Parochial Church Council-		Grant to upkeep of Churchyard	-	£150.00

Chairman's Report The Chairman reported that a representative had been requested for the Community Care Association. The Chairman was nominated and agreed.

Complaints had been received regarding a stall on the pavement outside the Royal Oak and other premises. It was agreed 'that this Council seeks the assistance of the Police regarding obstructions on the pavement about which complaints have been received.'

An account in the joint names of Thirsk and Sowerby Parish Councils had been closed at the Trustee Saving Bank and a balance of £31.58 given to each Council. Seats outside the Midland Bank had been fouled by pigeons - Coun. Megson agreed to raise the matter with the H.D.C. It was considered that the laytor had not been previously overhauled and work is now being carried out by a local workman.

Any Other Business

The Holmes Coun. Stuart reported on work requiring to be done. The Chairman agreed to approach the Young Farmers Club.

Community Health Council The Clerk reminded members that the June meeting is to commence at 7.00 p.m. when the Secretary of the Community Health Council will give a talk.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

[Signature] June 19th 1978

Recommendations for Increases in Cemetery Charges - made at a meeting with the Cemetery Superintendent on Wednesday, 24th May 1978.

Please refer to Rules and Regulations for the Management of the Cemetery and the List of Increases recommended on 24th June 1975.

Part 1. Interments

1. For the interment, in a grave in respect of which an exclusive right of burial has not been granted-
 - (i) of the body of a still-born child, or of a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed one month. Increase from £1.00 to £1.50.
 - (ii) of the body of a child whose age at the time of death exceeded one month but did not exceed twelve years. Increase from £4.00 to £4.25.
 - (iii) of the body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded twelve years. Increase from £10.00 to £12.00.
2. The same increase in fees as above to apply.
3. For any interment in a vault. Increase from £6.00 to £8.00.
4. For the interment of cremated remains in a grave in respect of which an exclusive right of burial has been granted. Increase from £4.00 to £6.00.

Part 2. Exclusive Rights of Burial in Earthen Graves

1. For the exclusive right of burial-
 - (i) in perpetuity (99 years),
 - (a) in an earthen grave 9' by 4'. Increase from £8.00 to £10.00.
 - (b) in an earthen grave 9' by 8'. Increase from £16.00 to £20.00.

Part 4. For the right to erect or place on a grave or vault in respect of which the exclusive right of burial has been granted-

- (ii) a headstone,
 - (a) not exceeding 4'6" in height. Increase from £3.00 to £4.00.
- (v) a vase (with inscription)
 - (a) not exceeding 18" in height. Increase from £1.00 to £1.50.
 - (b) this part to be deleted.

The fees indicated for the various heads of Part 4 include the first inscription. For each inscription after the first a fee of £2.00 is payable.
Increased from £1.50.

Registrar's Fees

- For Certificate of Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial in perpetuity, for each Grave space and Registration thereof. Increase from 20p to 50p.
- For comparing Inscription for Headstone, and other erections with Register of Burials each entry. Increase from 5p to 10p.
- For searching Register of Burials, one year or part of a year. Increase from 10p to 20p.
- For every additional year or part of a year. Increase from 5p to 10p.
- For Certificate of Burial. Increase from 19p to 50p.

All other fees to remain as before.

To come into effect on 1st July 1978.

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Thirsk, on Monday, 19th June 1978 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), Mrs. M. P. Martin, J. J. Allenby, E. R. Stott, H. D. Craig, E. Atkinson, L. Stuart, C. J. Megson & 1 Member of the Public. Couns. G. Snowden, R. W. Smith, G. Scaife and Mrs. E. E. Hall of Sowerby P.C. were present for the talk on the Community Health Council.
Apologies Couns. Mrs. A. M. Wyon, T. W. Bateman.

Community Health Council Mr. Anthony Bradford, Secretary of the Northallerton District Community Health Council, gave a talk on the work and purposes of the Council and answered questions afterwards.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Martin, sec. Coun. Stuart.

Matters Arising

Sub Post Office Facilities Nothing reported.

Tree- The Green - Plaque Nothing reported.

Jubilee Money Coun. Stuart reported that he hoped to obtain the trophies in the near future.

Open Spaces in Residential Areas - Dowber Lane Correspondence between the Hambleton District Council and Barratts was read. Barratts agreed to convey the open space on the eastern side of the development to plots 54 and 55, and stated that they would be prepared to convey the space on the western side, adjacent to plots 1 - 14, to the H.D.C. for a nominal consideration. They would also be willing to pay a reasonable once and for all contribution towards the cost of future maintenance. The Secretary H.D.C. had requested the Technical Officer to assess the likely estimated cost of the land's future maintenance over a period of 20 to 30 years.

Speed Limit Nothing reported.

Communal Hall Coun. Megson reported that no decision would be made until the building comes up for sale.

Cobbles - Market Place It was reported that repairs are to be carried out.

Seats Renovation of seats completed. It was agreed to ask Mr. Hopps for a quotation to paint the wooden parts of the seats at Hambleton Drive, Hambleton Place, Old Sutton Road, White Mare Corner, Stockton Road and The Holmes.

Obstruction of Footpaths A letter was presented from the Inspector of Police stating that the obstructions have been removed.

The Holmes It was agreed to ask Mr. Collinson if he can arrange to have the long grass round the seats and trees cut.

Cemetery Charges Prop. Coun. Stott, sec. Coun. Allenby 'to approve the recommended increases in Cemetery Charges.' Agreed. To come into effect on

1st July 1978.

Correspondence

Revised Postal Arrangements Letter presented from the Head Postmaster, York, giving details of revised postal arrangements affecting Thirsk and Sowerby.

Weight Restriction Prop. Coun. Stott, sec. Coun. Allenby 'that a 3 Ton Weight Restriction should be requested for traffic travelling on the A61 Ripon to Thirsk Road, to take effect from the Baldersby Gate Roundabout via Baldersby, Skipton on Swale, Carlton Miniott, Station Road, Thirsk Market Place, Millgate, Long Street and South Kilvington to a point opposite Chapel Farm at North Kilvington. Restriction not to apply to local traffic requiring access.' Agreed.

Development Area Status in North Yorkshire Letter presented from John Spence, M.P., regarding the loss of Development Area Status. It was stated that despite the down grading of North Yorkshire, assistance is still available to Small Firms and that unemployment in the Thirsk Area is well below the average for Development Areas.

It was agreed to reply appreciating that assistance is still available for the type of small industry that Thirsk wishes to attract and to point out that the unemployment figure would be much higher if so many people did not travel outside the boundary of Thirsk to work.

Plans No observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

Revised Details of an Extension to Existing Factory to form Despatch Chill and Canopy at Yorkshire Meat Packers, Station Road.

Construction of a Storage Building at Yorkshire Meat Packers.

Construction of a Canopy to Existing Wash Bay at Yorkshire Meat Packers.

Change of Use from Residential Accommodation to Office Use at 22, Kirkgate.

Alterations to Existing Storage Building to form a Vehicular Access at Millgate.

Display of a Non-Illuminated Fascia Sign at 64A, Market Place.

Change of Use of First and Second Floor Office and Domestic Accommodation to Residential Hotel Accommodation at 11, Market Place.

Application for Listed Building Consent for Alterations and Extension to Existing Public House at Royal Oak Hotel.

Accounts The following Accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Martin, sec. Coun. Stuart.

Accounts as circulated

Mower Services	- Repairs to Haytor Mower	-	£ 47.00
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol for Cemetery	-	£ 9.87
D. G. Collinson	- Salary April to June	£330.00	
	" B.S. Clerical Work	£ 15.00	
	Dividend	£ 4.75	- £349.75
P. Smith	- Salary April to June	£116.00	
	Administrative Expenses	£ 8.63	- £124.63
Coun. L. Stuart	- Travelling Expenses to P.C.A. Meeting at Easingwold		- £ 2.40

Additional Accounts

L. C. Hopps	- Treating Seats	-	£ 94.80
North Yorks. P.F. Ass'n	- Subscription	-	£ 2.00
D. G. Collinson	- Work at Mill Gardens & Grass Cutting	-	£ 38.00
H. Wick	- Bedding Plants	-	£ 7.00

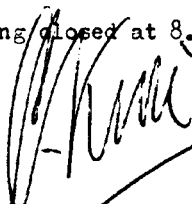
Chairman's Report The Chairman reported that a new secretary has been appointed to the Town Hall Committee, Mr. H. Hall. A new constitution was being prepared. There had been a report of a child being hurt on a swing at The Holmes. The Chairman had inspected the swing and replaced the seat. The Chairman suggested that the old bier at the Cemetery should be refurbished and put in the Museum. It was agreed that the Cemetery Sub Committee obtain advice before proceeding. Approval was sought for the allocating of £100.00 for the entertaining of the R.H.A. Officers and Senior N.C.O.'s - Sowerby P.C. having allocated the same amount. Prop. Coun. Martin, sec. Coun. Stuart 'that this be approved.' Voting was 7 in favour - Coun. Megson against.

