

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council in Annual Assembly, held in the Court House on Monday, 19th April 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. D. Murkett (Chairman), F. Roberts, B. Garthwaite, J. Watson, J. Salmon, S. Clements, A. Robinson, R. Hall & A. Morton. Also in attendance Sgt. Harrison.

Apologies for Absence: Coun. D. Loveden.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 15th March 1993 having been circulated were considered read; Councillor J. Marshall advised that they should have read 'another mini-bus' and stated that Grants for the 'East Thirsk Hall' had been applied for and obtained and Councillor J. Salmon stated that the new doorway for the C.A.B. should be noted as the major improvement. The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Garthwaite and sec. Coun. Morton.

Matters Arising: Local Accommodation for the Elderly - A letter from Wm Hague advised the Council that 'Social Services cannot consider investing in an additional unit' and that the 'limit on resources available' meant that it was not possible for Thirsk to have it's own facility.

Play Area Norby - This will be considered this week by Housing Policy Sub Committee.

Fire Service Review- Councillor Marshall advised the meeting that it was minuted in the County Council Minutes that Thirsk Town Council had not objected to the proposed changes - she had objected on our behalf. Following a press report advising that objections to the above proposals must be sent direct to the Home Office it was decided to write to them to ensure that they had received notification of the Town Council's objections.

Councillor Marshall reported the sudden death of Mr Bill Boaden of the C.A.B. She advised that donations had been requested for the Thirsk Bereavement Helpline. Prop. Councillor Marshall and sec. Councillor Morton the 'intention to donate a sum of money to the fund' Agreed. *FinC*

Mr David Goodwin - Leisure Services Officer: Mr Goodwin gave a brief presentation on the District Leisure Strategy and advised of their aim to promote participation from voluntary bodies to provide facilities. He advised of various grants available to new clubs, for muscians, for the arts and museums. He advised that local coaching courses could be provided wherever there was shown to be a demand. Councillor Murkett asked about descretionary rate relief and was advised that the Finance Committee should be approached. When questioned about major leisure schemes he advised that the District Leisure Service expected 50% of the cost to be from 'partners'.

Police Report: PC Walker reported back on items brought up at the previous meeting; It was not considered practical to install a mini roundabout at the Chapel St. Junction as it was considered that it would cause confusion.

Police approved a mini roundabout at the junction of Kirkgate with the Market Place.

The Stammergate junction with Long Street was not considered a good place for a mini roundabout, as the traffic flow was too fast. Councillors suggested traffic lights, and, or slowing down the traffic along Long Street. Also through traffic should be encouraged to use the bye-pass.

Topcliffe Road was still being monitored.

Cherry Tree Unit: Concern was expressed on the recent change of use of the Cherry Tree Unit and the uncertainty of future commitment. It was resolved to invite Mr Hayden Cook to advise any interested parties on the future of the Lambert Memorial Hospital and the Cherry Tree Unit.

Greens: Nothing to report at this time.

Correspondence: RAF Leeming advised of the Air Fair on 31 July 1993
An appeal was received from St Mary's Church towards major repairs to the boundary wall. The Finance Committee to look into this.

Planning: The following planning applications were considered.

2/93/152/0062N Additional plans Tree Tops Hotel, Sutton Road, Thirsk.

The Council wish to see the application approved.

2/93/152/0302A Extension for existing dwellinghouse at 3 Lynbrook Close, Thirsk for Mr & Mrs S. Robson

The Council wish to see the application approved.

2/93/152/0312D Display of a non-illuminated projecting sign at Westgate, Thirsk for Stead Flintoft & Co

The Council wish to see the application approved.

2/93/152/0435D Application for Conservation Area consent for demolition of Building for W. Calvert

The Council wish to see the application approved.

2/93/152/0435C Construction for 3 flats on first & second floors above existing ground floor shop at 4-6 Castlegate, Thirsk for W. Calvert

The Council wish to see the application approved.

2/93/152/0424D Use of part of existing Racecourse for the holding of Car Boot Sales on Sundays & Bank Holidays between April 1st & 31st October

The Council wish to see the application refused.

Chairman's Report: Councillor Murkett advised of the intention for members of the Youth Club to clean up the Codbeck, as part of the National Spring Clean Week.

Councillor Marshall reported that the lease on part of the C.P. School was only for 5 years, on solicitor's advice the Council are to seek a longer lease.

