

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 23rd April 1990 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. Mrs. F. M. Roberts (Chairman), D. E. Loveden, J. Bell, D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, R. S. Hall, J. M. Salmon, P. E. J. Benson + 1 Member of the Public.

Apologies for Absence accepted from Coun. A. J. Davison (away on business).

Minutes The Minutes of the Annual Assembly and of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Loveden.

Matters Arising from the Annual Assembly

Site for a Community Centre - East Thirsk Nothing reported. A meeting called by the E.T.C.A., to which members had been invited, has been cancelled.

Sign - Megson Place A letter from the Chief Planner's department stated that the sign will be replaced in the near future.

Matters Arising from the Council Meeting

Crossings - Long Street Nothing reported.

Salem Chapel Planning permission has been granted for the demolition of the Chapel.

Recreation Land Nothing reported.

Thirsk Post Office - Posting Box A letter from Post Office Counters Ltd stated that a request had been made to Royal Mail Letters to resite the existing Post Box outside the former Post Office but the request had been refused on the grounds that a pillar box was within reasonable distance from the new office. Coun. Murkett stated that the District Council have requested its removal.

Heavy Traffic through Thirsk Members were reminded of the meeting to be held on 2nd May.

C.A.P.E. Scheme Letter received from the Chief Planner stating that a grant of £90.00 is being offered towards the cost of fixing the wall copings in Mill Gardens subject to certain conditions. Contractors to be invited to quote for the work.

Trees - The Holmes The Chairman reported that the tree planting has taken place.

Gipsy Site Mr. Burnett unable to attend this meeting but will be present at the Annual meeting on 21st May to discuss the gipsy site.

Financing of Local Government - Parish Precepts A letter from William Hague M.P., stated that he also would like to see some changes to the current arrangements for the Community Charge and will see that the views of Thirsk Town Council about the allocation of business rates are represented to ministers.

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Skipton Bridge A letter from Mr. G. Littleboy stated that when he suggested traffic lights for Skipton Bridge some years ago, it was turned down by the police on the grounds that the approach from the East, down the hill, would become dangerous in frosty weather if the lights were at red.

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group Letter received stating that the inaugural meeting will now be held on 15th May at 7.00 p.m. in the upper room of the Town Hall.

Recreational Provision at the East of Thirsk A meeting to discuss this has been arranged for 10.00 a.m. on 27th April at Stone Cross.

Boundary Review This Council will meet informally on 24th May to look at the boundary maps.

Paved Area - Market Place A letter from the Chief Planner's department stated that Mr. Nelson, the greengrocer concerned, has been requested to ensure that his operations are confined to the private area under his control.

Library Wall A letter from the Trustees of Thirsk Infants School Charity stated that a copy of this Council's letter has been forwarded to the County Librarian for him to deal with the matter.

Sub Committee Reports

Christmas Lights Coun. Loveden reported on the meeting with the Chamber of Trade at which it had been agreed that the Town Council and Chamber of Trade should each be interdependent of the other but work together towards a common theme. It was started that collecting boxes for donations towards the Christmas Lights are now in shops in the town.

Cemetery The Chairman reported on the meeting with Mr. Barr where it had been agreed that, because the rates on Cemetery Lodge were the responsibility of the Council but the Council cannot pay Mr. Barr's Community Charge, he should this year be given the amount of the 1989/90 rates (£402) as part of his remuneration - paid monthly. This to be reviewed annually. It had been agreed to consider replacing the existing large gates leading into Wetlands Lane with a kissing gate and to extend the wall. Mr. Barr had been asked to obtain prices. A letter to be sent to Mr. Barr confirming this and reminding him of other matters raised at the meeting.

Casual Vacancy A bye-election not having been called, the vacancy to be filled by co-option. Five candidates had put their names forward: Mr. G. R. Snape, Mr. B. W. Garthwaite, Mr. A. Robinson, Mr. J. M. Potter, Mr. S. I. Clements. Voting - Mr. Snape 1 - Mr. Potter 2 - Mr. Clements 5. Having a majority over the aggregate vote of the other candidates, Mr. S. I. Clements was co-opted.

Governing Body: Thirsk County Primary School A letter from the County Education Officer requested a new representative on the Governing Body following Councillor Craig's resignation. Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that Coun. Bell be appointed'. Agreed; subject to the approval of Bagby and Balk and Hillside Parish Councils.

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Correspondence

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Miss A. Rennison and Peter Malone to apply for the transfer of the Justices Licence in respect of Presto, 26, Market Place, Thirsk.

Play Equipment - The Holmes An Engineer's Report, on behalf of Municipal Mutual Insurance, stated that the condition of the play equipment is in order and no action is required.

Yorkshire Day Letter received stating that this year's Yorkshire Day celebrations, on 1st August, will be held at Skipton. This Council's Civic Head is invited to be present or represented. In order to make the event self-financing it is necessary to ask for a financial contribution which has been fixed at £25.00 per authority for a maximum of 3 representatives. It was agreed to make a decision at the May meeting.

National Rivers Authority Copy of an advertisement of the Authority's services, which appeared in the Darlington & Stockton Times, presented.

Planning Decisions

2/89/152/0115E Mrs. W. Strom Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/90/152/0391 Alterations to Existing Workshop to Form 2 Dwellings at Steads Yard for H. Woodhead.
Recommend Approval.

2/90/152/0027H Construction of a Commercial Vehicle Garage at 29 - 33, Westgate for Calverts Carpets.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0303C Use of Part of Existing Fish and Chip Shop as a Separate Hot Food Take-Away Shop at 21, Millgate for Hamid R. Amir.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0016D Alterations to Existing Shop Front at 51 - 55, Market Place for Foxs of Thirsk and Fox News.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0114A Extension to Existing Golf Course at Land to the West of Present Golf Course for Thirsk and Northallerton Golf Club.
Recommend Approval.

2/90/152/0387 Amended Plans for 66, 66A, & 68 Market Place for F. & A. W. Knowles.
Recommend Approval.

2/90/152/0388A Provision of a New Shop Front at 21, Millgate for Mr. T. A. Schofield.
Recommend Approval.

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2/90/152/310B

Alterations to Existing Post Office to Form 6 Shop
Units for Post Office Counters Ltd.

The sub committee requested more information
regarding the upper storey and commented on the
windows and signage.

The plans for the Post Office were examined again in conjunction with the suggestion that the bus shelter should be demolished and a new one erected on an alternative site. It was stated that a modest contribution towards the cost of a replacement bus shelter may be available from the Post Office if it is erected on a site acceptable to them. The Town Council would be expected to make a contribution in the region of £4,000. Members were not happy with the plans for the Post Office.

Coun. Salmon reported that the plans have been recommended by the Planning Officers for approval at the April Planning Meeting despite the fact that they were advertised for comments to be received by 14th May. It was agreed to write to the Chief Planner requesting that the Post Office plans, the bus shelter and the posting box be placed on the agenda for discussion at the Conservation Advisory Group Meeting. Members agreed that the bus shelter should not be demolished until agreement has been reached regarding a replacement and that those wishing to have the shelter removed should make a considerable contribution towards the new one. As there has been disagreement with the District Council regarding ownership of the bus shelter it was agreed that it should be accepted by this Council. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that this Council accepts the ownership of the bus shelter.' Voting - 7 in Favour - 1 Abstention. It was agreed to request a meeting between representatives of this Council, District Council officers and Post Office representatives to discuss the bus shelter, before the date of the Conservation Area Advisory Group meeting.

Accounts The following Accounts were presented for payment and approved. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Murkett.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - April -	- £355.50✓
	including approved increase +	
	payment in lieu of rates.	
Yorks. Water	- Water Charges - Cem. Lodge - ½ yr	- £ 75.56✓
Power Point	- Hire of Chain Saw - purchase of oil	- £ 10.04✓
Yorks. R.C.C.	- Subscription	- £ 10.00✓
Yorks. L.C.A.	- Subscription	£154.00
	L. C. Review	3.75
	Standing Orders x 4	6.00
		- £163.75✓

Additional Account

John Bell	- 1 year's rent of The Holmes (20p) +	- £ .48✓
	Wayleaves	

Reports

Coun. Murkett reported that there are 17 ducklings on the Cod Beck. The goose eggs have been stolen and some form of shelter and protection should be provided for the geese.

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Coun. Salmon reported that the Citizens Advice Bureau are looking for other premises which would provide two rooms.

Coun. Salmon reported on the meeting to discuss the ownership of the Parish Map, at which it had been agreed that a committee consisting of one member of Thirsk Town and Sowerby, Carlton Miniott and South Kilvington Parish Councils, together with a representative of the Civic Society and of the Library, be formed. It was agreed to appoint this Council's representative at the Annual meeting next month. Coun. Salmon also reported that he had received a request for the map to be displayed at Ingleborough Community Centre.

The Chairman reported on the meeting attended by the District Council's Community Environment Officer at which recycling, litter and the problems of dog fouling were discussed.

The Chairman reported that a Flea Market run by the Town Hall Committee had raised £350.00.

Any Other Business

Clean-Up Day At the Chairman's suggestion, it was agreed to organise a 'Clean-up' Day for Sunday, 13th May, with emphasis on Dowber Lane and laybys.

Removal of Bollards Coun. Bell reported that bollards had been removed from the Market Place to facilitate a delivery to White Horse Cafe. Coun. Murkett to take up the matter with the Planning Department.

Market Place Improvement Scheme Coun. Murkett objected to adverse comments from District Councillors regarding the market place which had been reported in the press. He stated that it is now much easier to park and supports Hambleton District Council for the scheme.

Extended Parking Coun. Roberts stated that there should be extended parking facilities in the Market Place for the Town Mayor.

Roundabout - Town End Coun. Salmon commended the new mini roundabout at Town End which has eased traffic congestion. Coun. Murkett stated that he had congratulated the County Council on the improvements.

Options for Improving Residential Care for Older People in N. Yorks.

Members were issued with copies of a consultation document and requested to bring their comments to the meeting re; Heavy Traffic, on 2nd May as the closing date for comments to the North Yorkshire County Council is 18th May.

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

D. Fowden.
21-5-90

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Present Couns. Mrs. F. M. Roberts, D. E. Loveden, D.S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, S. I. Clements, P. J. M. Benson, R. S. Hall, J. Bell, J. M. Salmon, A. J. Davison + Mr. A. R. Burnett, Chief Environmental Health & Housing Officer - Hambleton District Council.

The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed by Coun. Clements who was welcomed to the Council.

Retiring Chairman Coun. Roberts thanked members for the support given to her during her terms of office and was thanked for her work by Coun. Murkett and Coun. Loveden.

Election of Chairman Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that Coun. Loveden be elected to the Chair'. Unanimously Agreed. Coun. Loveden thanked members for his election and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Election of Vice Chairman Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Benson 'that Coun. Murkett be elected Vice Chairman. All in Favour.

Gipsy Site Mr. Burnett told the meeting that the land at Sowerby, identified for a gipsy site, is to be acquired either by agreement or by Compulsory Purchase. The District Council wish the site to be available as soon as possible in order to achieve designation. Designation cannot be achieved until the sites at Stokesley and Sowerby are in operation when application will then be made to the Department of Environment. Mr. Burnett stated that negotiations had taken place with the Gipsy Council who are quite supportive of the sites to be provided. Coun. Bell asked how many of the occupants of the laybys, who are mainly scrap dealers, are answerable to the Gipsy Council and stated that a very small proportion of these are true gipsies. Mr. Burnett answered that a wide spectrum of people are considered to be gipsies. There will be no trading allowed from the site and no area available for the storage of scrap. The regulations for the site will be rigidly enforced.

Appointment of Representatives

Thirsk & Sowerby Civic Society Coun. Roberts.

Thirsk & Sowerby Flatts Preservation Trust Coun. Roberts.

Charities Coun. Roberts & Coun.. Craig.

Hambleton Sports Council Coun. Hall.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Coun. Roberts, Coun. Craig & Coun. Clements.

Hambleton Citizens Advice Bureau Coun. Salmon.

Community Care Association Coun. Benson.

Local Councils Association Coun. Murkett & Coun. Craig with Coun. Roberts as deputy.

Parish Map Coun. Bell.

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Conservation Area Advisory Group Coun. Bell. Recommend that Coun. Craig be the District Council Representative and that Coun. Roberts deputise for Coun. Murkett (as County Council Representative) when he is unable to attend meetings.

Sub Committees

The Holmes, Greens & Mill Gardens The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Coun. Craig, Coun. Bell, Coun. Roberts.

Cemetery The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Coun. Craig, Coun. Hall, Coun. Salmon, Coun. Clements, Coun. Roberts.

Plans The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Coun. Hall, Coun. Bell, Coun. Roberts.

Footpaths & Rights of Way The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Coun. Craig, Coun. Bell, Coun. Benson.

Christmas Lights The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Coun. Craig, Coun. Hall, Coun. Benson.

Finance The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Coun. Salmon, Coun. Benson, Coun. Clements.

Procedure The Chairman requested members to address all matters through the Chair, to be brief and to the point and to remember that decisions made by the Council are binding.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Community Hall for East Thirsk Nothing reported.

Crossings - Long street Nothing reported.

Recreation Land Nothing reported.

Skipton Bridge No reply received to this Council's objections to the proposal to widen the bridge.

Boundary Reviews It was reported that Bagby Parish Council do not wish to alter the boundary to allow the Thirsk Industrial Park to be in Thirsk Parish. Sowerby Parish Council are awaiting a reply from the District Council regarding boundaries. It was agreed to cancel the meeting due to be held on 24th May to discuss the Thirsk boundaries.

Cemetery Mr. Barr has not submitted any prices re: the wall and gate into Wetlands Lane.

Governing Body - Thirsk County Primary School The Clerk reported that Bagby and Balk and Hillside Parish Councils were in agreement with Coun. Bell being the Minor Authority representative on the Governing Body.

Yorkshire Day The Chairman expressed the wish to attend the Yorkshire Day ceremony at Skipton. It was agreed that the requested £25.00 fee be paid and that, as this allowed for a maximum of three representative, Mrs. Loveden and Coun. Murkett should also attend. ✓

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Options for Residential Care for Older People in North Yorkshire
Coun. Roberts had researched this matter and visited residential homes for the elderly in the area and presented the case for Sutton House to remain open. Coun. Roberts' findings had been circulated to members and approved before being forwarded to the Director of Social Services in time for a meeting on 18th May. Coun. Roberts was congratulated on her efforts in this matter.

Internal Walls - Mill Gardens Members were not happy with the specification for the work required for the permanent fixing of the coping stones. The contractors who had submitted quotations to be notified of the change in specification.

Reports on Meetings

Heavy Traffic Coun. Murkett reported that he was heartened to hear the views of the County Council representative who had stated that new signs should be in place in the very near future, a weight restriction could be imposed on Skipton Bridge within six months and that the A61 could be reclassified within three years. It was pointed out that the County Council representative is leaving the authority. It was agreed that the Department of Environment should be asked to reclassify the A61 from Baldersby and the A167 from Busby Stoop and William Hague M.P. be asked for his support.

Bus Shelter Coun. Murkett, Coun. Craig and Coun. Hall had attended a meeting with Planning Officers and representatives of the Post Office to discuss the bus shelter. Following the meeting a copy letter from the Post Office to the Planning Officer was received agreeing to increase the Post Office's contribution to a third cost of the shelter to a maximum of £3,000 including V.A.T. The offer being totally conditional on the scheme for the Post Office proceeding. Members were of the opinion that £3,000 is not enough and some were not in favour of the suggested site to the west of the old Post Office building. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Davison 'that the Post Office be allowed to remove the present bus shelter when they have provided a new one, on a site acceptable to the Planning Authority, and at no cost to this Council. Agreed.

Recreational Land for East Thirsk The meeting arranged for 27th April had been cancelled. It was agreed that a meeting be requested to be held on site. Coun. Murkett to negotiate a meeting date with the District Council. Couns. Murkett, Craig, Bell, Hall, Salmon, Roberts and Loveden indicated their wish to be present.

Conservation Area Advisory Group Inaugural Meeting This meeting had been held on 15th May and been attended by representatives of various local bodies. It had been agreed that a sub committee should be formed to meet monthly to look at planning applications with the full group meeting only quarterly. It had been agreed that the sub committee should consist of 1 District Council Member, 1 County Council Member, 1 Member of Thirsk Town Council, 1 Member of Sowerby Parish Council, 1 Member of the Civic Society, 1 Member of the Flatts Preservation Trust, 1 Member of Thirsk Chamber of Trade and 1 Hambleton District Council officer representative.

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Correspondence

Thirsk & Sowerby Conservation Area Plan presented, showing the amended Conservation Area which was designated on 27th February 1990.

Provision of a Mobile Skip Service Letter received from the Chief Environmental Health Officer stating that the District Council is currently investigating the possibility of providing a mobile civic amenity service in a number of villages throughout the District. The benefits and potential problems with the service were referred to. Members were of the opinion that because of the excellent civic amenity tip in Sowerby such a service is unnecessary but it was agreed to send a copy of the letter to the East Thirsk Community Association seeking their views.

Thirsk (Off Street Parking Places) Order 1990 A copy of the Order and statement of reasons identifying the District Council's reasons for wishing to modify the existing Order, presented. It was agreed to request that the 'No Parking' areas on the south side of the Market Place be clearly marked.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Ruth Mabel Robinson to apply for the transfer of the Justices Licence in respect of The Three Tuns Hotel.

Audit Notice received that the Council's books are to be presented for Audit at the Civic Centre, Stone Cross at 10.00 a.m. on Monday, 9th July.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Letter presented from Sowerby Parish Council stating that at their recent meeting, it was suggested that it would be appropriate to install coin meters for electricity usage in each of the two front offices and requesting that this Council discuss the matter before the next Town Hall meeting at which charges are to be considered. Members were not in favour of coin meters but felt that meters showing the amount of energy used in each office would be acceptable.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0306B</u>	Simon Muddle	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0390</u>	Mr. A. Pattison	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0388</u>	D. Gilliats	Refused

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/90/152/0388A Conversion of Existing disused Building to Offices at Rear of 5, Finkle Street for Mrs. P. J. Bowes.
No Representations.

2/90/152/0392 Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse to Include a Domestic Garage at 13, Springfield Close for Mr. & Mrs. P. Holliday.
No Representations other than to ask if the owners of No. 11 have been notified.