Any Other Business

Badge of Office Coun. Stuart expressed the opinion that the Chairman should have a Badge of Office for official occasions.

The Holmes The Parish Councils Association to be asked if it would be possible to obtain a grant to further develop The Holmes.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.


17/7/78

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Thirsk, on Monday 17th July 1978 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), E. Atkinson, T. W. Bateman, Mrs. M. P. Martin, H. D. Craig, C. J. Megson, E. R. Stott, Mrs. A. M. Wyon + 2 Members of the Public.
Apologies Couns. L. Stuart, J. J. Allenby.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Martin, sec. Coun. Atkinson.

Matters Arising

Sub Post Office Facilities Nothing reported.

Plaque (Tree on the Green) Nothing reported.

Jubilee Money Four trophies purchased at a total cost of £116.35 (inc. V.A.T.).

Open Spaces within Residential Areas - Dowber Lane Nothing reported.

Speed Limit Nothing reported.

Gobbles Repairs being carried out.

Seats Quotation not yet received.

The Holmes Grass around seats and trees not yet cut. No reply received from the P.C. regarding a grant.

Weight Restriction Reply awaited from County Surveyor. A resolution by Coun. Megson 'that Skipton Bridge be retained with a weight restriction of 3 tons' was discussed but no action taken. The subject of weight restriction on the A61 had been discussed at the County Structure Plan Public Meeting where the Deputy Planning Officer had agreed to put the meeting's views to the County Surveyor.

Rectory Reception The Chairman thanked the members who had attended. Letters of thanks from members of the Royal Horse Artillery were read to the meeting.

County Structure Plan Members felt unable to make constructive comment until they had read the full context of the draft plan. It was agreed to leave the matter until the September meeting although the closing date was given as 24th August.

Traffic Problems on the Hambleton Estate Coun. Craig spoke of the problems caused by increased traffic on the Hambleton Estate due to the increased number of moving cars, parked cars and lack of playing facilities for children who have to play in the roadway. It was agreed to hold a site meeting on Tuesday, 25th July at 6.00 p.m. and ask for a Police representative.

Christmas Lights The Chairman reported that extra harness is needed. It was agreed to purchase 2 lengths at a cost of approximately £130.00. An advertisement to be put in the August issue of the Thirsk Advertiser inviting Electricians to tender for the erection, maintenance and dismantling of the lights for Christmas 1978. Tenders to be in for the October meeting.

Notice of Motion Prop. Coun. Megson, sec. Coun. Craig 'that this Council make representation to the responsible authority to seek to prevent Highly Inflammable Consignments such as Liquid Gas passing through Thirsk Market Place.' It was agreed to write to John Spence M.P. and send a copy to the Secretary H.D.C.

Correspondence

Off Street Parking Letter presented from the Secretary Yorkshire P.C.A. asking whether the provision of Off Street Parking is a problem which has arisen or is likely to arise and if so whether the reaching of a joint funding agreement between County, District and Parish Councils would be a worthwhile policy to pursue. It was agreed that it is a problem and a joint agreement would be worthwhile.

Extinguishment of Black Bull Hotel Footpath A copy of the confirmed order which became operative on 8th July presented.

Yorkshire Parish Councils Association Preliminary notice received that the A.G.M. will be held at York University on 30th September.

North Yorkshire Playing Fields Association Notice presented of the A.G.M. on 18th July, at Hampsthwaite. Coun. Stuart attending.

Street Plan Letter presented from Forward Publicity asking if the Town Council will shortly consider the authorisation of a revised edition. The Clerk stated that there are still 500 copies of the 1976 edition. It was agreed not to authorise a new one.

Annual Audit The Clerk reported that the Audit will take place, commencing on Monday, 21st August in the County Infants School.

Plans No observations were made on the following planning applications.

Display of an Externally Illuminated Wall Sign at Rear of the Royal Hotel.

Erection of a High Voltage Overhead Electricity Line to supply Thornton Stud.

Application for Listed Building Consent and Extension to Existing Hotel to include the Demolition of Existing Stable and Garages at the Three Tuns Hotel.

Application for Listed Building Consent and Alterations and Extension to Existing Public House at the Royal Oak Hotel.

Construction of a Domestic Garage at 27, Tranmere Close.

Accounts The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Atkinson, sec. Coun. Martin.

Accounts as Circulated

Municipal Mutual Insurance	- Premium for Combined Policy	- £ 35.67
Coun. Stuart	- Re-imbursement of Payment to Sport and Leisure for Sports Trophies	- £116.35
Coun. Kirk	- Re-imbursement of cost of copy of County Structure Plan	- £ 3.00
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol for Cemetery	- £ 3.73
York. Purchasing Org.	- Stationery, Etc.	- £ 9.98
C. B. Press	- Invitations for Rectory Reception	- £ 7.56
Lewis & Cooper	- Hire of Glasses	- £ 2.70

Burial Grants

Mr. M. J. Wray	23 A5	£ 16.00
Mrs. M. J. Wray	22 A5	£ 16.00

Chairman's Report The Chairman reported that 1.290 tonnes of paper had been collected and sold. The broken swing seat on The Holmes had been replaced.

Coun. Megson reported that another swing seat is broken.

Any Other Business

White Swan Yard Footpath Coun. Megson reported that the H.D.C. had made up the path to it's boundary. It was agreed to ask the N.Y.C.C. to complete the remaining 20 yards.

Ladies' Toilets Coun. Wyon reported on the appalling state of the ladies' toilets. It was agreed to ask the H.D.C. to provide a full time attendant and cleaner.

Clerk's Salary Coun. Craig gave notice that at the next meeting he will propose that the clerk be paid in accordance with the National Association of Local Councils Formula of '26 $\frac{1}{2}$ % (26.25%) of the Penny Rate Product of the parish or community or the same percentage of the population (expressed as a figure in pounds) whichever is the less.'

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.

C. Kirk Sept 18th 1978

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Thirsk, on Monday 18th September 1978 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), H. D. Craig, J. J. Allenby, L. Stuart, Mrs. A. M. Mrs. M. P. Martin, E. Atkinson, E. R. Stott, Inspector G. Corner & 2 Members of the Public.

Apologies Couns. T. W. Bateman, C. J. Megson.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Allenby, sec. Coun. Atkinson.

Proposed New Traffic Plan for Town End and Waiting Restrictions - Westgate It was agreed to alter the

Agenda and commence with this item. Insp. Corner outlined the proposal of the N.Y.C.C. that Station Road/Westgate should become the main road and Halt signs would be on Top Road. A census had shown that Station Road carried the most traffic. Members agreed a request should be made for the traffic island to remain to facilitate the crossing of road by pedestrians. It was also recommended that the road from Westgate into Sowerby should be made 'one way'. A plan from the Chief Executive N.Y.C.C. showed the proposal that the section of Westgate from the Police Station to beyond 8, Westgate would be subjected to 'Waiting Restrictions' from 8.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. Members were in agreement with the proposal.

Matters Arising

Sub Post Office Facilities Nothing reported.

Plaque (Tree on The Green) Coun. Wyon reported that the plaque is completed and is being paid for by Mrs. E. R. Jackson. The Council will only have to

meet the cost of fixing.

Open Spaces in Residential Areas - Dowber Lane Nothing reported.

Speed Limit Nothing reported.

Cobbles Work proceeding.

Seats Quotation to treat 8 seats at a cost of £38.55 + V.A.T. received from Mr. Hoppa. This had been approved by the members attending the site meeting on the Hambleton Estate on 25th July.

The Holmes It was reported that the grass needs cutting. The Chairman reported that it is in hand. Coun. Stuart reported that he is replacing the broken swing with a tyre.