Cemetery: Councillor Hall reported on damage caused to the cemetery gate post.

Finance: Councillor Salmon advised that the financial report was not yet completed but that finances were healthy.

East Thirsk Community Hall: Councillor Marshall reported that work on the hall was to commence mid-summer.

New Memorial: New memorial agreed for Gwen Garthwaite.

Any Other Business: Councillor advised the meeting of a Medieval Fayre take place on the 15th December. It was agreed that the carol service be on the same evening. Cllr. Murkett had pledged to see that the town was cleaned up afterwards.

It was prop. Councillor Hall and sec. Councillor Salmon that the Community Charge for Cemetery Lodge be paid by the Town Council. Agreed.

Councillor Marshall reported on the poor state of the site after development at Dowber Court. Agreed to ask Hambleton District Council to press for improvement.

Councillor Hall reported that young children were drinking and discarding their litter in Chapel Street. Agreed to bring this to the attention of the police.

Councillor Morton advised the meeting that there was general confusion as to who had right on the pathway between the Golden Fleece and the pedestrian crossing. The clerk to consult Hambleton District Council.

The Meeting closed at 10.25 p.m.

Faith Roberts
Chairman

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 17th May 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. F. Roberts (in the Chair), B. Garthwaite, J. Watson, J. Salmon, S. Clements, A. Robinson, R. Hall, J. Marshall & A. Morton. Also in attendance Mr D. Ballard, Insp. D. Coates, Cllr. M. Robson & Cllr. G. Turton.

Apologies for Absence: Coun. D. Murkett.

The Chair was taken by the Vice Chairman, Coun. Roberts.

Election of Chairman: It was proposed Cllr. J. Watson and seconded Cllr. D. Loveden that Cllr. F. Roberts be elected Chairman. Agreed.

Election of Vice Chairman: It was proposed Cllr. A. Morton and seconded Cllr. D. Loveden that Cllr. J. Salmon be elected as Vice Chairman. Agreed.

Acceptance of Office - As the book had not been presented to the meeting this to be signed at the next meeting.

Appointments to Committees & of Representatives

Coun. Roberts asked members to consider if they wished to remain on the various bodies as Council Representatives and which committees they wished to serve on. These to be decided at next meeting.

Chief Planner & Technical Officer, H.D.C. - Mr Derek Ballard, chief planner & technical officer Hambleton District Council gave a brief resume of the Thirsk District Plan, giving recommendations for the period 1996 to year 2006, which is shortly to be released, after which will follow a 16 week consultation period and a local display in September. The drafting & decision process will continue with proposals described for agreement or objection during the autumn.

He advised the Council that Hambleton District Council are keen to encourage & promote the 'living over the shop schemes' and to this end need to have a flexible approach re parking.

Re the Public Inquiry into Car Parking Charges- Mr Ballard stated that the disc parking scheme is working well and 'there was no need to change from a management point of view'.

Mr Ballard advised that the Council could both assist with grants and help with the designing of improvement such as 'The Greens'.

There followed general discussion on planning procedures and problems, in particular retrospective planning applications and amended planning applications.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 19th April 1993 having been circulated were considered read; The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman. Cop. Coun. Morton and sec. Coun. Marshall.

Police Report: Inspector D. Coates advised the meeting that the reported cases of the consumption of alcohol in the Chapel Street had been looked into but that this, although a problem at times, was not illegal.

The problem re pre-race drinking was again raised, Insp. Coates told the meeting that he operated a hi profile policing during this time to try and forestall the problem.

He extended an invitation to all Councillors to visit the Police Station, this was gratefully accepted. The date to be arranged.

Cllr. Marshall passed on complaints about speeding in Norby- Insp Coates asked that any such complaints be direct to the police.

Matters Arising:

Dowber Court- the Clerk reported that the area in front of Dowber Court had recently been turfed and was now much tidier.

Pathway, Market Place - Hambleton District Council advised that there was no easy answer, that it was hoped that commonsense would prevail without imposing restrictions on users.

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Car Boot Fair - A letter from Mr Crelling, chief E.H.O. stated that the company holding the Car Boot Sales had been asked to ensure that no new goods were sold on Bank Holiday Monday, as this was in direct competition with the Thirsk market. The Council are to continue to monitor the situation.

Rate Relief: Hambleton District Council advised the Town Council that partial rate relief in respect of Thirsk Athletic had been granted. Town Council had wished to see full relief granted.