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- 2/90/152/0393 Display of an Externally Illuminated Fascia Sign at 20 - 22, Market Place for Victoria Wine Co. This sign has already been erected although the previous application was refused.
- 2/90/152/0288A Extension to Existing Art Gallery at 72/74, Long St. for Mr. & Mrs. W. Sissons. No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0394 Layout of Land & Construction of 12 Dwellings with Domestic Garages & Conversion of Part of Disused Agricultural Buildings to a Dwelling at 44 -52, Kirkgate for Mr. J. Bell. Recommend Approval.
- 2/90/152/0394A Application for L. B. Consent for Alterations to Existing Disused Agricultural Buildings to Include the Formation of a Dwelling at 44 - 52, Kirkgate for Mr. J. Bell. Recommend Approval.
Coun. Bell Declared an Interest in the 2 latter applications.
- 2/90/152/0197K Outline Application for Residential Development at Stoneybrough for Tudland Ltd. Recommend Refusal. The Council would not wish to see this substantial and impressive 1870 building destroyed.
- 2/90/152/0057B Outline Application for Residential Development at OS 0686 & Land North of OS 0695 Thirsk for Tudland Ltd. No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0148A Use of Existing Disused Shop as a Restaurant & Hot Food Takeaway Shop at Royal Oak Yard for Ala Uddin. No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0384A Application for L. B. Consent for the Display of an Internally Illuminated Fascia Sign at Northern Electric. Recommend Refusal on the grounds that the sign by reason of its illumination would be detrimental to the amenities of the Conservation Area. The Council does not accept the reasons given for the original application being granted.
- 2/90/152/0310B Amended Plans for Alterations to Former Post Office Building plus Further Amendments recommended at the Conservation Area Advisory Group Meeting. West Elevation. The 2 outer windows on the ground floor of the 2 storey section should finish at the same level as the centre one. The window and door in the single storey section should match those of Units 4 & 6. North Elevation. As there are no constraints on the structure and the cross elevation the doors & windows of Unit 5 should match 4 & 6.

2/90/152/0310B

Formation of a Vehicular Access at Part Field 8158
Felixkirk Road for Mr. & Mrs. R. Wilkinson.
No Objections.

Accounts The following Accounts were presented and Approved. Prop.
Coun. Bell, sec. Coun. Hall.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Superintendent - May	- £355.50✓
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol for Cemetery Grass Cutter	- £ 19.25✓
Nat. Savings Bank	- Transfer to Investment Account	- £750.00
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 2 x April - 1 x May	- £231.15✓

Additional Accounts

Skipton T. C.	- Fee for Yorkshire Day	- £ 25.00
Coun. Roberts	- Reimbursement of cost of plants	- £ 15.00✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

Marie Armitage	33 G6	£140.00✓
Donald Joseph Maltby	32 G6	£ 70.00✓

Reports

Coun. Salmon reported that the A. G. M. of the Hambleton C. A. B. is to be held at East Road, Northallerton on 19th June at 7.30 p.m.

Coun. Benson reported that the Community Care Association has acquired a new 14 seat Mini Bus which is available for hire. The A.G.M. is to be held in the Friends Meeting House on 27th June at 7.30 p.m.

Any Other Business

Castle Garth Coun. Murkett commented on the need for the gates on the footpath leading from Lees to Woodhead & Bray to be repaired. The County Council to be notified.

The Holmes Coun. Bell requested that 'Trees on The Holmes' be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

Market Place Coun. Hall referred to unruly behaviour in the Market Place on Saturday, 19th May, caused by youths having consumed too much alcohol, which had been dealt with promptly by the police. It was agreed to commend the police on containing a potentially explosive situation and suggest that they encourage the closing of public houses on Race Days and other occasions when it is known that there will be an influx of visitors whose only reason for visiting the town is to drink.

Shire Park Coun. Roberts commented that trees on the play area have died.

Grass Cutting Coun. Roberts stated that the grass verges in Stockton Road and Ingramgate are in need of cutting.

Grass Cutting - Cemetery Members commented on the state of the grass at the Cemetery. A sub committee meeting was arranged for 8th June.

White Mare Roundabout Coun. Roberts was given permission to purchase conifers to replace those on the roundabout which have died.

Clean Up Day Coun. Roberts stated that only Coun. Craig and herself had turned out on Clean Up Day. It was arranged to have a 'clean up' in the Dowber Way and Barback areas on Friday 15th June at 6.00 p.m.

C.A.B. Office Coun. Roberts stated that, when the C.A.B find larger premises, their office could be of use to this Council and Sowerby Parish Council. A photocopier could be kept there, plans etc. could be available for inspection and 'surgeries' could be held.

Unauthorised Signs It was reported that the Highways Department are having a blitz on signs on footways.

Seat - White Mare Corner At the request of Coun. Craig, Coun. Hall will take up the matter of the need for repairs with Mr. Rose, who had offered to take over responsibility for the seat.

Seats Members were requested to carry out a survey of seats for the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

D. J. Owen
15/6/90

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Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, R. S. Hall, S. I. Clements, H. D. Craig, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. M. M. Salmon, A. J. Davison, Police Inspector Ford + 2 Members of the Public.
Apologies for Absence accepted from Coun. J. Bell (Illness) and Coun. P. J. Benson (Business commitments).

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

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Community Hall for East Thirsk Nothing reported.

Crossings - Long Street Coun. Murkett reported that the scheme is being implemented now and should be completed by September.

Boundary Reviews Nothing reported.

Options for Residential Care in North Yorkshire Coun. Murkett requested that this be placed on the Agenda of the next meeting.

Heavy Traffic On the recommendation of the Vice Chairman, and with the agreement of the Chairman, the letter requesting that the A61 and A167 be reclassified is being delayed until the heavy traffic survey is completed. Coun. Murkett stated that there is to be a weight restriction on the B6267 road from the A1 to Skipton Bridge via Ainderby Quernhow.


Mobile Skip Service A letter from the E.T.C.A. stated that they were in favour of a mobile skip but considered that it should be supervised by the refuse collection service provided by the District Council through the payment of the Community Charge.

Meters for the Town Hall Offices Coun. Roberts stated that enquiries are being made of the Electricity Board regarding meters.

Castle Garth The Clerk reported that the County Council's Divisional Surveyor was making arrangements for the gates to be mended.

Police Action - 19th May A letter from Inspector Ford thanked the Council for the complimentary letter regarding police action in the Market Place on 19th May. Inspector Ford agreed that the main cause of the trouble had been alcohol abuse by visitors to the town but that the police had received co-operation from responsible licencees who had promptly reported incidents of disorder allowing Officers to respond and deal effectively with the disturbances.

The Chairman called a recess to allow Inspector Ford to address the meeting. Inspector Ford stated that he was appalled that following the Council's commendation of the Police by letter, Coun. Murkett was reported in the press as saying that the policing in the town is abysmal. Inspector Ford also stated that allegations in the press are untrue and there are contingency plans in case there is a similar occurrence in the future. Coun. Murkett stated that the allegations came from the Chamber of Trade meeting and not the Town Council.



Inspector Ford agreed to attend the next meeting of the Council to discuss all aspects of policing in the town.

Grass Cutting - N.Y.C.C. Grass cutting has now been carried out on Stockton Road and Ingramgate.

Seat - White Mare Corner It was reported that Mr. Rose has provided a new seat for White Mare Corner.

Survey of Seats Coun. Craig agreed to provide a list of all the Council's seats.

Permanent Fixing of the Coping Stones on the Internal Walls of Mill Gardens

Two quotations were received from contractors who had been notified of the change of specification.

No. 1 £353.00 No. 2 £260.00 + V.A.T

Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall 'that quotation No. 2, submitted by Shiptons Garden Services, be accepted.' Agreed. ✓

Provision of Recreational Land for East Thirsk It was reported that a meeting had been held to discuss this but that further details were awaited.

Mayor's Dinner - 1991 The Chairman formally requested the Council's permission to hold a Mayor's Dinner in 1991 pointing out that he would be asking for assistance. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that permission be granted'. Agreed.

Bus Shelter A letter from the Chief Planner's department stated that he is disappointed to learn that the Town Council are unable to bear any of the costs involved in the replacement of the existing shelter with a new structure as it was his understanding from a recent meeting that a contribution might be available towards the scheme. No specific monies are available within the District Council's budgets for this project and, bearing in mind that the the responsibility for, and ownership of, the existing shelter lies with the the Town Council he would find it difficult to justify and recommend to the Leisure & Amenities Committee that, in the absence of a contribution from the Town Council, funds should be made available. In the circumstances it is not intended to take any further action other than to arrange for the kerbing and paving works in the immediate vicinity of the existing shelter to be adjusted as appropriate and necessary. Coun. Murkett had obtained details of Adshel bus shelters which are advertising shelters provided and maintained free of charge to local authorities. It was considered that one of these shelters could replace the existing bus shelter on the present site. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that the District Council be told that this Council would support an Adshel Shelter'. Voting - 7 in Favour - Coun. Salmon Against. Coun. Clements referred to the inconvenience to local traders during the re-cobbling of the Market Place. This is a major selling time and shoppers are going elsewhere due to the lack of parking spaces. Members agreed that the laying of cobbles and the standard of work on the footpaths is unsatisfactory. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the Chief Planner be asked to attend a special/

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meeting to discuss these and other matters associated with the Market Place Improvement Scheme'. Agreed. The Clerk to arrange a meeting as soon as possible.

Correspondence

Thirsk Jobcentre & Part-Time Unemployment Benefit Office Letter received from the Area Manager of the Employment Service regarding the impending closure of the Thirsk Jobcentre and Part-Time Unemployment Office which forms part of the re-structuring of the Employment Service. This aims to bring together Jobcentre and Benefit Office services under one roof to provide a fully integrated service for the unemployed. The number of claimants in Thirsk is insufficient to justify the facilities required to deliver the complete range of services which will now be provided from Northallerton from where an improved counselling and placement service can be delivered. Benefit claimants who live more than 6 miles from Northallerton will be allowed to 'sign-on' by post. The expectation is that the closure will be effected early in July. Members regretted the closure but accepted the reasons for it. It was agreed to request that arrangements be made for job vacancies to be advertised somewhere in the town. The Library and the District Council sub Offices were suggested as suitable places for the display of vacancies. Coun. Salmon suggested that consideration of the installation of a Training Access Point be requested, which would give computerised access to all available jobs.

St. James' Green Letter received from Mrs. P. Hunt drawing attention to the fact that vehicles are operating from the premises of F. D. Todd & Sons from 6.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Dust and grit from the unmade road also cause problems. Until a decision is made on the matter she and her husband are unsure about paying the Poll Tax. Coun. Murkett stated that Todds have tried very hard to relocate but have been thwarted by the Planners. Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that this Council is sympathetic to the problems and is doing all it can to help Todds to relocate'. Agreed.

The Marage Letter received from Mrs. J. Herrington regarding Coun. Bell's application for residential development and pointing out that this Council objected to a hedge being removed from her property because of damage to the wild life. It was agreed that the letter be acknowledged.

North Yorkshire Playing Fields Association Notification received of the A.G.M. to be held in the Main Grandstand at Thirsk Racecourse on 25th June, preceded by a visit to Thirsk Athletic Club. The Clerk stated that Sowerby Parish Council had agreed to pay half of the cost of refreshments if this Council will do the same. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Davison 'that this Council agrees to paying half of the cost of refreshments for the N.Y.P.F.A. A.G.M.'. Agreed.

Planning Appeal Notification received that the appeals by Mr. & Mrs. G. Bainbridge against refusal in respect of land and buildings at 'Sunnybank', Green Lane, Thirsk and the siting of a caravan at the same site, have been dismissed.

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Press Release A press release from the Yorkshire L.C.A. stated that an emergency resolution had been passed at the N.A.L.C. Conference calling on the government to pay part of the business rate to Parish and Town Councils as of right.

Y.L.C.A. Training Weekend and A.G.M. Notice received that the Training Weekend and A.G.M. will be held at the Bradford & Ilkley Community College on 8th/9th September 1990. Costs for the Full Conference on a residential basis will be £47.00 + £7.05 V.A.T. per person and non residential £34.00 + £5.10 V.A.T. Couns. Loveden and Murkett expressed the wish to attend. Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that this Council pay the fees for two delegates'. Agreed.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0053L</u>	Thomas of York	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0053M</u>	Thomas of York	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0310B</u>	Post Office Counters Ltd	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0387</u>	Mr. F. W. & W. A. Knowles	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0303C</u>	Hamid R. Amir	Granted
<u>2/89/152/0056D</u>	Persimmon Homes (York) Ltd	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0392</u>	Mr. & Mrs. P. Holliday	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0395</u>	Mr. & Mrs. R. Wilkinson	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

<u>2/90/152/0009G</u>	Layout of Land & Details of the Construction of 8 Flats and 3 Dwellings at 10A & 12, Long Street for S. & B. Construction. <u>Recommend Refusal. The proposed development is too dense. Three storied buildings are out of character with the area. The dwellings could be in conflict with industry to the rear of the development.</u>
<u>2/90/152/0033C</u>	Use of Existing Buildings as a Vehicle Repair Garage at Royal Oak Yard for Thirsk Car Care Centre Ltd. <u>The Council would wish to see the days of work restricted to weekdays and the hours of work and noise restricted to that of the normal working day in consideration of residents of neighbouring property.</u>
<u>2/90/152/0396</u>	Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse at 37, Darrowby Close for Miss L. Hamilton. <u>No Representations.</u>
<u>2/90/152/0147D</u>	Additional Use of Existing Antique Furniture Restoration Workshop for the Construction of Architectural & Industrial Design Models at 15B, Millgate for Mr. John A. Moore. <u>Recommend Approval.</u>

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2/90/152/0397 Change of Use of Existing Shop to a Restaurant and Hot Food Take-Away Shop at 62, Market Place for Aspect Developments Ltd.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0088A Construction of a Dwellinghouse with Domestic Garage at Swallow House, Sutton Road for Mr. A. Arbon.
No Objections.

Accounts The following Accounts were presented and Approved. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Hall.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - June	-	£355.50✓
Thirsk Motors	-	Petrol for Cemetery Grass Cutter	-	£ 9.88✓
Power Point	-	Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks to 3.5.90	-	£ 69.00✓
" "	-	Oil for Grass Cutter	-	£ 8.05✓
" "	-	Cord for Strimmer	-	£ 3.04✓
P. Smith	-	Salary - April - June	£450.00	
	-	Administrative Expenses	£ 74.32	
C. E. Walker	-	Grass Cutting - 1 x May 1 x June		£154.10✓

Additional Accounts

Yours Truly	-	Wreath for Canadian Memorial	-	£ 10.00✓
Coun. Murkett	-	Travelling Expenses to Parish Govt. Course at Scarborough	-	£ 18.82✓
Coun. Loveden	-	Chairman's Allowance	-	£100.00✓
Yorks. L.C.A.	-	Fees for 2 Delegates to A.G.M. and Training Weekend	-	£108.10✓

Reports

The Chairman reported that he had attended the Canadian Memorial Service at Skipton Bridge and laid a wreath on behalf of the Council. He is to host a Cheese and Wine evening for Guide Dogs for the Blind and to present Awards at the Red Cross A.G.M. The Chairman thanked the members who had assisted with the 'Clean Up'.

Any Other Business

Coun. Murkett stated that a shelter is required for the Council's geese and requested inclusion of this item on the next Agenda.

Hanging Baskets Coun. Roberts was given permission to take the hanging baskets to 'Yours Truly' for refurbishment.

Taxi Coun. Roberts stated that a taxi business being operated from the McLean estate is causing a nuisance to neighbours.

Town Hall Annexe Coun. Davison requested that the Town Hall Annexe be placed on the next Agenda.

Mayor's 'At Home' The Chairman invited members to his 'At Home' on Sunday, 1st July from 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m. which he hoped would also be attended by members of the public and representatives of various organisations.

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Sub Committees The Chairman told members that although he and the Vice Chairman are members of all the sub committees, each committee should appoint a Chairman who is not Chairman of the Council. The Chairman stated that he wished the following members to be Chairmen of the various committees.

<u>The Holmes, Greens & Mill Gardens</u>	Coun. Bell.
<u>Cemetery</u>	Coun. Roberts.
<u>Plans</u>	Coun. Bell.
<u>Footpaths</u>	Coun. Craig.
<u>Christmas Lights</u>	Coun. Hall
<u>Finance</u>	Coun. Murkett.

The Chairman requested a report from the Christmas Lights Sub Committee at the next meeting and from the Finance Sub Committee in August.

Telephone Numbers Coun. Murkett requested that members be issued with a list of other members telephone numbers.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.

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Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 16th July 1990 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, A. J. Davison, J. Bell, R. S. Hall, S. I. Clements, J. M. M. Salmon, P. J. M. Benson & Police Inspector M. Ford.

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

Inspector Ford attending the meeting to speak about the general policing of Thirsk stated that he is grateful to the Town Council for their support and that the misunderstanding referred to at the last meeting has been cleared up. Parking has lower priority than crime but it is hoped that the employment of a part time Traffic Warden will assist with parking problems. The communication system at the police office has been refurbished and upgraded. When the office is closed, all telephone calls are automatically re-routed to either the Ripon office or Northallerton H.Q. and assessed for priority. With regard to crime prevention, the public should be aware of their responsibility to assist the police. The local road system is good for the travelling criminal and there are many thefts from motor vehicles. Thirsk is the only section within the division without any Special Constables who could increase the police presence on the streets. The area in general is well policed. The Chief Constable wishes to provide a good service and insists that the police must be courteous to the public at all times.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Community Hall for East Thirsk Nothing reported.

Boundary Reviews Nothing reported.

Heavy traffic through Thirsk Coun. Murkett will report at the September meeting.

Survey of Seats Coun. Craig provided a list of the Council's seats and pointed out that the wooden presentation seats in the Market Place are in need of treatment. Coun. Murkett and Coun. Hall to ask the Rotary Club if they are willing to undertake responsibility for treating the Eric Thompson seats.

Recreation Land - East Thirsk Nothing reported.

Closure of Thirsk Job Centre A letter from the Employment Service Field Operations Manager stated that they are happy to explore what can be done in regard to the suggestion of a local job display but their experience of 'remote' displays in sites away from official premises is that they are difficult to maintain and keep up to date and are little used by the public. When necessary the Northallerton office will deal with telephone enquiries from Thirsk and try to ensure that suitable vacancies are brought to the attention of Thirsk claimants by matching processes. Training Access Points only give information about training opportunities and have no relevance in the jobs market. The letter suggested a possible meeting which would involve the local Job /cont

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Centre Manager. It was agreed to invite attendance at the August meeting and also invite a representative from each of Bagby, Sowerby, South Kilvington and Carlton Miniott Parish Councils.

Complaint re: F. D. Todd & Sons A letter from the Chairman of Hambleton District Council stated that she had been informed by officers of the Council that either the Industrial Estate on York Road or Dalton Airfield would be more appropriate locations for the business but no approach has been made to acquire any land on the Thirsk Industrial Estate. Whilst the District Council would be very much in favour of a relocation of this haulage business to another site it is important to find a site which is suitable in land use terms and which does not cause the sort of problems that the current site is obviously creating for residents. The Chief Planner & Technical Officer is currently investigating whether or not some activities now being carried out at Todd's Yard are a breach of planning control and the Environmental Health Department have also been asked to investigate the nuisance element of the complaints made by Mr. & Mrs. Hunt. A letter from Miss Brown of No. 80, The Green referred to the nuisance of dust created by vehicles travelling to and from Todds. Coun. Murkett stated that Mr. Todd had indicated that he is prepared to put a tarmac surface on the road. It was agreed to write to Mr. Todd about this and to seek the advice of the L.C.A. about putting this type of surface on a road which crosses Common Land.

Town Hall Annexe Coun. Davison stated that no details are yet available of a previously proposed replacement annexe. Coun. Roberts told the meeting that all the recommendations made, and improvements required on the present annexe, by the Fire Officer had been carried out. The annexe is not used every day but is a necessary part of the Town Hall. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Clements 'that as the Fire Officer is satisfied the matter should not be discussed any further.' Agreed.