Weight Restriction Letter received from the County Surveyor stating that the matter will be discussed by the No. 1 Area Highway Sub-Committee. Letter presented from John Spence M.P. endorsing the resolution in relation to a weight limit of 3 tons

Traffic Problem on the Hambleton Estate Site meeting had taken place and the members attending had met residents protesting about

speeding and heavy traffic, lack of a playing field, and an open ditch. H.D.C. had been notified of these problems by the Clerk. Coun. Craig stated that the open ditch had been fenced in but he had nothing to report regarding the traffic and playing field

Christmas Lights The Chairman reported that he was awaiting delivery of two lengths of harness and that he had ordered 100 replacement bulbs. One enquiry regarding the lights had been received.

Highly Inflammable Consignments Letter received from John Spence M.P. stating that he supports any legislation to control the transportation of such cargoes. Letter acknowledged by the Secretary H.D.C.

Waste Paper The Clerk reported that difficulty is being experienced in obtaining payment for the paper. It was agreed to contact a different firm in future.

White Swan Yard Letter presented from Mr. Woods agreeing to make up the footpath.

Ladies' Toilets Letter presented from the Secretary H.D.C. stating that the Technical Officer has been asked to take action.

County Structure Plan Members commented on Housing and Population, Industry and Employment, Transport, Shopping, Agriculture, Leisure and Environment.

Clerk's Salary Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Wyon 'that the Clerk be paid in accordance with the Nat. Ass'n of Local Councils Formula on condition that the Board work is undertaken.' On an amendment Prop. Coun. Allenby, sec. Coun. Atkinson 'that the amount of the formula (£735) be paid less the £60 paid to the Cemetery Superintendent for the Burial Board clerical work (£675).' Voting was 2 for the amendment for the proposal. Coun. Craig rescinded his proposal in favour of the amendment which was then carried unanimously. It was agreed that the increase be backdated to 1st July

Audited Statement The Audited Financial Statement was presented and accepted.
Barclays Bank The Chairman reported that a request had been made for a seat to be placed outside Barclays Bank. He had arranged for one of the seats from outside the Midland Bank to be moved there. It was agreed that it should remain.

Correspondence

Association of Neighbourhood Councils Questionnaire presented and completed. It was agreed not to pay a subscription.

Governing Body - New Primary School Letter presented from the County Education Officer stating that there will be 3 Minor Authority Representatives. It was agreed that there should be one each from the Town Council, Bagby and Balk and Hillside Parish Councils.

Transfer of Licence Notice presented that Mr. I. Tait intends to apply for the transfer of the licence of the York Co-op Society Off-Licence.

Transfer of Licence Notice presented that Mr. W. Morris intends to apply for the transfer of the licence of the Blacksmith's Arms.

Agenda and Minutes Letter presented from a Northern Echo reporter requesting Agenda and Minutes. It was agreed that they should be supplied and also to the Northallerton, Thirsk and Bedale Times reporter.

Map of Thirsk Letter presented from Mr. P. Crossley offering for sale at £5.00 a map and reports complementary to the one previously purchased. It was agreed to accept the offer for them to be sent on approval.

Coun. Megson A letter from Coun. Megson was presented regarding the Cemetery, The Greens, Little Green, The Holmes, County Structure Plan and the seat outside the National Westminster Bank. It was reported that action had already been taken on most of these matters.

Plans No observations had been made by the Chairman and Vice Chairman on the plans for the August Planning Meeting.
Alterations and Extension to Existing Residential Accommodation for use of Part Ground Floor and First Floor as Upholstery/Antique Restoration and Cabinet Making with Office at 11, Westgate.
Construction of a Detached Domestic Garage with Lean-to Greenhouse at 18, Tranmire
Outline Application for the Construction of a Dwelling at Barbeck.
Outline Application for the Construction of a Bungalow to replace Existing Former Bungalow at Part O.S. 95 Sutton Road.
Use of Former Poultry Breeding Units as a Workshop for the Manufacture of Light Alloy Components at Station Road.
Construction of a Front Porch at 2, St. Mary's Drive.
Outline Application for Residential Development at 40, Long Street.
Outline Application for Residential Development at Land to Rear of and Including 20, Kirkgate.
Siting of a Portakabin to House a Home Dialysis Unit at 18, Hambleton Place.
Alterations and Extensions to Existing Dwellinghouse at 47, The Green.

Plans for September Meeting Letter presented from the Planning Officer regarding the application for Residential Development at 40, Long Street. No's 44, 46, 48 Long Street to be demolished to accommodate a better vehicular access. 7 members in agreement, Coun. Craig against.

Outline Application for the Construction of a Warehouse for Storage of Carpets at 29 -33, Westgate. Objections made on the grounds that access onto a very busy road is extremely hazardous. Development would encroach onto an Ancient Monument.

No objections were made to the following applications.

Use of Disused Building as a Building Materials Retail Warehouse with Joiners Workshop at Rear of 46, Market Place.

Revised details of an Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse to Include a Domestic Garage at 27, Tranmire Close.

Extension to Existing Garage to form a Domestic Double Garage at 12, St. Mary's Wall

Precept A precept for £2,500 was signed on the Hambleton District Council.

Accounts The following Accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Wyon,
sec. Coun. Atkinson.

As Circulated

J. T. Thompson	-	Cutting The Holmes (June)	-	£ 32.4
Municipal Mutual Ins.	-	Premium on Motor Mower	-	£ 15.0
Codbeck Internal D. Bd.	-	Drainage Rates	-	£ 2.2
Thirsk Motors	-	Petrol for Cemetery (July & August)	-	£ 45.5
Dept. of Environment	-	Audit Fee	-	£ 69.0
Coun. Stuart	-	Travelling Expenses to North Yorks. Playing Fields Ass'n A.G.M. & P.C.A. Meeting	-	£ 8.0
D. G. Collinson	-	Salary - July to September	£ 330.00	
		" B. Bd. Clerical Wk	£ 15.00	
		Dividend	£ 4.25	- £ 349.0
P. Smith	-	Salary - July to September	£ 116.00	
		Administrative Expenses	£ 6.80	- £ 122.0
Sowerby Parish Council	-	Half of the cost of Refreshments for Rectory Reception less half of the cost of Printing Invitations and Hiring Glasses		- £ 52.0


Chairman's Report The Chairman reported that he had received a complaint from a tenant in Hambleton Close about the cutting of grass outside the bungalow.
Coun. Craig taking up this matter with the H.D.C. A letter had been received from Mrs McKie asking for a meeting room for old people. Supplementary heating is being installed in the Town Hall. The Chairman stated that a meeting of the Cemetery Sub Committee will take place in the near future.

Any Other Business

Footpaths Coun. Allenby reported that the footpaths around the Market Place need attention. It was reported that the Public Footpath from Appleyard's to Chapel Street needs repairing.

Parking - The Green Coun. Allenby reported that cars have been parked on the grass.

The meeting closed at 9.50 p.m.

 16/10/88

Report of the Meeting of the Cemetery Sub-Committee, held at the Cemetery on Thursday, 12th October 1978 at 2.00 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk, T. W. Bateman, H. D. Craig and the Clerk.

The following recommendations were made:

1. Tenders should be invited for the pointing up of the West Wall and the building up of the buttresses as necessary.
2. Action is needed regarding the disturbance of gravestones by tree roots at the West Wall. It was agreed that graves should not be dug near to the wall in the newly consecrated section.
3. The wooden seat should be stripped and varnished and the metal seat stripped and painted.
4. The grassed area at the site of the old chapels should be fenced off as the Garden of Rest for cremated remains.
5. The grass on the unused areas could be cut and sold for hay.
6. The bier should be renovated.
7. The three mowers should be overhauled during the winter months.
8. The footpaths should be repaired as necessary.
9. An outside light should be fixed above the front door of Cemetery Lodge.

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Westgate, on Monday, 16th October 1978 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), H. D. Craig, Mrs. M. P. Martin, Mrs. A. N. Wyon, J. J. Allenby, L. Stuart, C. J. Megson, T. W. Bateman.
Apologies Coun. E. Atkinson.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Martin, sec. Coun. Stuart.

Matters Arising

Traffic Plan Nothing reported.

Sub Post Office Facilities Nothing reported. It was agreed to request a Telephone Kiosk for the East side of the Hambleton Estate.

Plaque The plaque was shown to the meeting by Coun. Wyon. Mr. Colin Almack, who had mounted the plaque, had requested that his fee of £2.00 be given to the Museum.