Bill Boaden dec'd. - It was proposed Coun. J. Salmon, seconded Coun. Robinson that a donation of £50 be given to Thirsk Carers Support in memory of Mr Boaden and his work.

Church Wall - It was agreed in principle to make a donation towards repairs to St Mary's church wall - this to be placed on agenda for next meeting, following consideration by Cemetery Committee.

Public Inquiry - Car Parking Charges - Councillors Marshall and Salmon to represent the Town Council.

Norby - Open Space - A letter from Hambleton District Council stated that there is to be consultation into the possible development of a children's play area on land currently used for allotment purposes.

Fire Service Review: Coun. Marshall reported that in County Council Minutes of 25 February, it was reported that 'No opposition was received from Thirsk, to the proposals'. The consultation in 1991 was used as basis of the recent decision and yet there was no mention of the 2,000 people who objected. It was felt by the meeting that the County Fire Officer had not passed on our concerns.

Cllrs. Hall, Marshall & Salmon to laise to ask for explanation and express our concern regarding this.

The Greens: Coun. Clements reported on a meeting of the Greens Sub Committee when after lengthy discussion about Phase 1, the East Side of St James Green, the following recommendations were made:-

- 1) The Council is committed to preventing further erosion.
- 2) The number of entrances to be reduced to at least three.
- 3) "No Parking Notices Byelaw in Force" to be placed on the grassed areas.
- 4) The fine for such offence to be raised to £100
- 5) The guards to removed from the trees.
- 6) The agreement of the land owner to be sought.
- 7) Advice re the surface & edges to be sought.

It was proposed Coun. Loveden & seconded Coun. Hall that the Council accept these recommendations.

Formal consultation with the residents to follow.

Planning: The following planning applications were considered.

2/93/152/0094D DISPLAY OF AN ILLUMINATED PROJECTING SIGN AT 17 CENTRAL BUILDINGS, THIRSK for NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK

The Council wish to see the application REFUSED

Comments:- It is an internally illuminated sign which is contrary to the Conservation Area Guidelines

2/93/152/0393B INSTALLATION OF A TELLER MACHINE at 22 MARKET PLACE, THIRSK for NATIONWIDE BUILDING SOCIETY

The Council wish to see the application REFUSED

Comments:- Will ruin the shop front for which stringent conditions were placed originally. Think that such a machine should be as unobtrusive as possible.

2/93/152/0464 CONSTRUCTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL BUILDING FOR STORAGE PURPOSES at WOODHOUSE FIELD FARM, NEWSHAM ROAD, THIRSK for THIRSK HALL FARMS

The Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Planning cont.
2/93/152/0465

CONSTRUCTION OF A GARDEN SHED at 15 DARROWBY CLOSE, THIRSK,
for MR J. FERGUSON

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The Council wish to see the application REFUSED.

Comments:-

We do not think that the plans show the correct proportions for the garden.

The conservatory is much bigger than shown on the plans.

We feel that the garden shed would take up the rest of the back garden.

Shed seems an inadequate description for this building and it will be in full view of the neighbours.

PLANNING DECISIONS;

2/93/152/0457A W.K. Almond
2/93/152/0463 P. Walkland
2/93/152/0062N C. Hartley

Granted

Granted

Granted with conditions

Reports:

Finance: Coun. Salmon produced draft full year financial reports from the Finance Sub-Committee for the year 1992/93 for the meeting.

Burial Board:

1) Cemetery Superintendent Salary: leave at £3,900 for 1993/94. But pay the new Council Tax estimated at £400 approximately. This replaces the Community charge element which was allowed for in the salary, and which the Cemetery Superintendent paid direct. The net effect is to pay the Cemetery Superintendent an increase of £400 (10.26% at least, depending on the eventual actual Tax charged.

N.B. Council Tax has been charged at £525.00 (or 13.49%)

General Fund

2) Clerk's Salary: to be increased by £500 to to £2,500 for the year in recognition of the workload and efforts made by the clerk in new position.

3) Clerk's Gratuity Fund Contribution: to be set at £200 for 1993/94. there is sufficient in the existing fund to allow for year 1992/93 contribution.