Trees - The Holmes Coun. Bell presented a report, from a tree surgeon, on trees on The Holmes which listed the recommended action required, including the removal of one large willow. Members were asked to inspect the trees before the next meeting. A meeting of The Holmes, Greens and Mill Gardens Sub committee to be held.

Meeting with the Chief Planner to Discuss the Market Place The Clerk reported on the meeting with Mr. Ballard, Chief Planner, and Mr. Erbe, Principal Engineer H.D.C., and attended by 7 members of this Council. Coun. Clements had referred to the current work which had commenced before Christmas and is not yet completed, stating that business in the town are suffering because of it and that there was no major upheaval in Northallerton when it was reconstructed. Mr. Ballard agreed that there could have been an effect on trade but that is also on a national level. Thirsk is a grander scheme than Northallerton because of the cobbles. The timing of the scheme is to do with finance. Phase IIa commenced before Christmas with escalating costs. Phase IIb immediately followed IIa, each part being of 14 weeks duration and the contract is on target. Asked if shopkeepers were made aware of/cont

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the timescale, Mr. Erbe stated that all the business affected by the scheme had been notified by letter. The contractor had visited all the properties fronted by Phase II and offered assistance with any difficulties re: deliveries etc. Mr. Ballard stated that he is happy with what he has seen and that there are always problems with building schemes. Problems will be dealt with at the end of the scheme and remedial works carried out. The whole scheme will cost in the region of £500,000 which is considerably more than had been budgeted for at the outset. Members who expressed disappointment at the riven stone used on the paths were told that sawn stone is too expensive and reconstructed material would not have attracted a grant from English Heritage. The County Council are satisfied with the paths in Phase I and have accepted them. The Officers were shown details of the Adshel bus shelters and although not sure that they would be acceptable, agreed to investigate the possibility of such a shelter for the Market Place. An inspection of the Market Place followed the meeting and included looking at the footpaths, cobbled areas, bullring and downcomer pipes. It was agreed to seek the Chief Planner's assurance that the next phase of the Improvement Scheme will not be in progress at Christmas 1990, preferring that it will not commence until after the Christmas period.

Christmas Lights Coun. Hall stated that a meeting of the sub committee will take place within the next month. It was reported that the Chamber of Trade is holding events to raise money for Christmas Lights and is holding a special meeting in August to which the Town Council's sub committee is invited.

Future of Sutton House Coun. Murkett requested that this be deferred until the September meeting.

Shelter for the Council's Geese The provision of a shelter for the geese to be discussed by The Holmes, Greens and Mill Gardens sub committee.

Town Twinning The Chairman told members that the subject of town twinning had been discussed at a recent meeting of the Governors of Thirsk School and he felt there may be some merit in forming a small sub committee to consider it and had obtained relevant information. Coun. Roberts stated that Northallerton Town Council, together with other organisations, are discussing twinning with a town in France. Coun. Benson agreed to be Chairman of a sub committee consisting of himself, Coun. Roberts and Coun. Hall.

Procedure at Council Meetings when Members of the Public attend for a Specific Purpose Coun. Roberts stated that when members of the public attend Council Meetings it would be courteous to ask if there is an Agenda item in which they are interested and to alter the Agenda accordingly to enable them to leave, if they so wish, when that specific item has been dealt with. Coun. Clements referred to 'Standing Order' No. 43 regarding public participation and pointed out that it would be necessary for the meeting to be adjourned for members of the public to speak. It was agreed that members of the public would be greeted when attending meetings.

Correspondence

Byelaws - Dog Fouling A letter from the Environmental Health Department referred to the 'Hambleton District Council (Dogs Fouling Footways and Grass Verges) Byelaw 1981' which states that no person shall allow a dog to foul a footway or grass verge of a highway. The verge is to be maintained in good order and up to 3 metres wide. The byelaw does not apply to open spaces such as village greens and the District Council can only erect the prohibitive 'No Fouling' signs in accordance with the byelaw.

Emptying of Skip Notification received from F. D. Todd & Sons that the fee for emptying the skip at the Cemetery is being increased by £4.00 to £32.00 + V.A.T.

Yorks. R. C. C. Letter received from the Yorkshire Rural Community Council stating that following numerous complaints concerning the Parish Government Course in the Grand Hotel at Scarborough a settlement has been agreed with the company owning the hotel and a refund of £32.00 per head for all delegates allocated a room. The Clerk reported that £32.00 has been received.

Railway Electrification Letter received from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stating that British Rail have asked for assistance in publicising the fact that the high voltage electricity supply on the East coast main line is now switched on for testing purposes and enclosing warning posters for display.

Planning Committee Site Visit Notice received of a site visit in connection with the application for alterations to workshop to form 2 dwellings at Steads Yard, to which one representative is invited.

Local Plan Letter received stating that the District Council is preparing to formally adopt the Thirsk Local Plan, copies of which are available for inspection. A copy may be purchased from the Planning Department at a cost of £5.00. The Clerk was authorised to purchase a copy if it is not possible for Coun. Murkett to obtain one free of charge.

Toilets - Market Place Letter received from a member of the public regarding the state of the 'Ladies' toilets. Coun. Craig to take up the matter with the Environmental Health Department. It was agreed to write to the Chief Executive requesting that immediate action be taken regarding the toilets, about which many complaints are received, enclosing a copy of the letter and to forward copies of both letters to the Chairman of the District Council. It was also agreed to write to Masham and Ryedale asking for details regarding the cleaning of their toilets.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0389</u>	Hambleton District Council	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0288A</u>	Mr. & Mrs. W. Sissons	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0393</u>	Victoria Wine Company Limited	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning applications:

- 2/89/152/019A Amended Details for a Hanging sign at 28, Market Place for Boots PLC.
No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0398 Construction of a Building for Housing Electrical Equipment at site off Hambleton Place for Northern Electric.
No Objections but would prefer a pitched roof in a Residential Area.
- 2/90/152/0310C Alterations to Existing Post Office Premises to Form 6 Shop Units at Post Office, Market Place for Post Office Counters Ltd.
Would prefer the sills at the West end of the building to be higher.

Accounts The following accounts were approved for Payment. Prop.
Coun. Loveden, sec. Coun. Murkett.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - July	- £355.50✓
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol for Cemetery Grass Cutter	- £ 19.96✓
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter 5 weeks to 7.6.90	- £ 86.25✓
" "	- Oil	- £ 8.28✓
Municipal Mut. Ins.	- Premium on Combined Insurance Policy	- £382.53✓
Wakefield M.D.C.	- Stationery & Ribbons from Y.P.O.	- £ 75.16✓
<u>Additional Accounts</u>		
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 2 x June	- £154.10✓
F. D. Todd & Sons	- Emptying Cemetery Skip (2)	- £ 64.80✓
Cod Beck I.D.B.	- Drainage Rates	- £ 3.00✓
Municipal Mut. Ins.	- Inspection Fee - Play Equipment	- £ 29.76✓
Coun. Roberts	- Reimbursement of cost of trees	- £ 30.00✓
Thirsk Athletic Club	- Half of cost of Refreshments for N.Y.P.F.A. A.G.M.	- £ 10.00✓
Hambleton S.C.	- Affiliation Fee	- £ 2.00✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

Dorothea Lee	Grave Space 1	Section E2	£ 70.00✓
Jack Ronald Knock	Grave Space 18	Section E2	£ 70.00✓
Alan Stephenson	Grave Space 34	Section G6	£ 70.00✓
Arthur Albert Partridge	Grave Space 19	Section E2	£ 70.00✓

Reports

Coun. Murkett reported that the District Council's Planning meetings are now being held on a four week cycle. It was agreed that this Council's Plans sub committee would, on occasions, need to be empowered to send in observations without ratification by the full Council. The District Council to be asked for a list of their planning meeting dates.

Coun. Salmon reported that he had attended the C.A.B. A.G.M. and presented a copy of the annual report. It was agreed to write/cont.

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to the retiring Organiser thanking her for her services to the C.A.B. Coun. Salmon asked if the Council will consider making a donation to C.A.B. It was agreed that this be left to the Finance sub committee.

Any Other Business

Good Wishes It was agreed to send good wishes for a speedy recovery to the Chairman's wife who is in hospital.

Mayoral Chain Coun. Roberts stated that Thirsk is being put to shame at civic functions with the Badge of Office on a ribbon when other Councils have chains and felt that it is a matter of civic pride that the town should also have a chain. The Finance sub committee to look into means of raising money to purchase one.

Thirsk Churchyard Coun. Salmon deplored the unsightly fence keeping sheep enclosed in the churchyard.

Cod Beck Coun. Craig reported that the boom across the Beck is blocked with debris. The N.R.A. to be informed.

Royal Birthday Members agreed with the Chairman that greetings should be sent to H. M. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother on the occasion of her 90th birthday on 4th August. Coun. Bell suggested a gift of apricots instead of a greetings card and it was agreed that he should deal with this matter.

Street Sweeper At the Chairman's suggestion, it was agreed to send a letter to Mr. John Addleton, the town's street sweeper, congratulating him on his excellent work.

The meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

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Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 20th August 1990 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), H. D. Craig, J. M. Salmon, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, R. S. Hall, J. Bell + Mr. P. Beaumont (Job Centre Command Manager).

Apologies for Absence received from Couns. D. S. Murkett (on holiday) P. J. M. Benson (business commitment), A. J. Davison (business commitment), S. I. Clements (business commitment).

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

Mr. Beaumont attended the meeting to discuss the closure of the Thirsk Job Centre and Part-time Unemployment Office and the best means of informing the unemployed of job vacancies. Mr. Beaumont stated that he is willing to consider displaying job vacancies at a site in the town but envisaged problems with maintenance and keeping the display up to date. The display would require changing on a daily basis. The priorities of a Job Centre are with the unemployed. Mr. Beaumont also stated that the Employment Service are willing to consider the provision of a 'Freephone' service to the Northallerton Office. Coun. Salmon was of the opinion that modern technology with a computerised service should be provided but was told that neither the facilities nor the finance are available.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Community Hall for East Thirsk To be left off the agenda for the time being.

Boundary Reviews Letter received from the Chief Executive H.D.C. regarding a meeting to be held in the Autumn to discuss a scheme of rationalisation for parish government in Hambleton which, where appropriate, would enable communities with or without parish administration to join together and form combined Parish Councils and to consider the possibility of existing Parish Councils merging together. It was considered that this may be an appropriate time to discuss altering the parish boundaries.

Heavy Traffic through Thirsk Coun. Murkett will report at the next meeting.

Seats Coun. Hall stated that Rotary have not yet been contacted about the Eric Thompson seats. The Clerk told the meeting that Mr. Colin Kirk has offered to treat the three teak seats in Ingramgate with preservative if the Council provide the materials. It was agreed to accept the offer.

Recreation Land - East Thirsk To be left off the agenda for the time being.

Complaint - F. D. Todd & Sons Written confirmation of advice regarding the road, given by the Assistant Secretary Yorks L.C.A. to the Clerk by telephone, to be requested.

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Market Place Improvement Scheme - Phase III A letter from the Chief Planner stated that it is not intended that work on the final Phase should commence on site prior to the 1990 Christmas period but in order to achieve the necessary expenditure on the proposed contract works within the 1990/91 financial year, a start on site is likely in the New Year. A proportion of the works will continue into and be funded within the 1991/92 financial year.

Sutton House A letter from the Director of Social Services stated that Sutton House will remain open for the time being but there will be no further permanent admissions and a further report will be prepared on the development of alternative services for elderly mentally ill people in Hambleton and Richmondshire in consultation with Northallerton Health Authority.

Town Twinning Nothing reported.

Thirsk Local Plan No observations had been made as no members, other than the District Councillors, had access to a copy of the Plan. Members expressed their disappointment at not having seen the plan especially as the District Council are disposed to adopt it, as modified by them, on or after 20th August.

Toilets - Market Place A letter from the Chief Environmental Health Officer stated that the Council has committed financial resources for the current year to increasing the manpower for the cleaning of public toilets, particularly in areas of considerable use but despite advertising on two occasions the policy could not be implemented due to a very low response of suitable applicants. For the immediate future the toilets will be cleaned by existing staff with whom the nature of the complaints has been discussed. The Council is now carrying out extensive redecoration to both the toilets at Thirsk which will assist in keeping them in a very presentable condition. The question of privatising the toilets has already been discussed with the Environmental Health Committee and contract documents are now being prepared to put out to tender the cleansing of all public conveniences in the District. It is anticipated that it would be the aim to let these contracts from 1st April 1991. A letter from Ryedale District Council stated that the cleansing of their public conveniences is carried out by a private contractor who has taken a particular pride in providing an excellent service to the Council and public. A reply from Masham Town Council stated that their toilets are kept in pristine condition due to the conscientious efforts of one lady who is paid for seven hours per week but does far more hours than that at no extra charge.

Planning Committee Meeting Dates A list of the District Council's Planning Committee meeting dates showed that it will be necessary to change this Council's meeting date in November. It was agreed that the meeting will now be held on 12th November instead of the 19th.

Royal Birthday Coun. Bell had been unable to obtain apricots and due to a misunderstanding had not notified the Chairman who expressed his disappointment that no greeting had been sent.

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Christmas Lights Coun. Hall stated that a meeting of the sub committee will be held during this week. Coun. Roberts had attended the Chamber of Trade meeting and reported that the Chamber are providing their own lights and intend to illuminate the north side of the Market Place. Coun. Roberts was given the support of the Town Council to hold a dance in the Hambleton Rooms on 26th October to raise funds for the Council's Christmas Lights.

The Holmes, Greens & Mill Gardens Sub Committee Members of the sub committee had carried out an inspection of the trees on The Holmes and agreed with the report submitted at the last meeting. Two quotations had been received for tree surgery and felling as outlined in the report.

Quotation No. 1 £635.00 + V.A.T. Quotation No. 2 £750.00 + V.A.T
Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Bell 'that Quotation No. 1, submitted by ✓
A. M. Duckworth, be accepted'. Agreed.
Coun. Bell stated that he had been advised that it is not necessary to provide a shelter for the geese.

Bus Shelter The special meeting called for 13th August had been attended by only four members. It had therefore not been possible to make a decision for ratification at this meeting. A letter had been received from the Chief Planner stating that, in his opinion, none of the Adshel designs would be suitable for erection in a sensitive location in the centre of the Thirsk Conservation Area and it is most unlikely that a planning application in respect of such a shelter would receive a favourable recommendation. It is also most unlikely that the District Council would wish to give approval for the erection of a structure of this nature on land within its ownership. Quotations have been sought for shelters of a design which would be in keeping with the historic atmosphere of Thirsk. It was hoped that the Town Council have been able to reconsider their previous decision not to financially support the provision of a suitable shelter. A copy letter to the Planning Officer from the architects acting for the Post Office stated that their client probably would not proceed at all if the bus shelter remained in its existing dilapidated condition and position and asked if the existing bus shelter could be removed and no replacement made. After discussion it was Prop. Coun. Bell, sec. Coun. Hall that 'this Council go into negotiations with the District Council stating that they are willing to consider making a contribution towards the cost of a new bus shelter and to consider moving the location provided that the design and site are agreed with the Town Council and pointing out that this Council are in no position to make a contribution of the amount indicated by the District Council which would be 23.5% of this year's precept'. Agreed. It was also agreed to request that this Council are kept fully informed of designs and tenders.

Correspondence

Appeal by Post Office Counters Ltd Notification received of the intention of Post Office counters to appeal against the refusal of permission for alterations to the Disused Post Office to provide cont/

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6 shop units. It was stated that the appeal will not be progressed if the new application is granted.

White Mare Roundabout Letter received from the Divisional Surveyor NYCC regarding this Council's agreement to undertake the maintenance of the garden area of the roundabout and the County Council's agreement to make an annual contribution of £50.00. The letter stated that from their observations, little work and therefore costs in maintaining the island have been undertaken by anyone other than themselves. The County Council are still prepared to contribute to the costs incurred by the Town Council but are unable to make a contribution where no costs are incurred and almost the whole of the work is undertaken by themselves. It was agreed to reply stating that there appears to have been a misunderstanding about the maintenance as each time a Town Council representative has gone to carry out weeding and litter removal it has already been done and to point out that the sum of £30.00 has already been spent on replacement shrubs this year.

Temporary Closure Notification received of the temporary closure of Millgate (A61) and Bridge Street, commencing on 24th September for approximately one week.

Meeting with M.E.P. Notice received of a meeting, to be addressed by David Bowe, M.E.P., at Stone Cross on 23rd August.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Clive Spokes to apply for the transfer of the licence in respect of the Frankland Arms and to apply for a Section 34 Gaming Permit.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of John David Rafferty and Anthony Gerard Troy to apply for the transfer of the licence in respect of the Golden Fleece.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Keith and Janet May Lawrie to apply for the transfer of the licence in respect of The Royal.

Hambleton Lifeline Letter received from the Chief Environmental Health Officer enclosing a press release regarding the promotion of Hambleton's emergency call system. A demonstration of Lifeline will be given at Gillings Court on 24th September.

Litter Bin Letter received from Coun. Davison regarding a request he has received for a black and gilt litter bin to replace the existing one outside the 'Herriot' surgery, because of all the photographs which are taken of the building. It was agreed to pass this request to the Chief Environmental Health Officer with the suggestion that one of the same type may be appropriate outside Thirsk Hall and to remind him of the promise to provide litter bins for Castle Garth.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0396</u>	Miss L. Hamilton	Granted
<u>2/89/152/0191A</u>	Mr. A. Cooper	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0391</u>	Mr. H. Woodhead	Granted

<u>2/89/152/0146J</u>	Mr. A. B. Rose	557 Granted
<u>2/90/152/0027H</u>	Calverts Carpets	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0114A</u>	Thirsk & Northallerton Golf Club	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0147D</u>	John Arthur Moore	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0397</u>	Aspect Developments Ltd	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0303D</u>	Mr. T. A. Schofield	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0088A</u>	Mr. A. Arbon	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0016D</u>	Foxs of Thirsk & Fox News	Refused

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/90/152/0394A Amended Plans for Development at The Marage for Mr. J. Bell.
Recommend Approval. Coun. Bell declared an interest in this application.

2/90/152/0400 Display of a Non Illuminated High Level Fascia Sign at 73, Market Place for J. Smith & Sons.
No Objections to the sign. It is understood that the window is to be repaired and returned to its original form. The Council wish to ensure that this is carried out.

2/90/152/0062M Extension to Existing Restaurant at Nevisons Hotel, Sutton Road for K. G. Riley.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0158A Display of an Externally Illuminated Projecting Sign an Externally Illuminated Fascia Sign and 7 Non Illuminated Signs at the Golden Fleece for Principal Hotels.

2/90/152/0158B Listed Building consent for the above application.
No Objections.

It was agreed to ask if Planning Permission is required for a recently opened Tea Room above Johnson's Delicatessen.