Open Spaces within Residential Areas Nothing reported.

Speed Limit Letter presented from the Chief Executive N.Y.C.C. stating that the Secretary of State for Transport has consented to the making of the order raising the limit to 40 m.p.h. which will come into operation in the near future.

Cobbles Work still proceeding.

The Holmes The grass had been cut. Coun. Stuart showed the meeting a vandalised swing seat.

Weight Restriction Nothing reported.

Traffic Problem - Hambleton Estate Nothing reported.

Waste Paper Payment not yet received.

Managing Body - New Primary School Letter presented from the County Education Officer requesting the name of this Council's representative. It was agreed that Coun. Martin should represent the Town Council.

Transfer of Licence - York Co-operative Society Letter presented stating that the Licensing Justices had intimated that they would prefer the licence to be held by the local store manager, Mr. I. Caldow, and Mr. I. Tait. Notice presented accordingly.

Map of Thirsk Boundary Map of Thirsk and Reports presented to the meeting. It was agreed to purchase for £5.00. Copies to be taken and the original given to the Museum.

Footpaths Letter presented from Mr. Woods stating that repair work will be carried out in the near future.

Parking on the Green The Chairman agreed to approach a resident who has a car parked on the grass.

Christmas Lights Two tenders were received for the erection, maintenance and dismantling of the lights.

1. £200.00 + V.A.T.

2. £300.00 + V.A.T.

Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Stuart 'to accept the lowest tender, submitted by Mr. A. Grinston, 4A Electrical Services, Northallerton.' Agreed.

Report of the Cemetery Sub-Committee The following recommendations were made:

1. Tenders should be invited for the pointing up of the West Wall and the building up of the buttresses.
2. Action is needed regarding the disturbance of graves by tree roots at the west wall. Graves should not be dug near the wall in the newly consecrated section.
3. The wooden seat should be stripped and varnished and the metal seat stripped and painted.
4. The grassed area at the site of the old chapels should be fenced off as the Garden of Rest for cremated remains.
5. The grass on the unused areas could be cut and sold for hay.
6. The old bier should be renovated.
7. The three mowers should be overhauled during the winter months.
8. The footpaths should be repaired as necessary.
9. An outside light should be fixed above the front door of Cemetery Lodge.
10. An attempt should be made to dispose of the heap of stones near the gate onto Wetlands Lane.

The recommendations were accepted. It was agreed that work on the wall and footpaths should be left until Spring. Mr. Hopps to be asked to quote for treating the seats. Mr. Thompson to be consulted regarding the tree roots. The Chairman agreed to consult a local craftsman regarding the bier. A price to be obtained for the Cemetery Lodge light.

Correspondence

Bollard at Corner of Post Office

Letter presented from the Technical Officer H.D.C. stating that he had received a request from the Head Postmaster for permission to erect a bollard at the corner of the Post Office building to protect it from lorry damage, and inviting the opinion of the Town Council. It was decided that it should be settled between the Post Office and the Technical Officer and no observations were made.

Local Government Boundary Commission Boundary Commissions Report No. 293 presented.

Plans

No objections were made to the following applications

Outline Application for the Construction of an Agricultural Worker's Bungalow and Associated Agricultural Buildings at Part O.S. 26, Green Lane, Thirsk.

Siting of a Residential Caravan for Security Purposes at Yorkshire Meat Packers.

No observations were made on the following applications

Outline Application for the Residential Development at Part O.S. 5968 South Dowber Lane (11.8 acres).

Outline Application for the Residential Development at Part O.S. 5968 South Dowber Lane (5 acres).

It was agreed that the Planning Department should seek the opinion of the Environmental Health Department on the

Siting of a Portaloo at Yorkshire Meat Packers, Station Road.

Accounts

The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Allenby.

Accounts as circulated

Thirsk R. T. Advertiser	- Advertisement for Christmas Lights Tenders	> £ 6.50
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol & Oil for Cemetery	> £ 7.83
P. Smith	- Balance of Increase in Salary backdated to 1.7.78	> £52.75
L. G. Hoppe	- Treating and Painting Seats	> £60.59

Additional Accounts

L. Stuart	- Subscription to Hambleton Sports Council	- £1.00
Thirsk Hall Estate	- Half Years Wayleaves to 5th Oct.	- £ 1.11
P. Crossley	- Map and Reports of Thirsk	- £ 5.00
B. & Collinson	- Tending Mill Gardens and Cutting Grass	> £49.00
Thirsk Museum Society	- Mr. Almack's Fee for mounting plaque	> £ 2.00

Grants

Owen and Arthur Farley	30 G5	£10.00
Eileen Parker	4 A6	£10.00
Violet Turner	31 G5	£20.00
James Matthews	6 A6	£10.00

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that he had received complaints of cyclists on footpaths. New heating is being installed in the Town Hall. The Town Hall Committee had received a grant of £6,800 and each Council had been repaid £1,000. This Council's £1,000 had been paid into the Deposit Account. Complaints had been received about cars parked on the grass verge on Station Road. The Police to be asked to take action.

Any Other Business

Cycle Racks Coun. Megson suggested that cycle racks could be an asset in the town. The Chamber of Trade's opinion to be sought.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

C. K. K.
November 20th 1978

Minutes of a meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Westgate, on Monday, 20th November 1978 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), J. J. Allenby, H. D. Craig, Mrs. M. P. Martin, Mrs. A. M. Wyon, L. Stuart, T. W. Bateman, E. Atkinson, C. J. Megson, E. E.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Allenby, sec. Coun. Atkinson.

Matters Arising

Traffic Plan The Chairman reported on a site meeting attended by representatives of Sowerby Parish Council, the County Council and the Police. A temporary scheme is to be considered and the traffic island will be removed. The census that had shown the Station Road route to be the busiest had been taken in the peak holiday season when a lot of holiday traffic uses that route. Prop. Coun. Megson, sec. Coun. Stott 'that the County Council be informed that this Council sees no advantage in the proposed traffic alterations at Town End.' Voting - 9 in favour - Coun. Stuart abst.

Sub Post Office - Telephone Facilities The Clerk reported that a telephone call had been received from the Telephone Manager's department stating that it is not the policy to site telephone kiosks within half a mile of others. However, a further survey would be undertaken. It was agreed to await a written reply before taking further action.

Open Spaces within Residential Areas Nothing reported.

Speed Limit Letter presented stating that the order would become operative on 31st Oct.

Cobbles It was reported that work on the very bad areas would begin shortly and the larger areas repaired in Spring.

Weight Restriction Nothing reported.

Traffic Problem - Hambleton Estate Coun. Craig reported that a meeting with a County Councillor has been arranged.

Waste Paper Payment still not received.

Parking on the Greens The Chairman reported that the police have been asked to warn offenders regarding parking on the grass.

Christmas Lights It was agreed to ask Sowerby P.C. if they would care to make a contribution towards the cost of the lights.

Cemetery The Chairman reported that Mr. Thompson had recommended that the trees should be felled and the roots treated. Mr. Thompson considered it a job for a specialist. It was agreed to approach the Planning Officer regarding permission to fell the 15 offending trees. Tenders for the work to be invited from Tillhill Forestry and Binks Woodland Services.

Bollard at Corner of Post Office It was reported that the Technical Officer had recommended that permission should not be given for the erection of the bollard.

Parking on Grass Verge Letter presented from the Inspector of Police stating that the parking has now ceased.

Cycle Racks Letter presented stating that the Chamber of Trade is in favour of cycle racks. Letter to be sent to the H.D.C. asking if they will provide racks to be sited around the Market Place.

Correspondence

Northallerton District Community Health Council Parish Newsletter No. 3 presented.

Yorkshire Water Authority Letter presented stating that the existing agreement for metered water at the Cemetery terminates on 31st January 1979 and a new one will come into being on 1st February 1979.

Chamber of Trade Copy of letter sent to the H.D.C. presented, regarding the need for a pelican crossing in the Market Place and the state of the Market Place due to lack of sweeping. It was agreed not to take any action.

Church Service Letter presented from Canon Mainwaring-Taylor inviting members and their husbands and wives to a service in St. Mary's Church at 10.00 a.m. on Sunday, 17th December and afterwards to be entertained by the Royal Artillery Band in the Town Hall.