4) Clerk's expenses etc:

a) Hire of clerks room - to be based on prevailing local examples. To apply to use in 1992/93 on.

b) Use of telephone - The Town Council to pay quarterly rental on telephone and handset for 1992/93 on.

c) Clerk to provide invoices to Council for payment under these headings. Level of charge to be made to be agreed with Finance Sub-Committee before presenting invoice.

d) Noted that no payment has yet been made to the Clerk for 1992/93

Amenities: Coun. Roberts reported that new seats, swings and safety surfaces had been placed on the Norby playground.

Coun. Morton reported on the Community Care Association's problem with accommodation - Coun. Roberts to consult with the Town Hall Committee.

Any other Business.: Coun. Morton was requested to represent the town council at the Skipton on Swale Memorial Service.

New Memorial: New memorial agreed for William Gordon Addison.

The Meeting closed at 10.30p.m.


Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 21st June 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. J. Salmon (in the Chair), Mrs J. Watson, S. Clements, A. Robinson, R. Hall, J. Marshall & Cllr. G. Turton.

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Mrs F. Roberts, Cllr. D. Murkett Cllr. A. Morton.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 17th May 1993 having been circulated were considered read; Cllr. S. Clements asked that the item on the Green's 2) to read - The number of entrances to be reduced to no more than three. The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Hall and sec. Coun. Marshall.

County Councillor's Report: Cllr. G. Turton reported that there was to be a Police Liaison meeting on 12th July, this to be a Public Meeting. He reported to Council on the Car Parking Inquiry stating that Members of Thirsk Town Council, Sowerby Parish Council and Thirsk Chamber of Trade had been extremely efficient in their submissions.

Fire Service Review: Cllr. Turton advised that the County Fire Officer considered that Thirsk would be well served with the new appliance.

Councillors re-iterated their concerns to Cllr. G. Turton.

A letter from the Home Office gave authorisation for the County Fire Officer to reduce the establishment. The Clerk was asked to write for clarification.

District Councillor's Report: Cllr. J. Marshall advised that she was now on the Environmental Health Committee.

She referred to the new Local Government Report; the Commission's preferred option is to abolish the North Yorkshire County Council and Hambleton District Council and create a new authority enclosing Hambleton, Richmond, Ryedale & Scarborough District Councils.

Matters Arising:

The following Committee appointments were approved:-

Amenities:- Cllrs, D. Loveden, B. Garthwaite, J. Marshall, J. Watson, A. Robinson, (ex-officio F. Roberts)

Cemetery:- Cllrs. R. Hall, D. Murkett, J.M. Salmon, J. Watson, (ex-off. F. Roberts)

Christmas Lights:- Cllrs. A. Robinson, R. Hall, D. Loveden (ex-officio F. Roberts)

Finance:- Cllrs. J.M. Salmon, J. Marshall, A. Morton, (ex-officio F. Roberts)

Footpaths: Cllrs. B. Garthwaite, J. Marshall, A. Morton, J. Watson, (ex-officio F. Roberts)

Greens:- Cllrs. S. Clements, B. Garthwaite, A. Morton, A. Robinson (ex-officio F. Roberts)

Market Place:- Cllrs. D. Loveden, D. Murkett, A. Robinson (ex-officio F. Roberts)

Planning:- Cllrs. J. Marshall, B. Garthwaite, A. Morton, D. Murkett, A. Robinson (ex-officio F. Roberts)

Insp. Coates invited Councillors to attend Thirsk Police Station

Car Boot Sale - A letter from Great Northern Antiques Fairs, advised that they had decided not to operate on Bank Holiday Mondays in future

Public Inquiry into car parking charges. Cllr. Marshall reported on the Car Parking Inquiry and advised the Council that Hambleton District Council changed their case for Thirsk and claimed at the Inquiry that their case was for raising income. It was proposed Cllr. J. Marshall and seconded Cllr. Clements that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr Armstrong for his support, and to the Chamber of Trade for all their assistance.

Town Hall & Community Care Association accommodation - Cllr. J. Watson reported that the C.C.A. was desperately short of space which was putting pressure on existing services.

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St James Green's Improvement: Cllr. S. Clements reported that Hambleton District Council were willing to a feasibility study in respect of the Green's, as these are designated common land it was decided to ask the District Council's legal department for advice first. It was proposed Cllr. Clements, seconded Cllr. R. Hall that this be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Carr's Field: It was proposed Cllr. J. Marshall and seconded Cllr. J. Salmon that phase 1 to demolish the old building in Carr's Field go ahead. The full scheme to be referred to the Amenities Committee.