Accounts The following accounts were approved for payment. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Bell.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - August	- £355.50✓
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol	- £ 10.47✓
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter - 5 weeks to 12.7.90	- £ 86.25✓
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting 2 x July	- £154.10✓
Audit Commission	- Audit Fee for year ending 31.3.90	- £225.80✓
P. Smith	- Travel Expenses to Audit - 2 journeys	- £ 8.88✓
North Yorks P.F.A.	- Subscription	- £ 10.00✓

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Additional Accounts

R. Gibson Crafts - Parchment Scrolls for Plymouth & Vagnas - £ 20.00✓
 Power Point - Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks to - £ 69.00✓
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Reports

Coun. Roberts reported on Yorkshire Day, held at Skipton, at which she had accompanied the Mayor and Coun. Murkett and deputised for Mrs. Loveden. It was felt that Thirsk could host a future Yorkshire Day and it was agreed to make enquires of the Yorkshire Society regarding this.

The Chairman reported that he had received a letter of greeting from the Lord Mayor of Plymouth via the Boys Brigade who were in camp at Carlton Miniott and in return he had sent a scroll.

The Clerk reported on a satisfactory Audit with the exception of queries regarding the Cemetery. ✓

Coun. Salmon reported that there is to be a meeting of the Parish Map Committee on 18th September, of which Coun. Bell was appointed Chairman. It was agreed to put the request for a donation of £5.00 on the agenda for the next meeting.

Any Other Business

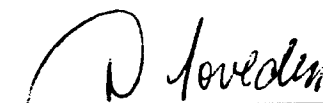
Inventory Coun. Craig enquired if there are inventories of the Council's equipment at the Cemetery and in the Little Green hut, agreeing to draw up a draft inventory of the Cemetery equipment.

Brackets Coun. Craig stated that the Chamber of Trade wish to use Council owned brackets in connection with their Christmas Lights.

Industrial Estate Coun. Hall stated that he had read in a press report that the District Council are to obtain 7 acres of land for the Industrial Estate by compulsory purchase.

Chapel Street Coun. Roberts reported a hole in the road in Chapel Street in the vicinity of the Three Tuns Yard.

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.



Chairman

17/9/90

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 17th September 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, J. M. Salmon, P. J. M. Benson, A. J. Davison, S. I. Clements, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. Bell + 2 Members of the Public.

Apologies for Absence received from Couns. R. S. Hall & H. D. Craig.

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

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Job Centre The Clerk reported that a 'Job Vacancies' display board has been sited in Thirsk Library and that a 'Freephone' service to the Northallerton Job Centre should be in operation within the next few weeks.

Seats Coun. Hall had approached the Treasurer of the Eric Thompson Trust with a view to the Trust undertaking the restoration of the seats and is awaiting a reply.

Road - The Green (F. D. Todd & Sons) A letter from Mr. K. Todd stated that he is prepared to put down a tarmac surface on the road, which he feels would be a satisfactory solution to the problem. Mr. Todd also stated that the Council would have to fully sanction the work as the road crosses common land. A letter from the Y.L.C.A. stated that normally the provision of a 'permanent' surface on common land is deemed to interfere with the use of the land for recreational purposes but given that there is agreement by all parties concerned, and in this particular situation, the provision of a tarmac surface would seem reasonable. Normally they would strongly advise against a tarmac surface on common land but this case is considered exceptional. **Coun. Bell** declared an interest as owner of the land. It was considered that Mr. Todd should consult the owner of the land about his intentions. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Clements 'that this Council are in agreement with Mr. Todd putting down a tarmac surface providing that he can reach agreement with the owner of the land.' **Agreed.**

Thirsk Local Plan No comments had been made as copies of the plan had not been available in time.

Market Place Toilets Copy of letter sent to the complainant from the Chief Environmental Health Officer, received.

Appeal by Post Office Counters Ltd. Notice received that the appeal has been withdrawn.

Litter Bins Reply awaited.

Planning Permission for Tea Room Letter received from the Chief Planner stating the tea room is operating without planning permission and the matter is being investigated by the Enforcement Officer.

Inventories The Clerk reported that Coun. Craig has commenced work on the inventories.

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Yorkshire Day The Clerk had obtained useful information from the Clerk of Skipton Town Council about the organising of a successful Yorkshire Day which necessitates a great deal of work and some expense to the Council. Members agreed with the Chairman that a decision regarding Thirsk hosting a 'Yorkshire Day' should be deferred until after the elections in 1991 when a new Council will have been formed.

Chapel Street The Divisional Surveyor N.Y.C.C. had informed the Clerk that the hole is not in County Council owned land. Coun. Murkett told the meeting that Sowerby Parish Council had approached the District Council with regard to the road at the bottom of Chapel Street being brought up to standard due to it being the only vehicular access to the District Council controlled swimming baths. It was agreed to give support to Sowerby Parish Council.

Donation to Parish Map Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Bell 'that a donation of £5.00 be made to the Parish Map'. Agreed. ✓

Suggestions for Expenditure in 1991/92 Coun. Murkett, as Chairman of the Finance Sub Committee had requested information on suggestions for expenditure. Coun. Bell requested that The Holmes and Greens be considered for inclusion in the estimates. A Sub Committee meeting was arranged for 2nd October.

Report on Heavy Traffic Coun. Murkett asked for this to be deferred until the next meeting.

Christmas Lights In his absence, Coun. Hall had made the following recommendations for the Chairman to put to the meeting. 1. The lights should be illuminated from 1st December and switched off immediately after New Year. 2. As the main expense to the Council in the past has been the putting up and taking down of the moulded decorations, traders on whose premises these are fixed, should undertake responsibility for them. The money saved from this would cover the extra cost of the power used by the lights being on for a longer period. 3. The Council should only be responsible for the strings of lights and the Christmas Tree. Coun. Roberts was opposed to the traders being asked to take over the decorations, stating that there had been an agreement that if the traders paid for the decorations, the Council would be responsible for any other expenses. The Chairman stated that it was too late this year to consider approaching the traders. It was agreed that the matter should be considered by the Lights Sub Committee which has not yet held a meeting.

Bus Shelter Following this Council's decision to re- enter into negotiations with the District Council, a meeting had been requested and was held on 29th August between the Principal Engineer and Principal Forward Planning Officer and Couns. Loveden, Roberts, Craig and Davison. A letter from the Chief Planner's Department referred to the meeting, stating that they understand that the Town Council would be willing to contribute £1,500.00 towards a new shelter and that the District Council have approved £2,000.00 from the C.A.P.E Scheme and the Post Office will contribute £3,000.00 provided that the shelter is resited from the present location. cont/

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The Chairman explained that £1,500.00 was not mentioned as this Council's contribution but that Coun. Davison had stated that it could cost between £1,000.00 and £1,500.00 to refurbish the present shelter. The Clerk reported on a telephone call from the Post Office architects in which she had been told that work is commencing on the alterations to the Post Office, which will take approximately 20 weeks, and hoardings are to be put up at the front of the building, on Post Office owned land, which will block off access to the bus shelter. It was agreed to write to the architects complaining about the proposed hoardings and requesting access to the shelter or the provision of temporary alternative shelter. It was agreed to take advice on the legality of the blocking off of the bus shelter. It was also agreed to enquire of Adshel if they would be interested in providing a bus shelter in Thirsk and to seek an estimate of the cost of refurbishing the present shelter.

Correspondence

Millgate Plan presented of proposed improvements to Millgate in which the footpaths will be widened and constructed of material which will withstand vehicles. Members approved the scheme.

Meetings Calendar of Hambleton District Council Committee Meetings presented.

Play Equipment A Engineer's Report from Municipal Mutual Insurance stated that the play equipment is in a satisfactory condition.

Action on Smoking and Health A letter from ASH enclosed copies of a discussion document for Parish Councils and requested information on reaction to the report. A membership form indicated a fee for organisations as £10.00. It was agreed to make a decision about membership at the next meeting.

Chapel Street A letter from Mr. K. Appleyard referred to the use of premises in Chapel Street for which planning permission had been granted to Euro Design Windows for storage purposes but which were now being used by Cottage Style for the manufacture of furniture, with the associated noise. The same firm are also using premises to the rear of the Golden Fleece Hotel. The Clerk reported that the District Council's Enforcement Officer is investigating.

Notice Board A letter from East Thirsk Community Association enclosed a copy of a letter from Hambleton District Council in reply to their request for a notice board. The letter stated that the District Council has an established policy of providing public notice boards free of charge to Parish and Town Councils, to be erected at their own expense. The provision of a notice board to the Association would be a departure from the Council's policy and would require consideration by Members. It would be much easier for Thirsk Town Council to request a notice board to be erected in East Thirsk which would be supplied as a matter of course. It was agreed that this Council will apply for a notice board if the E.T.C.A. will be responsible for the cost of its erection and maintenance.

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Yorkshire L.C.A. List of dates for 1991 meetings presented.

Copy Letters Copies of letters from the Chamber of Trade to the District Council and the Secretary of the Racecourse, presented.

Mrs. Reynard Letter presented referring to 1. The filling in of flower troughs at Town End. This is the responsibility of Sowerby Parish Council. 2. The marking out of parking spaces on the Market Place with white lines. Although the Town Council had not been notified that the lining was to take place, members agreed that it assisted parking, hoped it would be retained but future lining should be toned down. 3. More shrubs are needed for Mill Gardens. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Bell 'that Coun. Roberts be empowered to spend up to £50.00 on shrubs for Mill Gardens.' Agreed.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0148A</u>	Mr. Ala Uddin	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0310C</u>	Post Office Counters Limited	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0057B</u>	Tudland Limited	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0033C</u>	Thirsk Car Care Centre Limited	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/90/152/0197L Alterations & Extension to Existing Disused Restaurant to Form a Nursing Home & Construction of a Building to Comprise 20 Residential Units at Stoneybrough for Mr. C. B. Simpson.
The Council are concerned at the width of the access road to the flats and the level of car parking spaces to serve both buildings. It is also considered that the flats are a fire risk.

2/90/152/0017G Outline Application for the Construction of a Bungalow & Domestic Garage at Land Adjacent to Millbank Court for Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0045A Extension to Existing Dwelling at 86, St. James' Green for Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0401 Formation of a Vehicle Hardstanding at Land at the Rear of Lloyds Bank for Action Data Systems.
The Council are concerned that trees will be removed and would prefer the sapling to be retained.

2/90/152/0158C Application for Listed Building Consent for Internal Alteration to Existing Hotel at the Golden Fleece for Principal Hotels.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0394A Amended Plan for Residential Development at the Marage/Kirkgate for Mr. J. Bell.
Recommend Approval.
 Coun. Bell Declared an Interest in the above.

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- 2/90/152/0034B Alterations & Extension to Existing Hotel at The Three Tuns for Mrs. R. M. Robinson.
No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0034C Listed Building Consent for the Above.
- 2/90/152/0402 Application for Conservation Consent for the Demolition, Prior to Reconstruction, of Part of Existing Dwelling at 17, Ingramgate for M. Dodds.
No Objections providing that the materials & windows are the same as the originals.
- 2/90/152/0119C Installation of a Satellite Dish at Ye Old Three Tuns for Mr. & Mrs. Gowdy.
Recommend Refusal. The Satellite Dish is already in place and should be sited at the rear.

Accounts The following accounts were approved for payment. Prop. Coun. Davison, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - September	- £355.50✓
Yorkshire Water	- Water Charges - Cem. Lodge - 2nd Inst.	- £ 75.56✓
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol	- £ 11.52✓
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 1 x August	- £ 77.05✓
P. Smith	- Salary - July - Sept.	£495.00✓
	Incl. Incr. agreed Dec. '89)	
	Administrative Expenses	£ 78.99✓ - £573.99 ✓

Additional Accounts

K. Reynard	- Reimbursement of cost of paint	- £ 9.49✓
Thirsk Parish Map	- Donation	- £ 5.00✓
Stuart Lowe	- Weedkiller for Cemetery	- £ 12.31✓

Reports

Coun. Murkett reported on the L.C.A. Training Weekend which covered several topics relevant to this Council and recommended that new members should attend a future one.

Coun. Murkett reported that he and Coun. Salmon had been to the Cemetery and found the books correct. Improvements to the system had been suggested to the Cemetery Superintendent. Coun. Salmon recommended that the County Archivist be consulted about the conservation of the old parchment plan and books in the office.

Coun. Salmon reported on a meeting of the C.A.B. which was the last one attended by the retiring Organiser, Mrs. Kennedy. It was agreed to write to the Hambleton C.A.B. congratulating them on their efforts in helping the community and welcoming the new Organiser. Coun. Salmon suggested that the Council might consider making a contribution to C.A.B.

Any Other Business

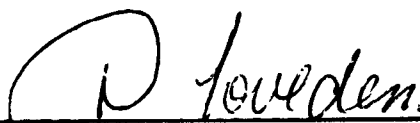
Dogs Coun. Salmon showed members a publication on the Control of Dogs, copies of which have been requested.

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Yorkshire Agricultural Society Coun. Bell stated that the Society are seeking a new venue for the Yorkshire Show and require a site of 500 acres.

Crossroads Commercials The Chairman stated that he has received complaints that Crossroads Commercials are operating in the early mornings, evenings and at weekends, causing a nuisance to the occupants of nearby residences. It was agreed to draw this to the attention of the Enforcement Officer.

The Meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

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Chairman

15/10/96 .

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 15th October 1990 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, J. M. Salmon, P. J. M. Benson, S. I. Clements, A. J. Davison, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, H. D. Craig, R. S. Hall, J. Bell.

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

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Seats Coun. Hall reported that the Rotary Club will consider undertaking responsibility for all the presentation seats in the Market Place if details are submitted to the Community Services Chairman. Coun. Craig will provide details of other seats in the parish in need of repair.

Road - The Green (F. D. Todd & Sons) Coun. Bell stated that he has held discussions with Mr. Todd.

Thirsk Local Plan Copy received of the Thirsk Local Plan which was adopted on 28th August 1990 as the Statutory Local Plan for the area and will remain operative until 1996.

Litter Bins The Clerk had been notified that it is hoped to site a new litter bin outside the veterinary surgery in the near future. Bins for the other sites will be supplied when available.

Inventories Coun. Craig will submit the inventories at the next meeting.

Finance Sub Committee Another date to be arranged for the sub committee to meet.

Chapel Street A letter from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stated that the improvement scheme to the Swimming Baths does not include the improvement of the access road, firstly because most of Chapel Street is an adopted highway for which the County Council is responsible and secondly because the District Council do not own the intervening land between the end of the public highway and the Swimming Pool car park. It would however, be difficult to maintain that the section of access in question is particularly adequate in either design or maintenance and enquiries are being made with County Council about the possible costs of carrying out works. This is merely an enquiry and is in no way an indication of what the District Council might do and if it were willing to contribute to any improvement, almost certainly contributions from others would be expected.

Christmas Lights Coun. Hall produced a breakdown of the costs of Christmas Lighting and told the meeting that if the Christmas Tree and three strings of lights are to be illuminated from 10th December to 2nd January 1991 and the moulded decorations put up and dismantled at the Council's expense, a further £200.00 would need to be added to the budget. If the decorations were to become the responsibility of the traders approximately £400.00 would be saved. It was agreed that it is too late to expect to hand over the decorations this year. cont/

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Christmas Lights Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Craig 'that the budget be increased by £200.00 this year, and the traders be asked to undertake responsibility from now on.' Agreed. Coun. Hall agreed to explain the situation to all the traders concerned.

Bus Shelter Letter received from Adshel stating that neither Thirsk nor Northallerton would meet the Adshel marketing criteria, based on population. The Chairman reported on a meeting with Mr. Richold, of the architects acting for the Post Office, also attended by Coun. Murkett, the Clerk and a representative of the contractors. A compromise had been reached regarding the scaffolding to be used on the building whereby access to the bus shelter will be maintained. It was agreed to enquire of Adshel if they sell bus shelters.

Notice Board for East Thirsk Reply awaited from the E.T.C.A regarding responsibility for the notice board.

Cemetery Plan & Books A meeting with the Assistant County Archivist has been arranged for Wednesday, 17th October.

Heavy Traffic through Thirsk Coun. Salmon referred to a press report which stated that improvements to be carried out at Skipton Bridge include traffic lights and a weight restriction on vehicles crossing the bridge. It was agreed to write to the County Surveyor requesting confirmation of this and of the findings of the survey of heavy traffic passing through Thirsk.

Action on Smoking and Health It was agreed to support the principles of A.S.H. but not to pay a subscription.

Correspondence

Grave Mats The Clerk reported that a quotation of £140.00 + V.A.T. had been obtained for the supply of a set of Grave Mats. £100.00 had been allocated for this purpose in the budget. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that a set of mats be purchased.' Agreed. ✓

Waste Disposal Sites Within Parish Boundaries Letter presented from the County Surveyor requesting information on former refuse sites. No information available.

Thirsk Parochial Church Council Letter presented from the Honorary Treasurer of Thirsk P.C.C. Churchyard Fund stating that because of a new 'environmentally friendly' grass cutting technique they will not be asking for a contribution towards the churchyard upkeep for the year 1990. It was agreed to suggest that the P.C.C. consider replacing the railings around the churchyard which would be eligible for a C.A.P.E. Scheme grant, stating that the Council would be willing to donate the amount that would have been available towards the churchyard upkeep.

Open Spaces Society Letter presented from the Open Spaces Society regarding its work and requesting a donation. As the Town Council already pays a £10.00 annual subscription it was agreed not to make a further donation.

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Town Maps & Guides Letters and sample maps received from Priory Publishing and Codair Design & Publicity offering to produce a map or town guide free of charge in exchange for the right to approach local businesses for advertising support. It was agreed to invite both companies to meet with the Council and involve the Chamber of Trade and Tourist Information Centre.

Variations to Bus Services Notice received that the service from Osmotherley to Thirsk has been cancelled and the Winter timetable will be introduced on 29th October in respect of Services 325/364/363 - Hull to Thirsk.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Letter received from the Secretary regarding the Fire Officer's recommendations which need to be carried out in order for the Entertainments Licence to be renewed. One estimate had been obtained in February and this has now risen by 5%. Sowerby Parish Council had requested a meeting of the two Councils and this was arranged for 25th October.

Report on Trees - The Holmes A letter from Mr. A. M. Duckworth detailed the works carried out on the trees and suggested the removal of old decayed stumps before the next grass cutting season, stating that the stumps are well decayed and could be easily removed by a J.C.B. digging machine. Coun. Roberts stated that the Inner Wheel and Rotary Club are willing to donate new trees. It was reported that Dr. Thiede has also offered to provide a tree. It was agreed that tree planting arrangements should be left to the Greens & Holmes Sub Committee. Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Salmon 'that the Sub Committee be empowered to obtain a bulldozer to remove the stumps'. Agreed.

Bus Shelter Letter received from the Chamber of Trade supporting the Town Council's efforts to resolve the bus shelter situation without the direct or indirect use of any ratepayers' money. Letter received from Mr. P. Hatch regarding the bus shelter and footpath outside the former Post Office. The Chairman stated that he has obtained two quotations for refurbishing the present bus shelter which could be the basis of this Council's contribution towards a replacement shelter. Members were concerned at the lack of progress regarding the resiting and replacement of the bus shelter. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Salmon 'that if the Council have not heard from the Post Office by 31st December 1990 that the present bus shelter will be removed and replaced by one approved by, and at no cost to, the Town Council, the present shelter will be refurbished and remain on its present site.' Voting - 9 in Favour - 1 Against. (Coun. Benson was of the opinion that the date should be 30th November 1990.) Mr. Richold, of the Post Office Architects, to be notified of this decision, with a copy to Mr. Erbe, Principal Engineer H.D.C.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Donald Jeffrey Moore and Anne Moore to apply for the licence in respect of the Lord Nelson.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0394A</u>	K. G. Riley	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0398</u>	Northern Electric PLC	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0394A</u>	Mr. J. Bell	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0009G</u>	S & B Construction	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:
2/90/152/0403 Extension to Existing Dwelling at 15, Waterside for Mr. S. T. Bulmer.