Commonwealth War Graves Commission Letter presented stating that a recent inspection revealed that horticultural maintenance is not possible at Grave no. CQ 73 - G. H. Horner and payment for that grave will now cease. Future triennial payments will be 10 graves at £0.30 per grave per annum = £9.00 every three years.

Town Hall Letter presented from the Secretary to the Town Hall Committee requesting consideration of an annual grant of £1,000 towards the running and maintenance of the Town Hall. The Clerk stated that this item will be placed on the Agenda of the next meeting.

Cemetery Superintendent Letter presented from Mr. Collinson requesting that a new agreement be drawn up at an early date. The Clerk stated that this item will also be placed on the next Agenda.

Planning Applications

It was agreed to support the application by the H.D.C. for The Construction of Public Conveniences at the Entrance to the Millgate Car Park. It was noted that there was no provision for Caretaker's Accommodation.

It was agreed to object to the application for The Display of an Internally Illuminated Fascia Sign at Sanderson's Garage, Long St.

No objections were made to the following applications:
Alterations and Extensions to Existing Dwellinghouse at 37, Long Street.

Change of Use of Existing Car Showroom, Offices and Filling Station to Retail Shop at 20/22, Market Place.

Extensions to Existing Shop Premises at 65/67, Market Place.

Alterations and Extensions to Existing Fish and Chip Shop and Living Accommodation at 3, Kirkgate.

Use of a Disused Egg Packing Station as a Builders Yard with Storage, Workshop and Office Accommodation at Stockton Road.

Construction of a Car Port at 36. St. Mary's Walk.

Accounts The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Martin, sec. Coun. Atkinson.

As circulated

Yorks. Water Authority	- Water Charges - Cemetery & Lodge	- £ 12.59
Hambleton District Council	- Half Year Rates - Cemetery Lodge	- £ 63.60
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol - Cemetery	- £ 5.84
Coun. Stuart	- Travelling Expenses to P.C.A. Meeting at Easingwold and A.G.M. at York	- £ 8.40
Coun. Kirk	- 2 Lampholder Harnesses for Christmas Lights and 100 Replacement Bulbs	- £177.48
Coun. Kirk	- Re-imbursement of cost of Wallflowers for Market Place troughs	- £ 2.10

Any Other Business

Tree Planting Coun. Wyon agreed to obtain 3 Rowans to be planted in The Holmes.

Next Meeting It was agreed that the next meeting, which is to be held on 11th Dec., should commence at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

[Signature] December 11th 1978

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Thirsk on Monday, 11th December 1978 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), H. D. Craig, J. J. Allenby, L. Stuart, C. J. Mages
T. W. Bateman, E. R. Stott, Mrs. A. M. Wyon + 1 Member of the Public.
Apologies Coun. Mrs. M. P. Martin.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Allenby, sec. Coun. Stuart.

Matters Arising

Traffic Plan Nothing reported.

Telephone Facilities Letter presented from the Telephone Manager stating that it would not be possible to provide a further kiosk as there are already 2 kiosks within half a mile of each other. It would not be possible to move one of the other kiosks because of the cost involved and the possible loss of revenue. It was agreed to reply to the Telephone Manager that the Town Council is very disappointed with his reply and hope that further consideration will be given. It was also agreed to request a meeting on site.

Open Spaces within Residential Areas Nothing reported.

Weight Restriction Nothing reported.

Traffic Problem - Hambleton Estate Coun. Craig stated that a meeting between the County Councillor, representatives of the H.D.C. Planning Committee, the Police and the Action Group will take place in January 1979.

Waste Paper Paymnet not yet received.

Christmas Lights Reply awaited from Sowerby Parish Council.

Cemetery The Clerk reported that a reply from the Planning Officer is still awaited because of this, tenders for the felling of the trees had not yet been invited.

Cycle Racks Reply from the Hambleton District awaited.

Town Hall The request for an annual grant of £1,000 towards the running and maintenance of the Town Hall was considered. Prop. Coun. Kirk, sec. Coun. Stott 'that no action be taken until after the A.G.M. of the Town Hall Committee has taken place, a balance sheet has been presented and a joint meeting with Sowerby Parish Council has been held.' Agreed. It was agreed to make provision of £500 in the revenue estimates.

Cemetery Superintendent The request by the Cemetery Superintendent for a new agreement was considered. It was agreed that the Cemetery Sub Committee would meet Mr. Collinson and report back to the next meeting.

Flatts Preservation Trust Letter presented stating that the Treasurer estimates that £700 will be needed for the running and maintenance of the Play Park, Sports Field and Changing Rooms in the next financial year. Sowerby Parish Council was also being approached. It was agreed to make provision of £500 in the revenue estimates.

Revenue Estimates 1979/80 The Clerk gave a financial report. Prop. Coun. Allenby, sec. Coun. Stuart 'to precept £5,000 in addition to the balance of £2,500 owing to the H.D.C. on the purchase of the Town Hall.' Agreed.

Notice of Motion Prop. Coun. Allenby 'to discuss the putting of tarmacadam on the Green in front of the Lord Nelson Hotel and the parking of a caravan there. It was agreed that this is in contravention of the byelaws and that a letter be sent to the owner of the Lord Nelson asking him to remove the caravan and tarmacadam and restore the Green.

Correspondence

Vandalised Lighting - Mill Gardens Letter presented from the Technical Officer H.D.C. asking who is responsible for the lamps in the Mill Gardens that have been vandalised. It was agreed that these are the responsibility of the Town Council and that they should be restored, disconnected and left as only ornamental.

Larger Councils Forum Letter presented giving notice of the forum which is to take place on 23rd January 1979. It was agreed that the Town Council will not be represented.

Parish Government Course Letter presented giving preliminary notice of the Parish Government Course at Scarborough on 6th/8th April 1979.

Public Transport Plans Letter presented from the Yorkshire and Cleveland L.C.A. asking for ideas on Public Transport (passenger) which could be put forward by the representatives at the next Branch Meeting. It was agreed that the use of Post Buses should be considered and the reason for increased costs and deteriorating service investigated.

Suggested Pelican Crossing - Long Street Letter presented from the County Surveyor stating that the numbers of pedestrians crossing Long Street would not justify the Zebra Crossing being converted to a Pelican. In view of the development taking place to the East of Long Street, the existing Zebra Crossing would be retained.

Plans No objections were made to the following Planning Applications:

Alterations and Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse and Construction of a Detached Domestic Garage at 28, Kirkgate.

Change of Use of Land from Open Space to Domestic at Rear of 1 - 27, Tranwire Close.

Accounts The following Accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Stuart,
sec. Coun. Craig

Accounts as circulated

Regal British Legion	- Wreath for Remembrance Day	- £ 4.80
J. E. Thompson	- Cutting The Holmes (Sept.)	- £ 32.40
M. G. Collinson	- Salary Oct. - Dec.	£330.00
	" B.B. Clerical Wk.	£ 15.00
	Dividend	£ 4.25
P. Smith	- Salary Oct. - Dec.	£168.75
	Administrative Expenses	£ 9.33
Municipal Mutual Insurance	- Ins. Cover for Christmas Lights	- £ 10.00

Miscellaneous Account

Whire Motors	- Petrol - Cemetery	- £ 2.92
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Chairman's Report The Chairman reported that the Wrightson Charity money would be distributed by Coun. Craig and Coun. Stuart.

Other Business

Life Swan Yard It was agreed to ask the Hambleton District Council to provide a wall light in the passageway.

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.

C. K. K. K.
15/1/79

Minutes of a Meeting of the Cemetery Sub Committee with the Cemetery Superintendent, held at Cemetery Lodge on Wednesday, 10th January 1979 at 2.00 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk, T. W. Bateman, Mr. D. G. Collinson and the Clerk.
Coun. Craig was unable to attend.

Cemetery Superintendent's Contract It was recommended that a new contract is drawn up and that the amount paid to Mr. Collinson for the work as Cemetery Superintendent and the Burial Board Clerical Work be £2,000 per year.

It was also recommended that a clause be added to the contract under which Mr. Collinson will undertake the maintenance of the Mill Gardens and grass cutting on the Greens for £200 per year.

Garden of Rest The Chairman asked Mr. Collinson to submit a price to curb round the area for the Garden of Rest and bring up the grass to lawn standard.

Grass Mats. Mr. Collinson requested a new set of grass mats for use at funerals.

The meeting ended at 2.45 p.m.