Norby Open Space: Cllr. J. Marshall reported that Hambleton Housing Association had agreed to requests from the ladies of Norby for some trees to screen the N.Y.C.C. Depot and tidy up the area near their garages. Proposed Cllr. J. Marshall & Seconded Cllr. Watson to agree in principle to support these ideas. It was also agreed to write re the Community Hall being available for young children, as it was currently only used by elderly people.

Flatts: A request for allowing for 1 professional cut of the Flatts, was received advising the Council that the grass had grown so quickly that the mowers were ineffective was considered. Proposed Cllr. R. Hall and seconded Cllr. Robinson that the Town Council pay for this 1 cut, if necessary.

Church Wall: Discussion took place as to how much assistance could be given towards the cost of re-building the boundary wall of the Church. It was proposed Cllr. J. Salmon and seconded Cllr. A. Robinson that a donation of £1,000 be given out of the Cemetery budget. Agreed.

Memorial: Inscription was approved for Doris Simpson dec'd.

Correspondence:

Local Government Review: Following the recent publication of the Local Government Review, Councillors were invited to discuss further the implications by the N.Y.C.C., H.D.C., Y.L.C.A.

It was agreed to hold a special meeting of the Town Council on 13th July to discuss same prior to attending these meetings.

Threat to Rural Post Offices - Proposed Cllr. J. Watson seconded Cllr. J. Marshall to write offering support for rural post offices.

Correspondence from Mrs Reynard listed a number of problems - these are in hand. Mrs Reynard and her helpers are anxious to improve land adjacent to the Millgate car park - enquiries to be made.

Band Stand: A letter was received asking the Council consider having a band stand erected in Town. Noted.

Open Spaces - The Coppice: Deeds for open space land in the Coppice have been received. These to be referred to the Council's solicitor and the Amenities Committee.

Play Area: Persimmon Homes have offered to provide a children's play area, off Long Street, and pay the sum of £775.00 towards future maintenance. It was proposed Cllr. J. Marshall and seconded Cllr. J. Marshall that this offer be accepted.

N.Y.C.C. Correspondence from the North Yorkshire County Council advised of changes in Public and School Transport. Cllrs. Watson and Robinson to report back to Council.

Minutes from Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Committee - received.

Minutes from Thirsk & Sowerby Conservation Area Advisory Group- noted.

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Sub-Committees:**Planning:**

Application No

2/93/152/0005J SITING OF A MOBILE CLASSROOM at THIRSK COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL, HAMBLETON PLACE, THIRSK for NYCC EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The Council wish to see the application GRANTED

Comments:- With two school governors on the Planning Sub-Committee we were surprised not to have been informed about this, but do not have any objection.

Application No

2/93/152/0216B CONVERSION OF EXISTING OFFICE/WORKSHOP TO A DWELLING at PORTERS VAULTS, CHAPEL STREET, THIRSK for M/s D.A. SINSON.

The Council wish to see the application GRANTED.

Comments:- This looks an interesting development, small, but very good, it puts the building to good use.

Only reservation is regarding the bay windows, we consider that they need to be more shallow so that vehicular access past the premises is not restricted.

Application No

2/90/152/ ALTERATION TO THE GOLDEN FLEECE HOTEL, MARKET PLACE, THIRSK

The Council wish to see this application GRANTED.**PLANNING RESULTS**

2/93/152/0164E T. G. Harper

GRANTED

2/93/152/0094D NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK

REFUSED

2/93/152/0312E STEAD & FLINTOFF & CO.

GRANTED

Finance Committee: Cllr. J. Salmon reported on the Finances of the Council.**District Plan;** Cllr. J. Salmon expressed concern raised by the District Wide Local Plan and the implications pointing to the number of extra houses needing to built in Thirsk area being in excess of 700 by the year 2006.**The Meeting closed at 10.30p.m.***Freda M Roberts***Chairman**

19-7-93

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 19th July 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), Mrs J. Watson, D. Loveden, B. Garthwaite, D. Murkett, A. Robinson, J. Marshall, R. Hall, and A.J. Morton.

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs S. Clements, & possible lateness J. Salmon.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 21st June 1993 having been circulated were considered read; Apologies should also have been recorded from Cllrs. B. Garthwaite, & Cllr. D. Loveden.

The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Watson and sec. Coun. Robinson.

Matters Arising: Letters of thanks from the C.C.A. and Mr Josephs for the donation to the church wall fund were noted.