No Objections.

2/90/152/0404 Change of Use of Existing Shop to a Cafe and Ice Cream Parlour to Include an Extension to Provide Additional Staff Accommodation and an Access to Existing First Floor Flat at 66A, Market Place for F. & A. W. Knowles.
No Objections.

2/90/152/0399A Use of First Floor of Existing Shop as Tea Rooms at 25, Market Place for R. A. Bedford.
Query the accuracy of the Plan and enquire whether the premises conform with fire regulations.

Accounts The following accounts were presented and approved. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Benson.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - October	-	£355.50✓
Power Point	-	Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks to 6.9.90	-	£ 69.00✓
" "	-	Oil	-	£ 8.05✓
Sowerby P. C.	-	Contribution to Grass Cutting on The Flatts - as agreed	-	£186.67✓
A. M. Duckworth	-	Tree Works on The Holmes as Quotation-	-	£730.25✓
M. T. Shipton	-	Replacing Wall Copings - Mill Gardens- as Quotation	-	£299.00✓

Additional Accounts

F. D. Todd & Sons	-	Emptying Cemetery Skip	-	£ 36.40✓
Fox's of Thirsk	-	Materials for preserving seats	-	£ 11.55✓
G. Dale	-	Winter feed for geese and ducks	-	£ 5.00✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

Mr. & Mrs. R. S. Hall	Grave Space 1A	Section E1	£ 70.00✓
Michael McGovern	Grave Space 1	Section E3	£140.00✓
Mr. & Mrs. B. McGovern	Grave Space 2	Section E3	£140.00✓

Reports

Coun. Murkett reported that young ducks have been reared on Cod Beck. It is necessary to buy winter feed for the geese and ducks and for which a cheque for £5.00 was approved. ✓

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Coun. Murkett reported that the first of the pedestrian refuges is to be installed in Long Street in the very near future. The others will be installed when the sites have been agreed. It is understood that the refuges will be illuminated.

Coun. Salmon reported that the request from the Citizens Advice Bureau to the Hambleton District Council for a funding increase had been refused. Coun. Murkett stated that an increase of £2,000.00 more than last year is to be recommended to the full Council. Coun. Salmon will report further at the next meeting.

The Chairman reported that he has been invited by the Lord Mayor of York to attend the Ales Assizes, a charity event, on 20th October.

Any Other Business

Cones Coun. Roberts referred to cones and netting which have been outside the Nat/West Bank and the Nationwide Anglia Estate Agents for some considerable time. Coun. Craig stated that they had been put there because the ground was sinking and will investigate further.

British Council for Shopping Centres Coun. Salmon referred to the organisation which requires one person to promote shopping centres and market places. It was agreed that this should be followed up.

The meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.



Chairman

12/11/90

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 12th November 1990 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, J. M. Salmon, R. S. Hall, P. J. M. Benson, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. Bell.

Apologies for Absence received from Coun. D. E. Loveden (on holiday).

Chairman In the absence of Coun. Loveden, the Chair was taken by the Vice Chairman, Coun. Murkett.

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

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Seats Letter received from the Community Services Chairman of the Rotary Club stating that the Club's ruling is that they cannot undertake responsibility for the seats. The Club's main aim is to set up initiatives from time to time on the clear understanding that ongoing maintenance etc., would need to be funded from other resources.

Road - The Green (F. D. Todd & Sons) Coun. Bell stated that the matter is in Mr. Todd's hands.

Litter Bins Letter received from the Chief Environmental Health Officer stating that he will make every effort to replace the bin outside the 'Herriot' surgery with a victoriana style litter bin from current stock. Other bins will be provided as requested as soon as it is possible to do so.

Inventories Coun. Craig has checked the inventory for the Cemetery and will check the contents of the Little Green shed in the near future.

Christmas Lights It was reported that the Chamber of Trade's plans are proceeding and that their lights will be illuminated on the same date as those of the Town Council.

Notice Board for East Thirsk Reply still awaited from E.T.C.A.

Cemetery Plan & Books Coun. Murkett & Coun. Salmon reported on a meeting with the Assistant County Archivist. Arrangements were being made for the cemetery plan to be reproduced. Many of the old records could be stored in the County Archives. The Assistant County Archivist will submit a report and recommendations at a later date.

Heavy Traffic through Thirsk A letter from the County Surveyor stated that members of No. 1 Area Highway Sub Committee have agreed that the proposals for Skipton Bridge should be re-submitted to Hambleton and Harrogate District Councils for comment and this consultation is currently taking place. No decision was taken on either the installation of traffic signals or the imposition of a weight restriction on the bridge. The survey of H.G.V.'s passing through Thirsk was carried out earlier in the year along with other similar surveys. To date, the analysis of the Thirsk survey has not been/cont.

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concluded. It was agreed to reply objecting to any proposal to widen the bridge, requesting that a weight restriction be imposed and referring to promises made by a member of the County Surveyor's department at a meeting in May. It was also agreed to forward copies of the County Surveyor's letter to parishes represented at the meeting.

Open Spaces Society Letter received stating that subscriptions for parish and town councils are to be increased to £20.00 in 1991. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Roberts 'to find out the benefits of belonging to the society'. Voting 3 in Favour - 4 Against. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall 'that the Bankers Order paying the annual subscription be cancelled.' Agreed.

Trees - The Holmes A letter from the Inner Wheel stated that they are willing to provide a tree. Coun. Roberts stated that the Rotary Club will provide three trees. Coun. Benson also offered to provide a tree. It was agreed that the schools should be invited to be involved in the tree planting.

Bus Shelter Letter received from Adshel stating that they have been approached by the Hind Woodhouse Partnership regarding the provision of a bus shelter for the Market Place and have asked the Leeds office to contact both them and this Council. The Clerk reported that Mr. Richold of the architects acting for the Post Office has arranged a meeting with Mr. Adams of the Chief Planner's department at Stone Cross on Tuesday, 20th November at 9.30 a.m. to which members of this Council are invited. Members agreed that the decision made at the October meeting, with regard to the bus shelter, stands.

British Council for Shopping Centres Coun. Salmon is obtaining information about this organisation.

Report on Meeting held to Discuss the Town Hall Coun. Roberts reported that the meeting was attended by 5 members of the Town Council and 6 members of Sowerby Parish Council where it had been agreed that they did not wish to lose the Town Hall. It had been decided to put the work in hand after a meeting has been held with the new Fire Officer. Mr. Johnston will draw up a specification for the work and tenders will be sought. Coun. Hall was of the opinion that usage of the Town Hall will go down and increase the cost to the councils. School halls, which are a more attractive venue, will be used in preference to the Town Hall. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Hall 'that involvement with the Town Hall should be reviewed on an annual basis'. Voting - 5 in Favour - 1 Against - 1 Abstention. It was stressed that there is no criticism of the Town Hall Committee from this Council.

Town Map Coun. Roberts reported on a meeting with representatives of Codair Design and Publicity Ltd which was attended by Coun. Loveden, Coun. Murkett, the Clerk, the Chairman of the Chamber of Trade and herself. The Manager of the Tourist Information Centre was unable to be present but wished to be involved and had provided editorial material. Codair would provide 4,000 copies of the chosen map free of charge in exchange for the right to obtain advertising. They/cont

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would require the use of a telephone facility and assurance that the maps would be distributed. The company would also require a letter of introduction to potential advertisers. Coun. Murkett stated that he had arranged for the use of the telephone at the Tourist Information Centre and that the maps would be stored and distributed from there. A contract was presented for signing. Members would not agree to it being signed due to it stating that the Town Council shall provide a telephone facility and be responsible for distribution. Prop. Coun. Bell, sec. Coun. Hall ' that the Contract should be altered indicating that the T.I.C. are responsible for the telephone and distribution' **Voting - 6 in Favour - 1 Against.** Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Bell 'that if this is agreed, the Contract be signed.' Agreed.

Correspondence

Public Rights of Way Letter received from the County Surveyor regarding this Council's application to add routes to the Definitive Map, stating that it is essential that all owners and occupiers of properties which the path runs across or properties which are adjacent to the path have notice served upon them. Insufficient evidence has been supplied for the concrete road parallel to the A19 to be claimed as a bridleway and it is recommended that the application is resubmitted claiming a footpath.

Civil Defence Community Adviser Course 1991 Notice received of a course to be held in the County Emergency Centre, County Hall on 17th, 24th 31st January and 7th, 14th and 21st February.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Mrs. Susan Eileen King to apply for the transfer of the Justices' Licence in respect of Slicks Bistro.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Edward Strike and Ian Smith to apply for the transfer of the Justices' Licence in respect of 65, Market Place, Thirsk (N.Y. Co-op.).

Grant Aid Information Leaflets received from the Leisure Services Officer H.D.C. giving details of schemes of grant aid assistance.

East Thirsk Community Association Notice received of a meeting to be held on 15th November at 73, Hambleton Avenue.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0400</u>	John Smith and Sons	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0045A</u>	Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0158A</u>	Principal Hotels	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0158B</u>	Principal Hotels	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0158C</u>	Principal Hotels (John Rafferty)	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following planning applications:
2/90/152/0402A Extensions to Existing Dwelling at 17, Ingramgate for Mr. M. Dodds.
No Objections providing that the Conservation Officer finds the plan acceptable.

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- 2/90/152/0338C Extension to Existing Shop by Incorporating the Use of the Ground Floor of an Existing Adjacent Dwelling at 13, Kirkgate for John Bell. Coun. Bell Declared an Interest in this application.
No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0406 Extension to Existing Dwelling at 100, Norby for Mr. M. Tame.
No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0334D Display of an Internally Illuminated Fascia Sign and an Internally Illuminated Projecting Sign at 48, Market Place for Granada U.K. Rental & Retail Ltd.
Recommend Refusal on the grounds that the Signs by reason of their illumination, size & materials would be detrimental to the amenities of the Conservation Area.
- 2/90/152/0405 Alteration & Extension to Existing Bungalow to Form 2 Dwelling Units at 'Marder Lorose', Hambleton Drive for Mr. K. D. Rose.
No Objections.
- 2/90/152/0407 Additional Use of Existing Dwelling in Connection with a Taxi Business at 64, St. Mary's Walk for Mrs. M. Selby.
Recommend Refusal in support of the Objections of Nearby Residents on the grounds of noise.

Planning Sub Committee It was agreed that in view of the dates of the District Council's Planning Meetings, it will be necessary for the Sub Committee to make comments on planning applications at least for the first few months of 1991.

Accounts The following Accounts were approved for payment. Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - November	- £355.50✓
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks to 4.19.90.	- £ 69.00✓
L. Howgate & Son	- 1 Set of Grave Mats for Cemetery	- £161.00✓
Shaw & Sons Ltd	- Register of Burials	- £ 97.75✓

Additional Accounts

Earl Haig Poppy Fd-	Wreath for Remembrance Sunday	- £ 12.00✓
K. Reynard	- Work In Mill Gardens - April - October	- £155.00✓
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol	- £ 12.06✓
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 2 x Sept. 1 x October	- £231.15✓

Reports

Coun. Hall reported that the Chamber of Trade are putting up lights and decorations on the North side of the Market Place at Christmas.

Coun. Bell reported that he had attended a meeting of the Governors of Thirsk County Primary School as this Council's representative.

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Coun. Salmon reported that the Citizens Advice Bureau are experiencing funding difficulties.

Coun. Roberts reported that she had attended the A.G.M. of the Yorkshire Rural Community Council.

Any Other Business

Geese It was agreed to accept Mr. Dale's offer to take the geese into safe keeping over the Christmas period.

Aspect Homes At the suggestion of Coun. Murkett, it was agreed to congratulate Aspect Homes on their redevelopment of the Golden Lion Hotel and Yard.

John Smith & Sons At the suggestion of Coun. Bell it was agreed to congratulate John Smith & Sons on the improvements carried out to the frontage of their premises in the Market Place.

Advertising Boards Coun. Hall commented on the unsightly boards outside the Golden Fleece Hotel. It was agreed to draw this to the attention of the Divisional Surveyor and also to enquire of him the reason for the area outside the Nat/West Bank and Nationwide Anglia Estate Agents being coned off.

Finance Sub Committee A meeting was arranged for 27th November.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.



Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, 27th November 1990 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, R. S. Hall, H. D. Craig, J. Bell.

Apologies for Absence received from Couns. Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. M. Salmon, A. J. Davison.

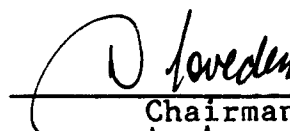
Bus Shelter The Chairman reported on a meeting at Stone Cross, held to discuss the bus shelter, attended by himself, Coun. Craig and the Clerk from this Council, Mr. Jewitt, Mr. Adams and Mr. Erbe of H.D.C. Mr. Richold, the architect acting for the Post Office, and three representatives of the Post Office. The District Council officers had stated that an Adshel shelter would not be acceptable and the preferred type would be to the design already submitted by themselves. Funds available are £2,000 from the District Council, £2,000 from the County Council, £3,000 from the Post Office. Contributions from these sources would not be increased. The Chairman had stated that he felt the Town Council would be willing to contribute up to £1,500 which is the cost of refurbishing the present bus shelter. Mr. Erbe had obtained a quotation in the region of £11,000 for a shelter to their design which had open ends. Mr. Richold offered to design a shelter on the same lines as that of the District Council, also including one end, and to try to obtain a quotation which was within the funds available. It was pointed out that the budget had to include the cost of erecting the new shelter, demolishing the old one and making good the area where it stands. This was acceptable to all present. Mr. Richold also offered to submit a planning application on behalf of the Town Council and to pay the planning fee. He would have plans available within a few days and the Chairman had agreed to call a special meeting of the Town Council to discuss them.

At this special meeting, the design for a new bus shelter was presented together with a plan indicating a site at the west end of the old Post Office building - partly on the path and part on the cobbled area. The plan indicated that Yorkstone paving will be continued inside the bus shelter to match the adjacent path. The shelter will be enclosed at the west end.

Prop. Coun. Loveden, sec. Coun. Murkett ' That the design and site be accepted and that this Council make a contribution of £1,500.00 towards the cost.' Agreed.

It was agreed that the new shelter should be erected before the old one is demolished.

The meeting closed at 7.25 p.m.


 Chairman
 10/12/90

Estimated Expenditure
Allocated or Carried
Forward
Financial Year
1990/91

Sub Committee
Recommendations
For Expenditure
Financial Year
1991/92

	£		£
Cemetery Paths	850	(838)	850
Cemetery Walls	300	(300)	300
Cemetery Lodge	150	(150)	50
Hire of Grass Cutter	600	(100)	500
Petrol & Oil	280	(150)	50
Emptying Skip	180		200
New Grass Mats	100	-40	
Cemetery Superintendent	3864		3996
Water Rates & Poll Tax All.	610	(57)	610
Clerk	2200	(265)	2200
Administration & Audit	650	(100)	650
Stationery	250	(50)	250
Travel & Courses	460	(300)	200
Insurances	490	(78)	500
Street Sweeping	3350	(500)	2700
Christmas Lights	1000	-200	1200
Subs. (Inc. L.C.A.)	234	(48)	250
Donations	60	(55)	50
St. Mary's Churchyard	250	(250)	
Town Hall	1830	(910)	to be agreed with S.P.C
Castlegate Youth Club	200	(200)	
Mill Gardens etc.	550		550
Seats	1000	(1000)	200
Town Clock	70		80
Court House Hire	110		125
The Holmes	700	(35)	700
Play Equipment	250	(250)	
Chairman's Allowance	200	(100)	100
The Greens	300	(300)	300
Grass Cutting	1200	(262)	1200
Flatts Grass Cutting	233	(46)	230
Miscellaneous	300	(220)	
Election			1000
Bus Shelter			500
		6324	
Clerk's Gratuity Fund	3064	(3064)	750
Burial Board Office			500
Thirsk School Youth Club			200
			20991

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The amounts in brackets are being carried over from the current year
It is recommended that the allowance for St. Mary's Churchyard be paid
to the Fabric Fund, the balance of £100 in the Chairman's allowance be
used as a Hospitality Fund, the £200 allocated for Castlegate Youth
Centre be paid to them and the amount not taken by the Clerk as a rise
be transferred to the Gratuity Fund.
A Precept of £17,000 is recommended.

<u>Income (Est.) 90/91</u>	
<u>Precept</u>	£17,000.00
<u>Refund of V.A.T</u>	£ 499.00
<u>B.S. Interest (Est.)</u>	£ 1,100.00
<u>B.B. Income (Est.)</u>	£ 2,400.00
<u>Deposit Account Bal.</u>	£ 163.00
	<u>£21,162.00</u>

<u>B.S. Account</u>	£19,824.00
<u>-Ant. Expend</u>	£ 7,300.00
<u>to 31.3.91</u>	<u>£12,524.00</u>
<u>- Bus Shelter</u>	£ 1,500.00
	<u>£11,024.00</u>
<u>- Balances</u>	£ 6,324.00
	<u>£ 4,700.00</u>
<u>+ B.S. Int.</u>	£ 1,100.00
<u>+ B. B. Inc.</u>	£ 200.00
	<u>£ 6,000.00</u>

Burial Board Income of £2,200.00 has already been received and is included in the balances, the further £200.00 is a rough estimate of the amount which may be received between now and the end of March 91.

Burial Board income to date exceeds that for 1989/90 by £300.00 and may not be repeated.

Minutes of Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 10th December 1990 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. Bell, J. M. Salmon, R. S. Hall, S. I Clements.

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

Bus Shelter The Minutes of the meeting, convened to make a decision on the bus shelter, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Road - The Green (F. D. Todd & Sons) Nothing reported.

Inventories Inventory of the contents of the Little Green shed still awaited.

Notice Board for East Thirsk Letter received from the E.T.C.A. stating that they have identified the owners of the land on which they wish to site a notice board and have received permission to do so. Confirmation still awaited from the Association that they will accept responsibility for the erection and maintenance of the notice board.

Heavy Traffic through Thirsk It was reported that the District Council Planning Committee are opposed to Skipton Bridge being widened and are in favour of a weight restriction and the installation of traffic lights.

Trees - The Holmes Nothing reported.

Town Map It was reported that an amended contract had been signed. A letter from Codair Design & Publicity Ltd stated that sales of advertising have been successfully completed and the publication was well supported by local businessmen.

Public Rights of Way An application has been submitted for the concrete road parallel to the A19 to be claimed as a footpath and owners of adjoining land notified. A claim for the footpath to the rear of North Lodge will be submitted in the near future.