E. H. H. H. 15/1/79

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, on Monday, 15th January 1979 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), H. D. Craig, E. Atkinson, C. J. Megson, T. W. Bateman, L. Stuart, Mrs. A. M. Wyon, Mrs. M. P. Martin.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Stuart, sec. Coun. Craig.

Matters Arising

Traffic Plan Nothing reported.

Telephone Facilities Coun. Craig reported that at a site meeting with Mr. Bell, the Telephone Sales Superintendent, willingness had been expressed to have the telephone kiosk from Hambleton Drive moved to the junction of Hambleton Place and Dowber Way, subject to the approval of the Post Office Authorities. A letter from Mr. Bell is awaited. It was agreed to request a post box to be sited also at the junction of Hambleton Place and Dowber Way.

Open Spaces within Residential Areas Nothing reported.

Weight Restriction Nothing reported

Traffic Problem - Hambleton Estate Coun. Craig reported that the meeting had been postponed because of the bad weather.

Waste Paper It was agreed to ask the advice of the P.C.A regarding the recovery of payment for the paper.

Christmas Lighting Letter presented from Sowerby P.C. stating that a contribution of £100 will be forthcoming.

Cemetery - Trees Letter presented from the Planning Officer stating that there is no objection to the felling of the 15 poplar trees. It was agreed that the tenders which are to be received by the Clerk by noon on 30th January, can be considered by the Cemetery Sub Committee on that day.

Cycle Racks The Clerk had received a telephone call from the Environmental Health Officer but no written reply.

Town Hall Nothing reported.

Lord Nelson Hotel It was reported that the caravan has been removed.

Vandalised Lighting - Mill Gardens Nothing reported.

White Swan Yard Letter presented from the Technical Officer stating that the H.D.C.'s allocation for additional lights for the current year has already been committed but the request will be borne in mind in the coming financial year.

Cemetery Sub Committee Meeting The meeting had taken place on Wednesday 10th Jan.

Cemetery Superintendent's Contract It was recommended that a new contract be drawn up and that the amount paid to Mr. Collinson for his work as Cemetery Superintendent and Burial Board Registrar be £2,000 per year. It was also recommended that a clause be added to the contract under which Mr. Collinson will undertake the maintenance of the Mill Gardens and grass cutting on the Greens for £200 per year.

Prop. Coun. Kirk, sec. Coun. Wyon 'to accept the recommendations and for the new contract to come into operation on 1st April 1979.' Agreed. It was agreed that a clause should be added stipulating that any future increase would be subject to the cost of living index.

Garden of Rest The Chairman had asked Mr. Collinson to submit a price to kerb round the area for the Garden of Rest and bring up the grass to lawn standard.

Grass Mats Mr. Collinson had requested a new set of grass mats for use at funerals. It was agreed that these should be purchased.

Play Equipment Report received from Chas. Wicksteed stating that a recent inspection had shown that new swing seats will be required within the next 12 months. The other equipment is in satisfactory condition. It was agreed to order 4 Flat Plastic Swing Seats.

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Correspondence

Yorkshire Arts Association Letter presented stating that the Annual Subscription is due. It was agreed to renew the £5.00 subscription.

Transfer of Licence Notice presented of the intention of John McGrath to apply for the transfer of the licence at Austin Reeds.

Planning Appeal Notice presented that Pollards (Thirsk) Ltd are appealing against the refusal of their application for Alterations to an Existing Storage Building to form a Vehicular Access to Millgate. Voting was 4 in favour of supporting the appeal with 3 Abstentions.

Naming of Streets and Numbering of Houses Letter presented from the Planning Office regarding a suggestion that there would be considerable advantage in securing the effective naming and numbering of properties in towns and villages in the Hambleton District. It was agreed that the arrangement in Thirsk is generally satisfactory with the exception of the Hambleton Estate which is very confusing.

Town and Country Planning Act 1971, Section 210 Confirmation of Hambleton District Council (Thirsk) Public Path Diversion Order No.1 1977, No. 4 1977, and Public Path Stopping Up Order No. 2 1977 and No. 3 1977 presented to the meeting.

Plans.

No observations were made on the following applications:

Construction of a Covered Storage and Loading Area at 1, Sutton Road.

Increase of Number of Vehicles to operate from Site from 2 to 6 Units and Trailers in connection with Road Haulage Business at land adjoining The Hollies, York Road.

Display of a Non Illuminated Sign at 27, Westgate.

Support was given to the following application:

Outline Application for Residential Development at the former Egg Packing Station and O.S. 2079 Stockton Road.

Accounts

The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Wyon,
sec. Coun. Atkinson.

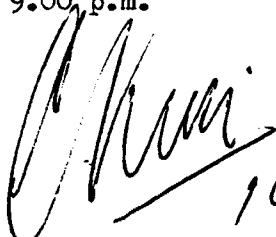
4A Electrical Services	- Christmas Lighting as per estimate	- \ £273.35
	+ extras	
Coun. Kirk	- 200 Coloured Lamps for Christmas	- \ £ 97.20
	Lighting	
Yorks. Arts Association	- Subscription	- \ £ 5.00

Chairman's Report The Chairman reported that he had received complaints about the lack of snow clearance on the paths around Thirsk. It was agreed that many of the complaints were without reason.

Any Other Business

Light - Town End It was reported that a cover had fallen off one of the sodium lights at Town End. The Clerk agreed to contact the N.Y.C.C. Lighting Department.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.


19/2/79

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, Thirsk on Monday, 19th February 1979 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), H. D. Craig, J. J. Allenby, C. J. Megson, E. R. Sto T. W. Bateman, L. Stuart, Mrs. A. M. Wyon + 3 Members of the Public.
Apologies Couns. Mrs. M. P. Martin, E. Atkinson.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Megson, sec. Coun. Stuart.

Matters Arising

Telephone and Post Box Facilities Letter presented from the Telephone Sales Manager confirming the report given by Coun. Craig at the last meeting and stating that the decision depended on the N.E.E.B. being able to provide lighting to the provisionally agreed new site. Letter presented from the Head Postmaster stating that having surveyed the area of the existing Hambleton Estate and having taken a count of the number of items posted in the existing Hambleton Place box the provision of an additional box cannot be justified at present. When further development takes place in the area to the north of Dowber Way, the situation will be reviewed again.

Open Spaces within Residential Areas Nothing reported.

Weight Restriction Nothing reported.

Traffic Problem - Hambleton Estate Nothing reported.

Waste Paper The Secretary, L.C.A., had advised a personal approach by the Vice Chairman to recover the money, followed by the threat of legal action.

Christmas Lighting Contribution of £100.00 received from Sowerby Parish Council.

Cycle Racks Nothing reported.

Lord Nelson Hotel Letter presented from the landlord's solicitor stating that he does not consider that the byelaws had been contravened. It was agreed to ask the Planning Officer's opinion of the tarmacadam.

Vandalised Lighting - Mill Gardens Nothing reported.

Cemetery Superintendent's Contract It was reported that this will be signed at the next meeting.

Garden of Rest Price not yet submitted.

Grass Mats The new set had been obtained. It was agreed that they could be loaned out providing that a charge is made.

Play Equipment Letter presented from the Secretary H.D.C. regarding Improved Safety in Children's Playgrounds and enclosing a copy of an Annex submitted by the Dept. of the Environment giving detailed guidance about a programme of measures which local authorities are asked to consider.

Numbering of Houses It was felt that further consideration of the Hambleton Estate should be given at a later date.

Tenders for Felling 15 Poplar Trees at the Cemetery At a meeting of the Cemetery Sub-Committee on 30th January, three tenders had been considered.

1. £85.00 2. £370.00 + V.A.T. 3. £648.00 + V.A.T.

Tender No. 1 from Mr. S. Grainger of Topcliffe had been accepted. The Chairman stated that the work has been completed in a satisfactory manner.

Correspondence

Waste Disposal - Licensing of Tipping Sites Letter presented regarding tipping sites. As there are none within the parish boundary this did not apply.

Chamber of Trade Letter presented from the Secretary, Chamber of Trade, regarding Xmas Lighting and the Hanging Flower Baskets. It was agreed to request a meeting with the Chamber of Trade to discuss these matters.

Parking - The Green Letter presented from Mr. A. Johnson, 39, The Green, regarding the parking of a large van outside his house. It appeared that the owner of the van had declined to move it unless a resident of Stammergate moved an old ambulance which is parked on the Green. It was agreed to write to the owner of the ambulance requesting him not to park there.