Mr C. Jones, Chief Fire Officer advised in clarification that the reduction in personnel at Thirsk Fire Station was to be achieved through natural wastage and that the 'new' fire vehicle when received was to stay at Thirsk. After discussion it was decided that this may be difficult to guarantee as, in time, he would not have sufficient retained firemen available to man the vehicle. It was agreed to hold a public Meeting in September to advise the surrounding villages of the potential risk of this reduction in fire cover.

A letter from Wm Hague, M.P. advised that the rural post offices were not under threat by present Government Policy.

Hambleton Housing Association advised the Council that they were to consider the usage of Norby Community Hall. Noted.

District Councillor's Report: Cllr. J. Marshall advised that the District Council had decided not to introduce Taxi Meters.

Cllr. D. Murkett reported on a license application to introduce 24 A.W.P. machines into No 1 Kirkgate. Agreed that the Council should object as this was contrary to section HH1 of the Conservation Area.

Cllr. Marshall reported that the result of the Car Park Inquiry is to be announced tomorrow.

Local Government Review: Cllr. Marshall reported on the North Yorkshire County Council meeting to discuss the proposals from the Local Government Commissioners.

Other meetings to be held this week by Y.L.C.A. the Commission's public meeting and H.D.C. Noted.

St James Green's Improvement: Hambleton District Council advised that a car park could be constructed on St James's Green if the owner of the land sought Home Office approval. It was agreed to ask the District Council to carry out a feasibility study with a view to improve St James Green.

Play Equipment - County Primary School: District Council had advised that we could proceed and equip the play area and apply for grant. Cllr. Marshall advised that fencing specifications had been agreed.

Play equipment selected amounting to	£7,038
Installation costs and delivery charges -	£2,413
Safety Surface	£9,791
Total	£19,242

Proposed Cllr. Marshall seconded Cllr. Morton to go ahead. Agreed.

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District Wide Local Plan: The Clerk reported receipt of the Draft District Wide Local Plan to cover the period up to 2006. Local exhibitions to be on 17th & 20th September.

Carr's Field: The Clerk reported that the Yorkshire Rural Community Council were to commence work on the demolition of the old building in Carr's in the near future.

Memorial: New Memorial & Inscriptions were approved for:

Vera Harding also for: John Garthwaite

Correspondence:

N.Y.C.C. Correspondence from the North Yorkshire County Council advised of changes in administration. Noted.

Plump Bank: A letter from Sutton under Whitestonecliffe Parish drawing the Town Council's attention to the number of accidents at plump bank junction with Felixkirk Road was discussed. Agreed to write to N.Y.C.C. asking them to apply what safety measures they can.

Fire Safety: A letter from N.Y.C.C. stressed the continuing for organised Firework Displays, also letter from H.D.C. asked that local events such as caravan rallies be notified to Mr A. Horner, Fire Safety Officer. Noted.

Notice of application for an 'on premises licence' re Tree Tops Hotel, Sutton Road, Thirsk - Noted.

D. Bowe M.E.P.- Further information received re Draft Fresh Meat (Hygiene & Inspection) Regs 1992 - Noted.

Audit: The Clerk advised the Meeting that the Council's Books were now on deposit and were due to go to the auditor on 29th July 1993. Noted.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

L. Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. July	£ 325.00✓
H.D.C. - Community Charge Cemetery Lodge - 22nd July	£ 53.00✓
L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00	£ 8.00
Power Point -	£ 73.64✓
Thirsk Motors Ltd - petrol	£ 59.47✓
Y. C. C.- moving Notice Board & seats	£ 160.00✓
F. D. Todd & Sons - emptying skip	£ 65.80✓
S. Turner & Sons Ltd - pathclear	£ 15.69✓
A. Fattorini - repairs to mayoral jewel	£ 157.45✓
I. Atkinson - 4 hrs @ £5.00 (tidying play-area)	£ 20.00✓
P. Dunning - refund telephone rentals from 1/4/92	£ 101.36✓
- Room rent from 1/4/93 - 13 weeks @ £5	£ 65.00

Sub-Committees Reports:

Planning:

Cllr. B. Garthwaite asked to be taken off the Planning Committee.

A letter asking for 'No Parking' to be painted in the Market Place was discussed. It was agreed that this was not necessary but that the double yellow lines already in place should be enforced.