Advertising Boards A letter from the Divisional Surveyor N.Y.C.C. stated that only recently a concerted effort was made to clear advertising boards from footways in the Thirsk locality. All tradesmen who were displaying signs which constituted an obstruction to the footway were contacted and handed an advisory note regarding the illegal signs. One week later some signs were removed from the highway and brought to the N.Y.C.C. depot where they remained until they were recovered by the respective owners. It was intended to continue the operation but the inspector delegated to the task has been absent from work. On his return it is intended to actively pursue the removal of advertising signs which blatantly obstruct the footways in and around Thirsk.

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Nationwide Anglia Estate Agents A letter from the Divisional Surveyor N.Y.C.C. stated that the cellar of this building was examined by officers of Hambleton District Council and it was considered that the foundations of the building were structurally unsound. A notice was served by the District Council on the owners of the premises to carry out such work as to make the building safe. The traffic cones and protective barrier were placed in order to keep the public away from the unsound area in the interests of safety to pedestrians, should any collapse of the building or cellar under the footway occur.

Recommendations of the Finance Sub Committee for the 1991/92 Precept A statement showing current balances and recommendations for expenditure for 1991/92 had been circulated to members. Recommendations included increases for the Cemetery Superintendent and Clerk, that the allowance for St. Mary's Church be paid to the Fabric Fund, the balance of £100 in the Chairman's Allowance be available for a Hospitality Fund, the £200 allocated for the Castlegate Youth Centre be paid to them and a similar amount be allocated for Thirsk School Youth Club, the amount not taken by the Clerk as an increase in salary be transferred to the Gratuity Fund and that £500 be available for the Town Hall if Sowerby Parish Council are allocating a similar sum. Taking estimated balances into account a precept of £17,000.00 is recommended. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall 'that the Sub Committee's recommendations be accepted and a Precept of £17,000.00 be made'. Agreed. Coun. Murkett recommended that the amounts allocated for work at the Cemetery be utilised. A letter from the Treasurer H.D.C. stated that the number of people on the Community Charge Register for Thirsk as at 9th November 1990 was 3254. The Precept will be paid in two equal instalments - on 30th April and 30th September 1991. With regard to any balances which were left on accounts under the old rating system, at 31st March 1990, no instruction has yet been received from the Department of the Environment as to how they are to be cleared and no account should be taken of them when assessing the precept.

Town Map Sub Committee The Chairman stated that as the Town Map is being produced at no cost to the Council he considered that a sub committee should be formed and be empowered to make decisions without having to consult the full Council. It was agreed that a sub committee consisting of the members who attended the meeting to discuss the map, The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Coun. Roberts, be formed and make the necessary decisions.

Seminar for Prospective Councillors The Chairman referred to seminars which are being held under the auspices of the Y.L.C.A. on 'Standing for Election 1991' and suggested that the Town Council organise one in Thirsk on 28th February 1991. Members agreed that arrangements should be left to the Chairman and Clerk. The Chairman stated that there would be expenses occurred in advertising, hiring a room and providing refreshments. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Hall 'that expenses of up to £100.00 be allowed.' Agreed.

Public Conveniences The Chairman stated that he had received complaints about the 'Gents' in the Market Place. /cont.

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Coun. Craig stated that the District Council have been notified of the problem. Members referred to the possible privatisation of the toilets. It was agreed to write to the Chief Environmental Health Officer congratulating him on his department's successful tender for refuse collection and enquiring about the current situation with regard to the privatisation of the public conveniences.

Correspondence

Northallerton District Community Health Council Copy of the Annual Report presented together with an offer for the Secretary to attend a meeting to speak on the work of the Council.

Resignation Letter of resignation received from Councillor Benson due to increasing work and family commitments. The Chairman told the meeting that as the letter had arrived when he was on holiday it had not been presented at the last meeting. A Casual Vacancy was declared. As it has occurred within six months of the local elections there is no obligation to fill it. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall 'that the vacancy should not be filled.' Agreed. A letter had been received nominating a candidate to fill the vacancy. It was agreed that the person be invited to the seminar for prospective councillors.

Conservation Area Preservation & Enhancement Schemes Details received of schemes which could attract 25% grant in the next financial year.

Complaint - Long Street Letter received from Mr. J. R. Wood of Long Street referring to a press report that the Town Council were giving support to the residents of St. Mary's Walk in their objections, on the grounds of noise, to a taxi business being run from a private dwelling. Mr. Wood referred to the noise and nuisance being caused to himself and neighbours from the Indian Takeaway in Long Street for which planning permission had been granted despite objections from residents and which were supported by the Town Council. Hambleton District Council had informed him that the nuisance was a matter for the police. It was pointed out that St. Mary's Walk is a residential area and Long Street is partly commercial but agreed to write to the police asking if they can take action to alleviate the problems for the residents.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of John Joseph Knight to apply for the transfer of the Justices' Licence in respect of Kirkgate Guest House.

Parish Government Conference Notice received of a Conference, sponsored by Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd., to be held at The Spa Complex Scarborough - 15th/17th March 1991. A fee of £30.00 + V.A.T. covers lunches, dinners and all Conference expenses from Friday teatime until after Sunday lunch. Delegates will have to book their own bed and breakfast accommodation. Closing date for bookings is 1st February 1991. It was agreed to pay the fees for two delegates.

Burial and Cemetery Records Letter received from the Assistant County Archivist regarding suggestions made when she visited the Burial Board Office and examined the records and enclosing a list of Burial Board records already deposited at the Record Office. The records /cont.

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which are still held at the cemetery, but are no longer required for current administrative purposes could possibly be added to those deposited there. Of the records held at the cemetery the registers of burials and graves are for the most part in good condition but one of the plans showing grave locations is badly worn. It is important that the records are protected from damage, including wear and tear through frequent use and it was suggested that - 1. The registers should be completed in registrar's ink rather than washable ink or biro. 2. The existing metal filing cabinet gives a certain amount of protection from possible fire or water damage and can be locked but a similar type of cabinet with shelves would be preferable for the volumes which may easily be damaged when being taken out of or replaced in the drawers. 3.. The registers which are almost full could be closed and new volumes begun. This would make the old registers available for microfilming by the Record Office and for rebinding where necessary. Only volumes which have to be updated need be kept at the cemetery and others could be deposited at the Record Office for safe keeping. 4. Copies in the form of microfilm printouts could be supplied for reference at the cemetery to prevent wear and tear on originals. 5. A master copy should be made of the plan of the cemetery and all the information contained on the existing plans should be copied onto it. The master plan could be updated from time to time but other copies should be made for day to day use, as these will inevitably become worn. The existing, very damaged map could then be deposited at the Record Office and repaired and/or microfilmed as appropriate. The Assistant County Archivist also stated that she will arrange another visit to the Burial Board Office as soon as time will allow. It was agreed that registrar's ink and a suitable pen be purchased for the Cemetery Superintendent and the Chairman will ask Mr. R. Gibson if he will copy the plan.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0402</u>	Michael Dodds	Granted
<u>2/90/152/402A</u>	Michael Dodds	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0403</u>	Mr. S. T. Bulmer	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following planning applications:

<u>2/90/152/0334E</u>	Application for Listed Building Consent for the Display of an Internally Illuminated Fascia Sign and An Internally Illuminated Projecting Sign at 48, Market Place for Granada Retail and Rental. <u>Recommend Refusal on the Grounds that the Signs by reason of their size, illumination and materials would be detrimental to the amenities of the Conservation Area.</u>
<u>2/90/152/0338D</u>	Application for Listed Building Consent for Alterations to Existing Shop and Dwelling at 13, Kirkgate for John Bell. <u>Recommend Approval. Coun. Bell Declared an Interest in this Application.</u>

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- 2/90/152/0408 Outline application for the Construction of a Dwelling at Land Adjacent to 53, Gormire Close for Hambleton District Council.
Recommend Approval by a Vote of 2 For - 2 Against - 4 Abstentions. Chairman's Casting Vote in Favour.
- 2/90/152/0409 Outline Application for the Construction of 4 Flats at Land Off Gormire Close for H.D.C.
Recommend Approval if for Rent for Persons on the Housing List. 4 For - 1 Against - 3 Abstentions.
- 2/90/152/0410 Outline Application for 6 Dwellinghouses at Land Off Dowber Way for H.D.C.
Recommend Approval if for Rent for Aged Persons. 5 For - 2 Against - 1 Abstention.
- 2/90/152/0411 Outline Application for the Construction of 8 Dwellinghouses at Land Off Dowber Lane for H.D.C.
Recommend Refusal - The site is in too close proximity to the bypass. A precedent would be set by bringing housing near to a noisy bypass and by allowing housing on that side of Dowber Lane. The trees on the site were planted as a noise barrier to the bypass. 7 For - 1 Against.
- 2/90/152/0158D Alterations and Extensions to Golden Fleece Hotel for Principal Hotels PLC.
Recommend Approval but would prefer that the windows in the extension complement those in the existing building.
- 2/90/152/0158E Listed Building Consent for Above.
- 2/90/152/0107G Alterations to Existing Shop and Display of 2 None Illuminated Fascia Signs at 61, Market Place for Woolons and Harwood Ltd.
Recommend Approval. Would prefer the Signs to be of traditional materials.
- 2/90/152/0107H Listed Building Consent for Above.
- 2/90/152/0412 Extension to Existing Dwelling at 9, Darrowby Close for Mr. D. N. Choules.
Recommend Approval but point out there was no drawing showing the dwelling 'as existing'.
- 2/90/152/0413 Construction of a Bus Shelter at Market Place for Thirsk Town Council.
Recommend Approval.
- 2/90/152/0092B Alterations to Existing Dwelling to Form Ground Floor Offices with First Floor Self Contained Flat at 21, Chapel Street for B. Smiths (Thirsk) Ltd.
Recommend Approval.
Coun. Hall Declared an Interest in this Application.

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop.
 Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - December	-	£355.50✓
Power Point	-	Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 Weeks to 1.11.90	-	£ 69.00✓
P. Smith	-	Salary - October - December	-	£495.00✓
		Administrative Expenses	£ 78.78✓	- £573.78✓

Additional Accounts

Power Point	-	Hire of Grass Cutter to 13.11.90	-	£ 29.33✓
Ecclesiastical Stationery Supp.	-	Registrar's Ink	-	£ 2.85✓
Coun. Roberts	-	Reimbursement of Cost of Plants	-	£ 3.00✓
Coun. Murkett	-	Cost of Winter Feed for Geese	-	£ 5.00✓

Reports

Coun. Hall reported that the Christmas Tree is lit but the strings of lights on the south side of the Market Place are not yet illuminated. There had been problems at the north side of the Market Place where it had not been possible for the moulded decorations to be put up because of those of the Chamber of Trade. The Chairman suggested that next year the lights could be switched on from a central point.

Coun. Murkett reported that it is doubtful whether the Council's geese can be rounded up to take to safe keeping over the Christmas period. A cheque in payment for winter feed was requested and signed.

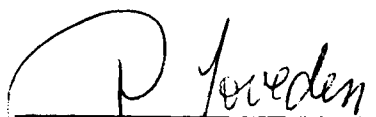
Any Other Business

Flower Trough Coun. Roberts reported that the trough outside the Nat/West Bank has been damaged.

Seats Coun. Craig reported that the seats in the bus shelter have been vandalised. Mr. Hopps to be asked to remove them and submit a quotation for repair to be forwarded to the Council's insurers.

Time for Commencement of Meetings The Chairman expressed concern that some members are arriving late for meetings and was told that 7.00 p.m. is too early. A resolution to be on the next Agenda to amend Standing Orders to allow meetings to commence at 7.15 p.m. throughout the year.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.



Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 21st January 1991 at 7.00 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), J. Bell, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, S. I. Clements, R. S. Hall, D. S. Murkett, J. M. Salmon, A. J. Davison
Apologies for Absence received from Coun. H. D. Craig (indisposed).

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

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Bus Shelter The Clerk reported that planning permission has been granted for the new bus shelter. Mr. Richold had stated that the District Council had miscalculated the costs of demolishing the old shelter and associated works but he hoped to resolve the problem. It will be necessary for the Town Council to transfer the land on which the old shelter stands to the District Council. The District Council will transfer their part of the land on which the new shelter will stand to the Town Council and the Post Office are prepared to grant a lease for 99 years at a peppercorn rent for their part of the land. A request was received from Mr. A. Palliser for the bricks from the ends of the old shelter. It was agreed that he can have them if he negotiates with the contractor.

Road - The Green Coun. Bell stated that agreement has been reached between Mr. Todd and Thirsk Hall Estates.

Inventories Inventory of the contents of the Little Green hut awaited.

Notice Board for East Thirsk Confirmation received from E.T.C.A. that they will accept responsibility for the notice board. Hambleton District Council have been requested to supply one.

Heavy Traffic and Skipton Bridge It was reported that the Road Haulage Association have been pressing the County Council to widen the bridge.

Trees - The Holmes Coun. Bell stated that tree planting will take place in the near future.

Town Map Coun. Murkett had obtained up to date street maps of Thirsk and Sowerby which had been forwarded to Codair. The Planning Department H.D.C. to be thanked for supplying them.

Public Rights of Way The Clerk reported that all the relevant notices have been served in connection with the footpath from the rear of North Lodge to St. Mary's Walk.

Seminar for Prospective Councillors The Chairman stated that the seminar is to be held in the upper room of the Constitutional Club at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, 28th February. A notice has been placed in the Thirsk Advertiser and neighbouring Parish Councils notified. Sowerby Parish Council have agreed to contribute towards the expenses.

Public Conveniences A letter from the Chief Environmental Health Officer stated that this is currently out to tender with an anticipated start date being 1st April 1991.

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Complaint - Long Street A letter from Inspector Ford stated that this is the first intimation of this type of complaint as there have been no reports either to the Police Office or the Officers who regularly patrol the area. The complaint has been noted and Officers will pay attention to the area in question in an effort to nullify further complaints.

Parish Government Course It was agreed to pay the overnight accommodation for two delegates in addition to the course fees. Prop. Coun. Bell, sec. Coun. Salmon 'that a maximum of £30.00 per night be allowed'. Agreed. Coun. Loveden and Coun. Murkett to attend.

Burial Records Two copies of the Cemetery Plan had been made by Mr. R. Gibson and a pen purchased for the Cemetery Record books.

Seats Mr. Hopps had stated that in his opinion one of the seats was beyond repair and the other one would cost in the region of £150.00 to make it suitable for outside use. It was agreed not to proceed with repairs but to keep the wood for future use.

Christmas Lights Coun. Hall stated that the traders had been contacted with regard to the moulded decorations. It was agreed that they should be allowed to keep the timeclocks. The police had apprehended those responsible for vandalising the Christmas Tree. A meeting of the sub committee to be held in the near future.

Time of Commencement of Meetings Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Hall 'that Standing Orders be amended for meetings to commence at 7.15 p.m. throughout the year.' Agreed.

Play and Amenity Areas for East Thirsk Coun. Salmon spoke of the lack of play and amenity areas in East Thirsk and discussion took place on the efforts already made to acquire a play area for small children and general recreation land. It was agreed to ask the East Thirsk Community Association if they will identify sites throughout East Thirsk which they consider suitable as play, recreation or amenity areas, also seeking the views of the residents, and bring their suggestions to the Town Council. Coun. Salmon agreed to liaise between the Association and the Council. The District Council to be asked what progress has been made in acquiring part of the Primary School playing field as a play area for small children.

Cemetery Charges A meeting to be held to review the cemetery charges.

Footpath - The Holmes Following a complaint about the state of the footpath across The Holmes an inspection is to be carried out.

Correspondence

Parish Councillor's Handbook Notice received that an up-dated version of The Parish Councillor's Handbook is now available at £3.00 per copy. Prop. Coun. Loveden, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that 12 copies be purchased for distribution after the elections.' Agreed.

White Mare Roundabout Letter received from Mr. Woods, Divisional Surveyor N.Y.C.C., stating that he is still unable to agree to/cont.

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any contribution to the Town Council for maintenance costs particularly when the County Council have already incurred expense in work being carried out by their own personnel. Mr. Woods referred to the initial agreement regarding the roundabout and suggested that some of the Council members might wish to meet with him to re-appraise the situation. It was agreed to invite Mr. Woods to the next meeting.

National Association of Local Councils Centenary Appeal Letter received from the Appeal Chairman asking for 0.5% of every member council's budget in each of the three years 1991/92, 1992/93 and 1993/94 in order to produce the £750,000.00 needed to secure the NALC its own accommodation in London. A circular from the Y.L.C.A. stated that they will not be recommending support. It was agreed to support the Centenary but not the new accommodation.

Liaison Meeting Notice received from the Y.L.C.A. of a liaison meeting with the District Council to be held at Stone Cross on 26th February, to which two representatives are invited. Coun. Roberts and Coun. Salmon agreed to attend.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Mr. J. J. Knight to apply for the transfer of the Justices Licence in respect of Kirkgate Guest House.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0034B</u>	Mrs. R. M. Robinson	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0034C</u>	Mrs. R. M. Robinson	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0303E</u>	Messrs. Barron & Barron	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0119C</u>	Mr. & Mrs. Gowdy	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0405</u>	Mr. K. D. Rose	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0399A</u>	Mr. R. A. Bedford	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0407</u>	Mrs. M. Selby	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0334D</u>	Granada UK Rental & Retail Ltd	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0334E</u>	Granada UK Rental & Retail Ltd	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0406</u>	Mr. M. Tame	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0412</u>	Mr. D. N. Choules	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following planning applications:

<u>2/90/152/0303E</u>	Display of a Non Illuminated Projecting Sign at 21, Millgate for Barron & Barron. <u>No Objections but would wish traditional materials to be used.</u>
<u>2/90/152/0092C</u>	Application for Conservation Area Consent for the Demolition of Part of Existing Building at 21, Chapel Street for B. Smith Ltd. <u>Recommend Approval.</u>

- 2/90/152/0209D Alterations and Extension to Existing Hotel at Kirkgate House Hotel for Mr. J. Knight.
- 2/90/152/0209E Application for Listed Building Consent for the above and Display of a Non Illuminated Projecting Sign.
No Representations.
- 2/90/152/0009G Amendments to Approved Layout of Land and Details the Construction of 8 Flats at 10a and 12, Long Street for S. & B. Construction.
No Objections.
- 2/91/152/0155A Alterations to Existing First & Second Floor Areas to Form 3 Self Contained Flats and to Incorporate Alterations to Existing Ground Floor Shop at 89, Market Place for Fox How Properties.
Recommend Approval.
- 2/91/152/0415 Construction of a Domestic Storage Building at 1, Hambleton Drive for D. R. Kibbler.
Recommend Approval.
- 2/91/152/0406A Extension to Existing Dwelling at 100, Norby for Mr. & Mrs. Tame.
No Representations.
- 2/91/152/0334F Display of an Internally Illuminated Fascia Sign at 48, Market Place for Granada UK Rental & Retail.
- 2/91/152/0334G Application for Listed Building Consent for above.
Recommend Refusal on the grounds that the sign by reason of its colour, size and illumination would be detrimental to the amenities of the Conservation Area.
- 2/90/139/0301
(Sowerby Parish) Redevelopment of Thirsk Swimming Pool for H.D.C.
No Representations other than to request details of the changing facilities.
- 2/90/152/0056E Layout of Land & Construction of 53 Dwellings at Land Off Long Street for Persimmon Homes.
A letter regarding this application, from Mr. & Mrs. Sissons, referred to the density of the proposed development, the speed limit and the parking of heavy vehicles in Long Street, only one entrance/exit which is in close proximity to a proposed restaurant without its own parking where vehicles will impede visibility.
Express concern about the access/exit next to the proposed restaurant and the lack of amenity areas.
Also support the concern of Mr. & Mrs. Sissons.