OK.

Cemetery Letter presented from Mrs. F. E. Browne regarding 2 adjacent plots, A6 19 and A6 20, purchased in the Cemetery for her mother, Mrs. F. J. Ward, and her stepfather, Mr. S. Ward. Mrs. Ward had been buried in plot A6 19 and it was intended that Mr. Ward would be buried in plot A6 20 but it was found on the day of his funeral that Mr. Ward was also to be buried in A6 19, originally a single grave. Mrs. Browne stated that the grave was extremely shallow and that it had been Mr. Ward's wish to be buried at the side of his wife. The Cemetery Superintendent had stated that his workman had opened up plot A6 19 and the mistake had been discovered only one hour before the funeral was due to take place. Mrs. Browne told the Clerk that she had given the correct instructions to the undertaker who had passed them on to the Cemetery Superintendent. The Clerk reported that she had sought the advice of the Secretary, Local Councils Association as to what action could be taken and was awaiting an opinion from the Association's Legal Department.

Plans

The Chairman and Vice Chairman had made no objections to the following plans:-
Alterations to Disused Former Dwelling and Store to form Dwellinghouse with Domestic Garage at 15, Millgate.

Outline Application (Revised) for Residential Development at the Former Egg Packing Station and Part O.S. 2079, Stockton Road.

Extension to Existing Squash Courts at Newsham Road.

Application for Change of Use of a Bookmakers Office to a workshop for the Restoration of Antique Furniture at 17 & 19, Millgate was discussed at the meeting and 2 Letters of Objection were presented. Prop. Coun. Stott, sec. Coun. Allenby 'to support the objections'. On an amendment Prop. Coun. Megson, sec. Coun. Wyon 'to allow the plan to go through'. Voting for the amendment was 4 in favour, 3 against.

Accounts The following accounts were presented and approved Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Allenby

As Circulated

M. K. Tennant	- Artificial Grass Grave Set	- \ £53.14
L. Stuart	- Travelling Expenses to L.C.A. Meeting at Easingwold	- \ £ 2.40

Additional Accounts

S. Grainger	- Felling Cemetery Trees	- \ £85.00
Chas. Wicksteed	- 4 Swing Seats	- \ £22.85

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that Mr. F. Barber has been appointed part-time caretaker at the Town Hall. All bookings should be made through him at Thirsk 22006. The A.G.M. of the Town Hall has been fixed for 12th March. Mr. & Mrs. Millard have offered a mature horse chestnut tree and members have been asked to consider suitable sites in time for the next meeting.

Any Other Business

Concessionary Fares Prop. Coun. Megson sec. Coun. Wyon 'That this Council seeks the support of the Local Councils Association for the following resolution 'That Central Government be urged to introduce a National Concessionary Bus Fare Travel Scheme for the benefit of Senior Citizens and the Disabled similar to the one now operating on British Rail'.

Rutex It was agreed that the N.Y.C.C. and the Area Health Authority be requested to extend the period for the Rutex Service beyond the present time limit until the National Assessment has been taken, insofar as the area in which it now operates.

Footpath - Little Green to the Steppings

It was agreed to write to Mr. Woods asking if consideration can be given to the making up of the footpath from the Little Green to the Steppings - a distance of approximately 30 yards.

Flatts Preservation Trust Coun. Craig and Coun. Stuart reported on a meeting attended by the H.D.C. Recreation Officer and Mr. Clark of the Planning Office at which future development of the Flatts was discussed.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

[Signature] 19/3/79

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, in Annual Assembly, held in the Court House, on Monday, 19th March 1979 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), H. D. Craig, J. J. Allenby, Mrs. M. P. Martin, Mrs. A. M. Wyon, E. Atkinson, C. J. Megson, E. R. Stott, the Clerk,
1 member of the Press and 1 member of the Public.

Apologies Coun. T. W. Bateman. It was agreed that a letter be sent to Coun. Bateman wishing him a speedy recovery from his illness.

Minutes The Clerk read the Minutes of the 1978 Annual Assembly to the meeting.

Chairman's Report The Chairman highlighted the purchase of the Town Hall as the main expenditure of the year, the balance of which is being repaid to the Hambleton District Council this year. The problem with the Town Hall's heating system has been rectified, a new part-time caretaker has been employed and a new secretary to the Town Hall Committee has been appointed. A new committee has been formed with a representation of 3 members from both Councils. Fifteen poplar trees which had been causing problems at the Cemetery have been felled.

Reports from the School Managers

Thirsk County Infant School Coun. Martin reported on the happy atmosphere in the school. The main concern is the closure of the Infant School and the transfer to the new Primary School with the same headteacher, Mrs. Snowden. It was agreed to write to the Education Authority expressing the hope that the new school will be named Thirsk Primary School.

County Junior School Coun. Wyon reported on the school's sporting successes. Concern is felt in the school that classes are larger than the National recommendation.

All Saints' School Mrs. Greensit reported on the success of the children in swimming, cycling proficiency and in the Road Safety Competition.

Charities Coun. Craig reported that a total of £43.00 had been distributed at Christmas. A balance sheet would be forthcoming.

Any Other Business

Parking - The Green Mr. Johnson of No. 39, The Green requested that action be taken regarding the parking of a large van outside his house.

Town Clock Coun. Stott was thanked for his attention to the Town Clock.

The meeting closed at 7.58 p.m.

[Signature] April 9th 1979

Abstract of Accounts

Year Ended 31st March 1979

General

	£
Credit Balance 1.4.78	759.27
Deposit Account Interest	66.05
Refund of V.A.T.	84.55
Donation to Christmas Lighting	100.00
Sale of Street Plans	2.50
Half Balance of Joint a/c of Thirsk & Sowerby P.C.'s	31.58
Repayment of Part Purchase Price of Town Hall	1000.00
Precept	2500.00

4543.95

	£
Salary	622.25
Christmas Lighting	548.03
Open Spaces	788.56
Subscriptions and Donations	67.30
Insurances	20.59
Estimated cost of Street Sweeping to 31.3.79	811.76
Trophies from Jubilee	
Fund Balance	116.35
Entertaining the R.H.A.	62.89
Audit Fee	69.12
Administration	146.25
Balance	1290.85

4543.95

Burial Board

	£
Credit Balance 1.4.78	2589.54
Refund of V.A.T.	13.12
Dividends	18.00
Burial Board Income	555.05
Investment at Bank	200.00

3375.71

	£
Salary	1398.00
Insurance	30.08
Fuel for Mowers	46.35
Fee for Faculty	19.80
Grass Mats	53.14
Felling Trees	85.00
Rates and Water	
Charges	159.55
Balance of Investments	200.00
Balance	1383.79

3375.71

Summary

	£
General Account	1290.85
Burial Board Account	1383.79

2674.64

	£
Current Account less Outstanding Cheque	990.81
Deposit Account	1483.83
Investments	200.00

2674.64

In regards to the Infants School
I have nothing much to
report at present.

As you know the
most important thing at
the moment is about the
New School.

If all goes as expected
the "Infants" will close end
of Summer Term, & the
New School will open in
Sept of this year.

There will be round 280 in
to go from the Infants to start
with.

✓ M^{rs} Snowden will still
be Head mistress. I am
pleased to say, all the
children always seemed
happy in work, in the classroom,
also in play, & feel she is
the right person for the job.
All the other staff will
be chosen in the next month
or 2, I hope the New School
will continue in its good work.
We are hoping the Infants School
will be put to use in the future,
it would be a shame to lose
such a useful Building. I think
that is all I have to say
at present. Thanks for
M^{rs} Martin

Report from Thrush County Junior School.

March 19th '79

In Jan 79 there were 435 children on the roll, as compared with 413 in Jan '78. which meant the classes were too big, none under 32 & one as near to 39. This situation is somewhat eased by an extra part-time teacher who is ~~set~~ now full-time, but the National Policy is to restrict classes to 32, sending home each day any children above that number. This was thought to be quite unfair to the pupils; however a letter was sent from the Managers (to the County Education Officer) stating their concern at the very serious situation & asking for the matter to be looked into with a possibility of an additional teacher being allocated to Thrush Junior School.

It is reassuring to learn that in Nov. 78. there was a Fire Practice & the

Whole of the main school was evacuated
in 1 min. 54 sec. - a great credit to the
headmaster & staff

The school should have reopened on
Jan 9th but there were oil shortages due
to the Haulage Drivers strike, which
postponed the start of term until Jan 18th.