Information regarding Planning Permission It was reported that a member of the public who had contacted the Planning Department regarding the Indian Takeaway in Long Street, which has closed temporarily and is planning to re-open as a restaurant, was told that this does not require 'Change of Use' and if there is no private/cont.

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parking, vehicles can be parked on the road. The Planning Officer's attention to be drawn to this together with instances where the public have been told that planning permission was not required only to be informed at a later date that it was.

Accounts for Payment The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. -January	-	£355.50✓
Power Point	-	Hire of Chain Saw for Cemetery tree	-	£ 16.10✓
Fox's of Thirsk	-	Pen for Cemetery Record Books	-	£ 7.99✓
Northern Electric	-	Charges re Christmas Lights	-	£382.01✓

Additional Accounts

R. Gibson Crafts	-	2 Plans of Cemetery	-	£ 25.00✓
Municipal Journal	-	Parish Councillor's Handbook (12)	-	£ 36.00✓
Yorks R.C.C.	-	Fees for Parish Government Course	-	£ 69.00✓

Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipt)

John Christopher Allan	Grave Space 36	Section G6	-	£ 70.00✓
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Reports

Coun. Davison reported that he had been consulted as to whether the Swimming Baths Car Park should be closed during alterations to the Baths. The majority of Councillors favoured its being kept open and the Leisure Services Officer had stated that it will be kept open unless it proves hazardous. It was agreed to ask the District Council to provide concessions for Thirsk swimmers at the Northallerton pool because of loss of facilities at Thirsk and travel costs.

Any Other Business

Heavy Vehicles Coun. Hall stated that heavy vehicles from the south are leaving the A168 Bypass at the junction with the B1448 and travelling through the town to get to the Industrial Park. It was agreed to request signs on the bypass indicating the direction of the Industrial Park.

Market Place Improvement Scheme - Phase III Coun. Salmon stated that instead of commencing shortly, Phase III is scheduled for November/December 1991. Because of the disruption and loss of trade which would be caused in the run up to Christmas it was agreed to oppose this and insist that the work be finished by November. The matter is to be discussed by the L. & A. Committee on 23rd January. Letter to be sent for that meeting with a copy to Councillor Craig who is on the committee.

Car Parking It was agreed to request clarification of the proposal to accept commuted payments in lieu of the provision of car parking spaces in respect of proposed development at the Golden Fleece.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.


Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 18th February 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, R. S. Hall, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. Bell, J. M. Salmon, A. J. Davison, S. I. Clements + Mr. M. Woods, Divisional Surveyor N.Y.C.C.

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

Mr. Woods attending the meeting to discuss the White Mare Roundabout, outlined the situation from the County Council's point of view and stated that there could not be a contribution towards the cost if the Town Council did not incur any expenses maintaining it. It was agreed that the Town Council will continue to maintain the garden area. Mr. Woods will report to the Clerk when weeding is required and the information will be passed on. A contribution will be made by the County Council on a regular basis depending upon the amount of work done.

Path across The Holmes The Chairman asked Mr. Woods' advice regarding the path about which several complaints had been received. Mr. Woods stated that the path had been created with road planings on which the surface is now dry. Consideration should be given to patching and surface dressing which would seal the surface, add bitumen and would last for 15 years. The cost of carrying out this work would be in the region of £640.00 and could be included, at a competitive price, in contract work around the town. It was agreed that this be discussed by the Finance Sub Committee.

Snow Clearance Coun. Murkett congratulated Mr. Woods' staff on their hard work on snow clearance. Mr. Woods stated that every available vehicle had been utilised and the men had worked around the clock.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Bus Shelter The Clerk reported that Mr. Richold had arranged for the Post Office's contribution to be paid as the deposit on the shelter. The final account will come to the Town Council who will receive the contributions from the District and County Councils. It is anticipated that the shelter will be in place before 1st April 1991.

Inventories The inventory of the contents of the Little Green shed still awaited.

Trees - The Holmes Coun. Bell reported that 4 trees are to be planted, and staked, this week.

Town Map Nothing reported.

Seats It is doubtful whether much timber can be salvaged from the seats.

Play & Amenity Areas - East Thirsk Letter received from the E.T.C.A. stating that if the Council and the Association work together, better facilities will be achieved for the area. Coun. Salmon stated that the survey will be a long term project. It was agreed to ask the/

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Planning Department about an equipped play area shown on an original submitted by McLeans.

Information re: PLanning Permission Letter received from the Chief Planner explaining the situation regarding the type of planning permission needed in respect of 25, Market Place and 21, Chapel Street. The change of use from a Takeaway to a restaurant at 46, Long Street does not require planning permission. This was granted for a hot food takeaway in December 1986 and falls within Class A3 of the Town & Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 which permits a use for the sale of food or drink for consumption on the premises or of hot food for consumption off the premises. All relevant planning issues, including parking, were considered when the original application was approved.

Thirsk Swimming Baths A letter from the Leisure Services Officer stated that the changing area layout will be designed on a similar basis to that at the Hambleton Leisure Centre although detailed plans are not yet available. It will not be possible to offer concessions to the residents of Thirsk at the Hambleton Leisure Pool during the alterations.

Market Place Improvement Scheme A letter from the Chief Planner stated that on receiving this Council's representations regarding the timing of Phase III, he had amended his recommendations to Committee. Phase IIIa will be carried out during the months of August, September and October, to be completed by November as requested. Phase IIIb will commence in April 1992, finishing in June. If there are any features which should be taken into account for the final phase, details should be submitted at an early date.

Commuted Car Parking The Chief Planner's letter stated that commuted car parking payment is a mechanism which allows a L.P.A. to require a developer to pay for car parking in a location away from - but broadly local to - the application site. It is entirely in accordance with Government policy and permits a greater level of flexibility for parking provision. There are occasions when car parking cannot be provided on site or it could be undesirable to provide on site due to other wider planning objectives. On the assumption that it is desirable to grant planning permission the developer enters into a legal agreement with the Council to pay for the spaces elsewhere (all costs including land, development works and officers' time). The charge can only be the actual cost of provision and should not require the provision of any greater number of spaces that would have been the case if the developer had been able to provide them on site. The council in turn must provide the spaces within a reasonable time although it is able to collect together a number of payments to develop a bigger scheme at a later date if it wishes. With regard to the Golden Fleece, where approximately 20 spaces will be involved, if planning permission is granted, it is expected that the spaces will be provided as part of the Swimming Pool development or the Millgate car park could be used and the approach now has the blessing of the Leisure & Amenities Committee.



Skipton Bridge Coun Murkett requested that, in view of the Road Haulage Association pressing for the bridge to be widened, the County Council again be asked to impose a weight restriction on the existing bridge.

Tenders for Grass Cutting Contract documents had been sent to four contractors and three had submitted tenders.

No. 1	The Greens	£55.00	The Holmes	£83.00	Mill Gardens	£23.00
No. 2	The Greens	£28.00	The Holmes	£32.00	Mill Gardens	£11.00
No. 3	The Greens	£25.00	The Holmes	£45.00	Mill Gardens	£ 5.00

All prices are per cut and subject to V.A.T.

Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that Tender No. 2, the lowest total price of £71.00, submitted by C. E. & C. M. Walker, be accepted. Agreed. ✓

Flatts Grass Cutting A tender of £588.00 had been accepted for grass cutting on The Flatts. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig 'that this Council make a contribution of £196.00 towards the cost.' Agreed.

The remaining two thirds to be paid by Sowerby Parish Council and the Flatts Preservation Trust.

Cemetery Fees The Chairman of the Finance Sub Committee had recommended an increase of 10% in all sections except for the Certificate of Burial, Copy of Rules and Copy of Scale of Fees which are to remain unaltered. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Craig 'that the Cemetery Fees be raised by 10% as from 1st April 1991.' Agreed. ✓

Date of May Meeting It was agreed to change the date of the May meeting from 20th to 13th in order to comply with the ruling that the Annual Meeting must be held within 14 days of the Elections.

Correspondence

Thirsk (Of Street Parking Places) Order 1990 Letter received stating that the District Council has made the Order which will come into effect on 1st April 1991. Although the Order indicates that disc parking will become operational at the swimming pool car park on that date, due to its refurbishment, the car park will be closed during the execution of those works.

Land off Favenfield Road, Thirsk Letter received from the Chief Executive H.D.C. regarding two areas of land off Favenfield Road and South Dowber Lane which are not being maintained and are in a neglected state. Both areas belong to Barratts who covenanted the District Council to maintain them i.e. grasscutting and proper care of the trees. A request has been made by an adjoining landowner to purchase one area of land to extend his garden and enclose the land. Both areas are allocated in Thirsk Local Plan as children's play areas which are in very short supply. The Town Council's views were requested as to whether the areas should be maintained as play areas or sold off to adjoining landowners. Prop. Coun. Murkett, /

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sec. Coun. Salmon, 'to recommend that Barratts, or their successors, should be required to maintain the land as open space.' Agreed.

Local Elections - 2nd May 1991 - Poll Cards Letter received from the Returning Officer asking: 1. In the event of there being a contested Parish election but no District Council election, would the Council wish poll cards to be produced at the estimated cost of 22p per card? 2. In the event of a combined District/Parish election, would the Council wish to have a reference to the Parish election included on the District poll card and be prepared to meet 50% of the cost, estimated at 11p per card? Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Craig 'that this Council does not incur any expense regarding poll cards.' Agreed.

Town Hall The Clerk reported that the Town Hall Committee had received three tenders for necessary safety work and had accepted the lowest, submitted by Cartmans Electrical Contractors, at a cost of £1707 + V.A.T. The account will be submitted for payment to the two Councils as owners of the Town Hall. ✓

The Greens Letter received from Mr. & Mrs. Moore of the Lord Nelson, referring to the grassed areas, the lack of sufficient seats, litter bins and 'No Parking' notices and the state of the access roads. The letter also referred to the business rate and the extensive works being carried out in the Market Place. Coun. Roberts pointed out that the Greens are Common Land on which parking is not allowed but to which the Council have turned a blind eye rather than harass the residents who are car owners. Coun. Murkett referred to the fact that this Council does not receive any income from the business rate and the Market Place belongs to the District Council. It was agreed to look into the matters raised in the letter and to consult the lease to ascertain the Council's responsibilities regarding maintenance of the Greens.

Planning Appeal Notice received that Mr. A. Arbon is appealing against the District Council's refusal to grant planning permission for the erection of a dwelling at Swallow House, Sutton Road.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0009G</u>	S. & B. Construction	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0092B</u>	B. Smiths (Thirsk) Limited	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0092C</u>	" " " "	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0413</u>	Thirsk Town Council	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0017G</u>	Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt	Refused
<u>2/90/152/0384A</u>	Northern Electric	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0338C</u>	John Bell	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0338D</u>	" "	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0404</u>	F. & W. A. Knowles	Granted
<u>22/90/152/0158E</u>	Principal Hotels	Granted

<u>2/90/152/0209D</u>	Mr. J. Knight	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0409</u>	Hambleton District Council	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0410</u>	" " "	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0411</u>	" " "	Granted

Members were concerned that the District Council had granted itself permission for the construction of 8 dwellinghouses at land off Dowber Lane, to which they and local residents had raised strong objections and for which, it was considered, no other applicant would have been given planning permission to develop that site. It was agreed to draw this to the attention of the Secretary of State for the Environment.

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/91/152/0416 Extension to Existing Bungalow at 23, White Rose Way for Mr. P. Reynolds.
No Objections.

TP091/X/152/417 Application for Consent to Lop a Tree Subject to T.P.O. No. 1986/5 at The Coppice. Dowber Way for McLean Homes N.E. Ltd.
No Objections but point out that the work has already been carried out.

2/91/152/0405A Alterations & Extension to Existing Bungalow to Form 2 Dwelling Units at Marder Lorose for K. D. Rose.
No Objections.

2/91/152/0009H Construction of a Building to Comprise 8 Domestic Garages & 4 First Floor Self Contained Flats at 10a/12, Long Street for S. & B. Construction.
No Objections.

Accounts The following accounts were approved for payment - Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - February	- £355.50/-
North Yorks. C.C.	- Hire of Court House - 1990	- £109.80/-
L. C. Hopps	- Repairs to Notice Board	- £ 20.40/-
T. & S. Town Hall	- Half Cost of Buildings Insurance	- £148.27/-
Castlegate Y.C.	- Donation (Minutes Dec. 1990)	- £200.00/-
St. Mary's Church	- Donation (Minutes Dec. 1990)	- £250.00/-
Fabric Fund		
Nat. Savings Bank	- Transfer to Gratuity Fund (Minutes Dec. 1990)	- £265.00/-

Additional Accounts

Thirsk Advertiser	- Advertisement re: Seminar	- £ 33.00/-
G. Johnston	- Christmas Lights	- £578.22/-

Reports

The Chairman drew attention to the Mayor of Thirsk's Dinner to be held on 12th April at the Hambleton Rooms, and asked for support.

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Coun. Hall reported that he is organising a meeting with the Chamber of Trade to discuss the Christmas Lights.

Any Other Business

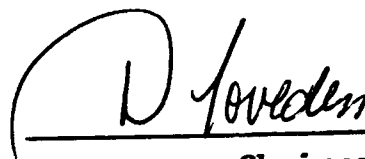
Tea Dances Coun. Murkett congratulated the Mayor on organising Tea Dances in the Town Hall which are proving a great success.

Bollards - Market Place Coun. Hall reported that some of the new bollards in the Market Place have been knocked down, stating that they appear to be very easily damaged. Coun. Murkett and Coun. Craig to draw this to the attention of Hambleton District Council.

Footpath - Waterfall to Stockton Road Coun. Roberts stated that the heavy snow had brought down some of the tree branches. It was agreed to form a working party to prune them.

Bus Service - Norby to Market Place It was agreed to enquire of the County Council the date of commencement of the service.

The meeting closed at 9.35 p.m.


Chairman
13/3/91

THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL & BURIAL BOARD

F E E S F O R T H I R S K C E M E T E R Y

The fees set out below apply where the person to be interred, or in respect of whom the Right is granted, is, or immediately before death was, an inhabitant or parishioner of the Parish of Thirsk, or in the case of a still-born child, where either parents are, or at the time of interment were, such inhabitants or parishioners. In all other cases, the **FEES WILL BE DOUBLED**, except where the Exclusive Right of Burial in the grave in question, or the right of constructing the grave, was acquired at the single fee as set.

PART 1 INTERMENTS

The fees indicated in this section:

- (a) Include the digging of the grave, supply/use of mats, ropes and bier and associated administrative work.
- (o) Apply only where the interment is made between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. on a weekday or on the certificate of the coroner or registered medical practitioner that immediate interment is necessary. In any other case **DOUBLE FEES** are payable.

1. For the Interment in a grave, whether or not an Exclusive Right of Burial has 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 £ 6.50
- ii) of the body of a child whose age at the time of death exceeded one month but did not exceed twelve years £ 27.50
- iii) of the body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded twelve years £ 77.00

For the Interment of Cremated Remains

In a grave in respect of which an Exclusive Right of Burial has been granted or in the Garden of Rest £ 22.00

3. For Use of the Bier (Folding Bier Only)

For an Interment outside of Thirsk Cemetery £ 11.00

PART 2 EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL IN EARTHEN GRAVES

For the Exclusive Right of Burial

For a Period Not Exceeding 99 Years

- (a) in an earthen grave 9 feet by 4 feet £ 77.00
- (b) in an earthen grave 9 feet by 8 feet £154.00

PART 3 WALLED GRAVES

For the right to construct, and for the Exclusive Right of Burial for a Period Not Exceeding 99 Years in:

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| (a) a walled grave 9 feet by 4 feet | £132.00 |
| (b) a walled grave 9 feet by 8 feet | £264.00 |

THE FEES INDICATED IN PARTS 2 & 3 INCLUDE THE DEED OF GRANT

PART 4 MONUMENTS, GRAVESTONES AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

For the right to erect or place on a grave in respect of which the Exclusive Right of Burial has been Granted:

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| (a) a Headstone - not exceeding 5 feet in height and 2 feet 6 inches in width | £ 19.50 |
| (b) a Vase - not exceeding 18 inches in height | £ 6.50 |

THE FEES INDICATED IN THIS PART INCLUDE THE FIRST INSCRIPTION

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| For each inscription after the first | £ 6.50 |
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REGISTRAR'S FEES

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| For renewal, in case of loss, the Certificate of Exclusive Right of Burial (each space) | £ 5.50 |
| For Comparing Inscription for Headstone and other Erections with Register of Burials | £ 5.50 |
| For Searching Register of Burials | £ 11.00 |
| For Certificate of Burial | £ 1.00 |
| For each Copy of Rules | £ 3.00 |
| For each Copy of Scale of Fees | £ 1.00 |

THE ABOVE FEES WERE APPROVED AT A MEETING OF THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL ON 18th FEBRUARY 1991 - TO BE OPERATIVE FROM 1st APRIL 1991

REPORT TO ANNUAL ASSEMBLY
MARCH 1991

Good evening and welcome to the annual assembly for this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your work over the past twelve months. It is not often appreciated by the public that the work of the members of this council is given freely and often with some financial loss. One could say that in many instances TOWN COUNCILLORS SUBSIDISED THE TOWN. I can only offer my sincere gratitude to you. It has been a honour and indeed a pleasure to be your chairman.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the one person to whom every decision, every vote, every suggestion, means work. In fact anything we do or say has a distinct influence on her and her life. I know that I, like all my recent predecessors, owe her a enormous debt of gratitude. I would like to record my appreciation which I know every member will concur.

I would like to pay my respects to previous members of this council who, in days past have laid the foundations on which we now build. I would like to make a special mention of Cliff MEGSON who sadly passed away last MARCH. There are members here who remember CLIFF better than I. They know what he did for the TOWN HE LOVED. This town owes a great deal to CLIFF and it is fitting that there is a road named after him.

GIPSY SITE This has still to be resolved. Currently there is a need for HDC/YCC to purchase the piece of land.

LONG STREET CROSSING This is now in being and although there seems to be some observation that the road is made more narrow than needs be it is proving a success.

THIRSK JOB CENTRE This facility we have now lost, however, I am assured that the arrangements are proving to work very well. I know that we still feel some concern on the inherent time delay between a job being advertised and a Thirsk applicant be able to make a bid. It seems that, as we seem to be entering a period of increasing unemployment we should monitor the situation to make sure that our unemployed are not jeopardies un - necessarily.

TOILETS As far as I am aware the condition of the toilets have only moderately improved pending privatisation. We should soon see the cleaning carried out under contract. Hopefully parishioners and tourist will experience conditions as experienced in places like Masham and Helmsley.

MARKET PLACE ENHANCEMENT SCHEME This is progressing thanks to HDC. There are one or two problem areas, for instance the freezing of water on the uneven surfaces. Bollards being damaged and the timing of work schedules. I'll stick my neck out and say that, all in all, I think that HDC are making a grand job in retaining the character of our town whilst making substantial improvements.

BUS SHELTER It is with regards to the bus shelter that all round co-operation and negotiation has proven to be **better bedfellows than confrontation**. A definite plus for this council. Shortly we shall see the completion of a structure which will blend well with the surrounds yet serve its purpose as a shelter. It is **interesting to record that Thirsk will still own a bus shelter while many towns around, including Northallerton, have lost theirs.**

PARISH MAP Another big plus for Thirsk. Our embroidered Parish map continues to be displayed demonstrating the talents and commitment of our local townspeople. I use that word because this was an effort which demanded a "CROSS BOUNDARY" united effort. I thank Cllr Salmon for steering the project to fruition, and Cllr Bell as Chairman PARISH MAP COMMITTEE for his work.

WHITE MARE ROUND A BOUT Again a plus for negotiation. We have reached a understanding between Mr Wood and ourselves with respect to the maintenance and upkeep of the round about.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS This past year was the first of joint co-operation between ourselves and the Chamber of Trade. The display was an advance on previous years. There were lessons learned and hopefully this coming year will again see improvements. Thanks to Cllr Hall for his endeavours. I expect he will be calling a meeting fairly soon to plan next years displays.

GENERAL AND PERSONNAL On a more personal track I have represented the council at various functions and activities in and around the area. Guide dogs for the Blind memebrship appeal launch. Red Cross awards ceremony, cocktail evenings RAF LEEMING ALLANBROOK BARRACKS. Mayoral functions at Northallerton. Presenting swimming awards and even taking to the water myself. in helping Thirsk County Primary School. There have been many memourable occassions, however, there are some which deserve special mention. Attending the YORKSHIRE DAY Celebrations at SKIPTON. Tha ALE ASSISESS at YORK. and last but not least the evening I suddenly found that the THIRSK signs had been SUBSTITUED by DARROWBY SIGNS.

I have tried to continue in the vein established by Cllr Roberts of a "HIGH PROFILE THIRSK". I feel it is very important that not only should we exist as a council but we should be seen to exist. Letting it be known that we are PROUD of our TOWN and its people.

To quickly summarise:- We have made very substantial moves forward. Our parishioners should be proud and confident that this council is dedicated to the GOOD and BENEFIT of THIRSK. It has been a good year. A year in which discussion debate and negotiation has been more profitable than conflict.

In looking forward, I would like to see closer links with our up and coming citizens - The pupils of our local schools. Not just as members of school committees but taking an active interest in their education and leisure. Mr Chris Lewis has re-assured me that **members of this council** are welcome anytime to visit the school for a conducted tour.

I would also like to see a more positive approach to **TOWN TWINNING**. I know that there are those who feel nervous by the financial implications but I feel confident that as we move towards a closer Europe we at THIRSK would gain from a **DIRECT PERSONNAL** tie with a **LIKE** town on the European Continent.

TONIGHTS ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT THE EXPECTED FATE OF COUNTY COUNCILS
Heralds an challenging if not a exciting future for Par ish
councils. I am confident that Thirsk will respond POSITIVELY to
the challenges ahead.

I thank you all for your support and look forward to working with you over the next 4 years.

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Tel: THIRSK 23058

Headmaster :
Mr. J. LIVSEY

ALL SAINTS' PRIMARY SCHOOL
GREEN LANE EAST,
TOPCLIFFE ROAD
THIRSK YO7 1NB

All Saints' school has grown to 112 children on roll at the start of the Spring term.

These are taught in four classes of:-

Class 4 - 30 children
Class 3 - 36 children
Class 2 - 24 children
Class 1 - 22 children

The school teaches a cross curriculum thematic approach to meet the demands of national curriculum.

Themes taught this year include Homes and Houses, Light and Dark, Polar Regions, Cats etc.

In May this year 16 year 2 children will have reached the end of Key Stage 1 and will be given Standard Assessment Tasks in English, Maths and Science.

The children performed two plays at Christmas 'Radio Jerusalem' and 'Sing a Song for a Baby' on two evenings to packed houses.

The children went to Cherry Garth to entertain the residents with a selection of Christmas Carols.

The Parent Teachers Association has actively supported the school. It has purchased a new T.V. and video, reading and fiction books for the school.

The school has been actively involved in raising money for both local and national charities.

A cheque was presented to Mrs. Williams for £431.12p which was the sum raised by the children for the N.S.P.C.C.

Four children organized a Blue Peter Sale for the Romanian Orphans and raised £105 and the sum of £155 has been raised for the Middlesbrough Diocese Child Welfare Society.

The school has visited Preston Park Museum with Class 4 and Yorbvik Viking Centre with Class 3.

The school has used the local environment as part of their school lessons.

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 18th March 1991 at 8.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, S. I. Clements, R. S. Hall, J. M. Salmon, J. Bell.
Apologies for Absence received from Coun. A. J. Davison (business commitments).

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

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Footpath Across The Holmes This has yet to be discussed by the Finance Sub Committee.

Bus Shelter The Clerk reported that the work is on schedule with the new shelter due to be erected before Easter. The old shelter will not be demolished until after the Bank Holiday. A letter from the Post Office Estates Surveyor stated that solicitors are drawing up a Licence Agreement to cover the part of the bus shelter to be situated on Post Office land.

Inventories Inventory of the contents of the Little Green shed still awaited.

Town Map The Clerk reported that a draft map had been amended and returned to Codair.

Play & Amenity Areas - East Thirsk A letter from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stated that a draft lease from North Yorkshire County Council is still awaited. The County Council had been requested to consider making available that part of the school land closest to Barker's field so that, if the field is ever acquired, any community centre could be as close as possible to the play area. The County Council's reply to this suggestion is also still awaited.

The Greens Coun. Bell declared an interest as owner of The Greens. The lease had been circulated to members. Coun. Clements stated that the Council have obligations to all the parish as well as to the residents of The Greens and it would be wrong to spend Community Charge payers' money on The Greens unless the residents and owners of commercial premises on The Greens made a contribution. The Clerk stated that Mr. Moore, of The Lord Nelson, was considering calling a public meeting to consider a resolution 'that capital works or works of maintenance be undertaken out of public funds' (as stipulated in the lease). Members agreed that the Council should meet with residents of The Greens after the May elections. Coun. Clements agreed to take the problems of The Greens on board if re-elected to the Council.

Outline Application for the Construction of 8 Dwellinghouses at Land Off Dowber Lane for Hambleton District Council A letter from the Department of the Environment stated that the Town & Country Planning General Regulations 1976 empower local authorities to deem themselves planning permission for development which they intend to carry out themselves and for development on their own land to be carried out by

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others. These arrangements have often been criticised for providing insufficient safeguards and the Department have announced revised proposals which provide for a clause on local authorities' deemed planning permission to be incorporated in the Planning & Compensation Bill which is presently going through Parliament. The safeguards are that the proposals will have to be fully advertised, decided in public by a committee not responsible for land management and reported to the Secretary of State if they conflict with the development plan. Whilst the District Council has acted within the existing rules in determining this application, once the Bill is enacted any similar applications would be subject to safeguards. A letter from the Chief Planner drew attention to the District Council's policy in respect of provision of affordable housing. That policy makes it clear that the District Council in seeking to respond to the shortage of housing for small units and first time buyers would be prepared to grant planning permission on sites which would not normally be granted permission for housing as an exception to normal planning policies. The application in respect of Dowber Lane was dealt with in the light of this approach and exceptionally was granted planning permission. It was agreed to invite Mr. Ballard, the Chief Planning Officer, to speak about planning matters at a special meeting after the elections, to which neighbouring parish councils will be invited.

Bus Service - Norby Reply awaited.

Christmas Lights Coun. Hall reported that Christmas Lights are to be discussed at the next meeting of the Chamber of Trade, to which members of the Town Council are invited.

North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service - Reviews of Standards of Fire Cover and Management A consultation document presented on proposals, following major reviews of the North Yorkshire Fire Brigade, which include a proposed 50% reduction in the service presently being provided at Thirsk Fire Station, with other local reductions including Stokesley and Easingwold. Comments should reach the County Fire Officer by 31st May. Hambleton District Council have also been invited to comment and requested this Council's views before 11th April to present to the Policy & Resources Committee. It was agreed to notify the Chamber of Trade and local doctors of the proposals. The consultation document to be circulated to members and comments sent to the Clerk as soon as possible in order that they can be forwarded to the District Council and County Fire Officer.

Correspondence

Yorkshire Day -1991 Notification received that the Y.L.C.A. have agreed to take on the administration of invitations to Parish and Town Councils to Yorkshire Day in Rotherham on Thursday, 1st August 1991. Any Council wishing to be represented is asked to contact the Y.L.C.A. It was agreed that this Council wishes to be represented.

Town Clock Letter received from William Potts & Sons detailing the service provided under the Annual Maintenance Contract.

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Town Clock William Potts & Sons had been requested to carry out an inspection of the clock face following a report of damage. A report stated that the glazed panel between 4 o'clock and 5 o'clock on the north dial is broken allowing rain water to enter the tower. A quotation of £181.00 + V.A.T. was submitted for the work. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the quotation be accepted.' **Agreed.**

Trees - The Holmes An account for £64.00 + V.A.T. was presented for 4 willow trees which had been planted on The Holmes. It was agreed that the account should be paid and the cost recouped from the people who had promised to be responsible for the provision of trees.

Community Advisers in Hambleton Letter received from the County Emergency Officer listing four residents of Thirsk who have completed the Community Adviser Course.

Compensation Letter received from the Clerk to the Justices advising that £95.00 has been awarded to the Town Council as compensation for damage to the Christmas Tree and Lights, which will be paid in instalments.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0209E</u>	J. Knight	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0334F</u>	Granada UK Rental & Retail Ltd	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0334G</u>	" " "	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0107G</u>	Woolons & Harwood Ltd	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0107H</u>	" "	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0405A</u>	Mr. K. D. Rose	Refused

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

<u>2/91/152/0293B</u>	Alterations & Extensions to Existing Class 3 Food & Drink Premises at the Star of India, Long Street for Mr. F. Ahmed. <u>No Objections but would prefer the use of plain rather than Tyrolean rendering and the retention of the chimneys.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0293C</u>	Display of an Externally Illuminated Fascia Sign & 2 Externally Illuminated Projecting Signs at the Star of India for Mr. F. Ahmed. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0356C</u>	Alterations & Extension to Existing Agricultural Building for Use as an Agricultural Workers Dwelling at Sunny Bank Farm for Mr. G. Bainbridge. <u>Recommend Refusal on the grounds that the proposed development is outside the Local Plan area. It is not part of an agricultural holding and access is half a mile along an unmade road.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0130E</u>	Listed Building Consent for Alterations to Existing Public House at the Royal for Youngers Yorkshire. <u>No Objections.</u>

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- 2/91/152/0366A Construction of a Tower with Microwave Dish at Thirsk Telephone Exchange for British Telecom.
No Objections.
- 2/91/152/0418 Conversion of Existing Disused Agricultural Building to a Dwelling at Woodhill Field Farm for J. Bell.
No Objections. Coun. Bell declared an interest.
- 2/91/152/0303F Use of Existing Cafe as a Taxi Office and Erection of a C.B. Antenna at 21, Millgate for Mrs. M. Selby.
No Objections.
- 2/91/152/0419 Extension to Existing Dwelling at 43, Favenfield Road for Mr. J. Balmain.
No Objections but ask if there is sufficient parking space within the curtilage of the development.
- 2/91/152/0045B Extension to Existing Dwelling at 86, St. James' Green for Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt.
No Objections,
- 2/91/152/0416 Amended Plans for Extension to 23, White Rose Way for Mr. P. Reynolds.
No Objections.

Former Post Office Building The Planning Department to be notified of concern that the Post Office plaque has not been sited as shown on the plans.

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment - Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Murkett.

Accounts as Circulated

Thirsk & Sowerby	- Hire of Room for Seminar for	- £ 15.00✓
Conservative Club	Prospective Councillors	
J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - March	- £ 355.50✓
" "	- Interest on monies invested for the	- £ 39.76✓
	private upkeep of graves	
P. Smith	- Salary - January - March	£495.00✓
	Administrative Expenses	£ 75.04✓
Wm. Potts & Sons	- Annual Maintenance Fee - Town Clock	- £ 80.50✓

Additional Accounts

Yorks. R.C.C.	- Accommodation for Conference	- £ 60.00✓
	(Coun. Murkett)	
Coun. Loveden	- Reimbursement of Accommodation costs	- £ 60.00✓
Hambleton D.C.	- Contribution to Street Sweeping	- £2780.00✓
A. M. Duckworth	- Trees for The Holmes	- £ 73.60✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

William Stephen Barker	Grave Space 14	Section E3	- £ 70.00✓
Sharon Marie Jenkins	Grave Space 10	Section E2	- £ 70.00✓

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Reports

Coun. Murkett reported on a very successful Parish Government Course at Scarborough with excellent workshops. Delegates had been very impressed with Mr. Ballard, Chief Planning Officer H.D.C.

Coun. Salmon reported on a liaison meeting between District Council Officers and Chairmen of Committees, representatives of Parish and Town Councils and Officers of the L.C.A. Matters for discussion included the use of schools as Polling Stations and the amalgamation of Councils.

The Chairman reported on the success of the Seminar for Prospective Councillors and stated that the L.C.A. officers had been very pleased with the response. The Clerk reported that a donations of £10.00 and £17.00 had been received from Carlton Miniott and Sowerby Parish Councils towards the expenses.

Any Other Business

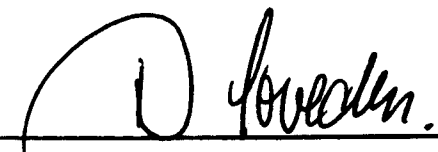
Geese Coun. Murkett stated that Mrs. Coupe had offered the Council 2 Roman Geese to add to the flock on the Cod Beck. Prop. Coun. Bell, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the offer of the geese is accepted'. Voting - 6 in Favour - 2 Against.

Friarage Hospital Scanner Appeal Coun. Roberts stated that she has joined a committee for a Scanner Challenge to be held on the last weekend in August when it is hoped every community in the area will participate.

Trees - Ingramgate Coun. Craig reported that 2 trees, planted some years ago in Ingramgate have vanished. Consideration of replacement trees to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Bollard Coun. Craig reported that a bollard in Ingramgate, which had been sited at the instigation of the Town Council, is broken and a danger to the public.

The meeting closed at 9.55 p.m.


 Chairman
 15/4/91

Minutes of a Meeting of the Cemetery Sub Committee held in the Court House on Monday, 18th March 1991 following the Council Meeting.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman of the Council), H. D. Craig, Mrs. F. M. Roberts (Chairman of the Sub Committee), D. S. Murkett, R. S. Hall, H. D. Craig, S. I. Clements, J. M. Salmon.

There being no Press or Public present, it was not necessary to pass a resolution to go 'into Committee'.

Letter from the Cemetery Superintendent A letter from Mr. Barr drew attention to matters which in his opinion need early consideration for repair otherwise if neglected, will lead to more extensive work and more expense:

- a) The draw fronts on the kitchen units are coming away from the sides
- b) The flat roof over the bathroom and toilet needs attention.
- c) The coal fired central heating is outdated and inefficient. He has personally paid on two occasions to have a new pump installed to try to improve circulation to the radiators.

Mr. Barr considers there is a strong need for two grass cutters in the cemetery rather than the one 17" cutter. There are large areas of flat grass cutting where a larger cutter is needed and the small 17" cutter is still required to cut around the graves. The extra cutter would help to maintain the tidiness of the cemetery.

Members expressed extreme dissatisfaction with the grass cutting and general maintenance of the cemetery which, having been brought to Mr. Barr's attention both verbally and in writing, had not improved.

Having studied Mr. Barr's contract, it was agreed to reply to the letter as follows:

- a) The repair of the kitchen unit draws is considered to be his responsibility.
- b) Quotations will be sought for the roof repairs.
- c) As the central heating system was installed by the previous Superintendent for his own benefit the Council consider it is not their responsibility to maintain it. It was agreed to consider providing a new pump to be fitted at his expense.
- d) It is considered that the 17" cutter is more than adequate for the grass cutting but if Mr. Barr wishes to save time, the Council have no objections to him hiring a larger cutter at his own expense.

It was agreed to continue paying the equivalent of the previous rates of Cemetery Lodge in lieu of Mr. Barr's Poll Tax for the time being, in monthly instalments but, due to the dissatisfaction with his work, not to increase his present remuneration. It was also agreed to give Mr. Barr formal written warning that if the standard of grass cutting and care and maintenance of the cemetery does not improve steps will be taken to terminate his contract which requires three months notice from either party.

Tree Roots A complaint had been received that tree roots are causing disturbance to gravestones near the west wall of the cemetery. Coun. Loveden and Coun. Roberts to investigate.


Chairman
15/4/91

Abstract of Audited Accounts - Year Ended 31.3.91

<u>General</u>	£		£
Credit Balance 1.4.90	6926.42	Clerk's Salary	1935.00
Precept	10000.00	Admin, Audit & Stationery	877.12
Refund of V.A.T.	384.25	Subscriptions & Donations	668.10
Interest	1949.87	Christmas Lights	960.23
Refund of Course Fees	32.00	Course Fees & Travel Exps.	324.80
C.A.P.E. Grant	74.75	Mill Gdns, Roundabout, Etc.	502.00
Donations to Seminar	27.00	Grass Cutting	1001.65
Refund on Flatts Grass	13.34	" " Flatts	186.67
Cost of Tree - Holmes	16.00	Trees - The Holmes	803.85
		Town Clock Maintenance	80.50
		Insurances	333.81
		Chairman's Allowance	100.00
		Town Hall - Insurance	148.27
		Seat & Notice Board Repairs	41.44
		Street Sweeping	2780.00
			<u>10743.44</u>
		Balance	<u>8680.19</u>
	<u>19423.63</u>		<u>19423.63</u>
<u>Burial Board</u>	£		£
Credit Balance 1.4.90	5990.83	Cemetery Superintendent	4305.76
Precept	7000.00	Water Charges - Cem. Lodge	151.12
Dividends & Interest	39.76	Grass Cutter Hire	546.83
Refund of V.A.T.	114.97	Cord & Oil for Strimmer	27.42
Burial Board Income	3156.00	Petrol	83.14
		Chain Saw Hire	26.14
		Weed Killer	12.31
		Emptying of Skip	101.20
		Plans & Stationery	35.84
		Insurance	78.48
		Burial Register	97.75
		Grave Mats	161.00
			<u>5626.99</u>
		Balance	<u>10674.57</u>
	<u>16301.56</u>		<u>16301.56</u>
<u>Summary</u>	£		£
<u>General Account</u>	8680.19	<u>Current Account</u>	715.55
<u>Burial Board Account</u>	10674.57	<u>Deposit Account</u>	174.07
		<u>Deposit Account - Invest</u>	207.00
		<u>Building Society</u>	14331.90
		<u>Nat. Savings Bank</u>	
		<u>Gratuity Account</u>	3926.24
	<u>19354.76</u>		<u>19354.76</u>