For the record, there was a one-day ^{caretakers}
strike four days later & I think our
headmaster is to be congratulated for the
excellent communication he kept up with
parents throughout this very difficult start to 1979.

I am happy to report that the Parent Teachers
Association is still very active & in Feb.
this year they organised a successful meeting
for Mothers & Daughters on the subject of
"Growing Up."

In Sport the School continued to do
well & in June last year they won the
Shield at the first District Swimming Gala
at Thirk which teams from 9 schools took part.
Later in the summer the following A.T.A. Successes
in personal survival were achieved -

5 gold awards, 21 silver, 32 Bronze
Educational visits were made to the Open Air
Museum at Beamish, Cow Green Reservoir & High Force,
Bolton Abbey Nature Trail & Ravenscar.

Anthonyon

Managers Report on All Saints' School. Green Lane East.

The school has had a successful year under the leadership of Mrs Rushton - Headmistress & her staff of two full-time teachers & 1 part-time teacher (4th part.)

There are 90 children on the register, approximately $\frac{1}{3}$ from Northallerton.

About 20 children have lessons for viola, violin or cello from Mr Wright - the Peripatetic Music Teacher - we make a classroom available for this & also for a group from the Junior School who come weekly for their lesson from Mr Wright.

Many children take tests in swimming for their medals & certificates. They also do well in the Cycle Proficiency Test, under the tuition of Mr Elders. The highlight of the year was the success in the Road Safety Competition for the Woodhead & Bray Trophy.

"All Saints" gained 2nd place & were delighted with their trophy.

An enjoyable show & Nativity Play was performed at Christmas, every child in the school took part, and a high standard of music & poetry was reached.

The top class had an interesting outing to York.

"Charity-Work" plays an important part in the school life, and after the Harvest Festival the fruit etc was divided into three baskets, these were taken to Outton House, Cherry Garth, & the Lambert Hospital.

Many other charities are supported one of them the "Tumbalance". These are special coaches which are fitted out for the disabled.

Dear all the children for at school in

On the many occasions when I visit the school I am always impressed by the relaxed & happy atmosphere, & I always feel welcome.

Signed - Kathleen Greenish -
The Horsebox,
3. A. Sarty Way
Thirsk.

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, on Monday, 19th March 1979 at 8.00 p.m.

Present Couns. C. Kirk (Chairman), H. D. Craig, J. J. Allenby, Mrs. M. P. Martin, Mrs. A. M. Wyon, E. Atkinson, C. J. Megson, E. R. Stott.
Apologies Coun. T. W. Bateman.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Allenby.

Matters Arising

Telephone and Post Box Facilities A plan of the proposed new site for the kiosk was presented and no objections were made.

Weight Restriction Nothing reported.

Traffic Problem - Hambleton Estate Nothing reported.

Waste Paper It was agreed that a letter should be sent, by recorded delivery, stating that if payment is not forthcoming, legal action will be taken.

Lord Nelson Hotel Letter presented from the Planning Officer stating that he has written to the landlord of the Lord Nelson indicating that planning permission is necessary for the putting down of tarmac and that he is investigating the desirability and financial implications of carrying out improvements to that part of The Green which would be more in keeping with traditional surfacing.

Vandalised Lighting - Mill Gardens Letter presented from N.E.E.B. stating that the lamps have now been disconnected from the supply.

Garden of Rest Nothing reported.

Parking - The Green It was reported that the ambulance has been removed. The owner of the van is still parking it outside No. 39, The Green, despite verbal and written requests to park only outside his own residence. It was agreed to ask the police to request its removal.

Cemetery Copy of a letter from the Legal Department of the Local Council's Association presented stating that the circumstances of the case are such that it should be possible to obtain a faculty which would permit the exhumation of the body from Grave space A6 19 and the re-interment in Grave space A6 20. It was also pointed out that Schedule 2 of the Local Authorities' Cemeteries Order 1977 states that 'no part of the coffin should be less than three feet below the level of any ground adjoining the grave.' The Clerk reported that application was being made to the Diocesan Registrar for the granting of a faculty and that a fee of £19.80 was due on lodging the application.

Cemetery Fees The Clerk reported that enquiries had been received with regard to the rate of Burial Fees for residents of Cherry Garth who are former residents of Thirsk. Prop. Coun. Megson, sec. Coun. Martin 'that the Rules of the Cemetery be amended to allow single burial fees to be charged for former residents of Thirsk who die whilst resident at Cherry Garth, the Lambert Hospital and Abbeyfield.' Agreed.

Concessionary Fares Letter presented from the L.C.A. stating that the resolution will appear on the agenda of the next meeting.

Rutex Letter presented from the District Administrator of the Area Health Authority stating that the Town Council's request will be taken into consideration when the Rutex Transport Service is discussed.

Footpath - Little Green to the Steppings Letter presented from Mr. Woods stating that the County Council do not maintain the roadway past Todds entrance and that although a public right of way exists this may not necessarily be paved. Mr. Woods offered to attend a site meeting to re-appraise the situation if the Town Council wished. The Chairman agreed to approach Mr. Todd with a view to asking if he will make up the area.

Cemetery Superintendent's Contract The new contract was signed and will come into effect on 1st April 1979.

C.K.

- Meeting with the Chamber of Trade The Chairman reported on the meeting which had been attended by 5 members of the Town Council and 1 member of Sowerby Parish Council. The following was agreed:
1. Flower Baskets to be hung again and watered either by the Road Sweeper or volunteers from the Chamber of Trade and Town Council.
 2. Lighting - Christmas Two members from the two Councils and Chamber of Trade to view the decorations and decide a plan of lighting.
 3. Street Plan A new Street Plan with more information of local bodies etc. for 1980.

Correspondence

Planning Appeal Letters presented from the Department of the Environment and the Secretary H.D.C. stating that the appeal by Pollards (Thirsk) Ltd has been dismissed.

Transfer of Licence Notice presented that Jackie Clements intends to apply for the transfer of the licence of Pandora's Club.

Election Notice presented that nomination papers must be received by the Secretary H.D.C. by 12.00 noon on 5th April.

Audit The Clerk reported that the audit will take place on 8th May.

Plans The following Planning Applications were presented and no objections were made.

- Outline Application for the Construction of a Dwellinghouse and Domestic Garage at Part Field OS 209 Station Road.
- Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse at 41, Station Road.
- Renewal of Consent for a Workshop in Connection with a Joinery Manufacturing Business at 2, Sutton Road.
- Construction of a Retail Shop with First Floor Living Accommodation at Royal Oak Hotel Yard.
- Alterations and Extensions to Existing Retail Shop and Storage Area to include the demolition of Existing Outbuildings at 9 - 11, Kirkgate.

Accounts The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Wyon, sec. Coun. Martin.

Accounts as circulated

William Potts and Sons Ltd	- Maintenance of Town Clock	-	£ 19.71
Hambleton District Council	- Street Sweeping 1978/79 less credit for year 1977/78	-	£ 811.76
P. Smith	- Salary - January - March	£ 168.75	
	Administrative Expenses	£ 12.55	- £ 181.30
D. G. Collinson	- Salary - January - March	£ 330.00	
	B. B. Clerical Work	£ 15.00	
	Dividend	£ 4.75	- £ 349.75

Additional Accounts

The Post Office	- Motor Tax - Haytor Mower	-	£ 8.50
G. P. Knowles Diocesan Registrar	- Fee on lodging application for a faculty	-	£ 19.80

Burial Grants

Freda Parson	8 C1	£ 10.00
James Murray	2 A6	£ 10.00
Clara Elizabeth Wood	21 A5	£ 10.00

Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that a complaint had been received about the state of the Ladies' Toilets. Letter to be sent to the H.D.C. It was agreed that a letter be sent to James Herriott congratulating him on receiving the O.B.E. It was agreed that the chestnut tree be planted in April. Coun. Megson suggested a suitable site in The Holmes. A commemorative service is to be held in St. Mary's Church on 22nd April attended by American Servicemen visiting Topcliffe Barracks. It was agreed that hospitality should be offered to them in the Town Hall after the service and march past. Two members of the Council were required to serve on the Town Hall Committee. It was agreed that Coun. Martin and Coun. Craig should be the representatives.

The meeting ended at 9.20 p.m.

April 9th 1979

[Signature]