Cllrs. were asked to view shop frontages, with reference in particular to advertising in the Conservation Area and report back to District Council.

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Planning Applications:

2/93/152/0393B AMENDED DETAILS FOR TELLER MACHINE AT 22 MARKET PLACE, THIRSK

The Council wish to see the application REFUSED.

Comments:-Although this is in a better position, we have not been informed as to the medium. We do not consider this suitable within a Conservation Area

2/93/152/0027J USE OF EXIST COMMERCIAL VEHICLE GARAGE FOR THE STORAGE OF CARPETS at 29 WESTGATE, THIRSK for W. CALVERT CARPETS

The Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Comments:- If the garage is in use, where are the vehicles to go?

2/93/152/0027K CONVERSION OF EXIST DOMESTIC OUTBUILDING TO AN OFFICE AND USE OF EXISTING GARDEN AS A PARKING AREA IN CONNECTION WITH EXISTING CARPET WAREHOUSE. for W CALVERT CARPETS.

The Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Comments:- We would approve this BUT this is yet another retrospective application, the garden has already gone, and the conversion has been done, completely rebuilt without any plans or planning permission

2/93/152/0459A REV DETAILS OF THE CONVERSION OF EXIST STORAGE BUILDING TO A DWELLING TO INCLUDE ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING GROUND FLOOR SHOP at JOHNSONS YARD, REAR OF 1 KIRKGATE, THIRSK for JOHNSON PROPERTIES THIRSK

The Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Comments:-Pleased to see the yard is not being altered. Providing the people next door are happy about these alterations see no problems.

Planning Decisions:

Application No

2/92/152/0179A Appeal - D.V. Sinclair Esq.

Dismissed

2/93/152/058D Principal Hotels Plc

Refused

2/93/152/0216B D.A. Sinson

Refused

2/93/152/0302A Mr & Mrs S. Robson

Granted

2/93/152/0424D Northern Car Boot Fairs

Granted

Finance Committee: Cllr. J. Salmon reported on the Finances of the Council.

Chairman's Report: Cllr. F. Roberts reported that the re-decoration of the Town Hall was going ahead. Also that the Secretary, Mrs P. Davison had resigned and the Town Hall Committee were seeking a new secretary. Cllr. Roberts reported on a visit to the new Falconry Centre at Kirby Wiske and advised members that as falcons were used to clear airfields of birds, it had been suggested that they may help with the problems of pigeons in the Market Place. Noted.

Members Reports: Cllr. Murkett asked that 'tolerances' could be written into Standing Orders' so that the Council were not bound to accept lowest tender, in preference to a reasonable price from a contractor whose work record was known, as had occurred with this years Grasscutting Tenders.

He asked that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr W. Bell for cutting the grass on the Flatts when it had got out of control.

Cllr. R. Hall asked that consideration be given to the management of our Amenity Areas.

Cllr. Marshall reported the lease for the Community Hall is now with District Council. Also that the new Community Worker has now been taken up her post, at St James Hall.

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Cllr. J. Salmon expressed concern raised by the District Wide Local Plan and the implications pointing to the number of extra houses needing to be built in Thirsk area being in excess of 700 by the year 2006.

Cllr. Salmon also reported on the A.G.M. of the Citizens Advice Bureau. He proposed that the Town Council should offer a donation towards the running costs of the Bureau of £200.00. This to be considered.

Cllr. Salmon expressed deep concern over proposals to alter the bussing facilities provided to children attending the local Catholic School. He advised that parents of children from Northallerton would not accept these new proposals which would mean unsupervised mixing of age groups, and would take their children away from the school. This he explained would threaten the viability of the school and he asked for the Council to support the request for the grant to be maintained. Agreed to write to the County Council.

Cllr. J. Marshall reported on a recent visit to the Police Station, where it was noted that working conditions were not particularly good. It appeared that the Police Service were not investing in the viability of our Local Police Station. Agreed to write to the Chief Constable to state same.

Any other Business:

Cllr. F. Roberts reported that the Rev. Harding would shortly be leaving Thirsk to take up his new position. The Council wished to thank him for his invaluable work particularly in East Thirsk and wish him well in the future.

The Meeting closed at 10.30p.m.

Fred Roberts

16/8/93 Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 16th August 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J.M. Salmon, D. Loveden, J. Marshall, A.J. Morton, D. Murkett, A. Robinson, and Mrs J. Watson.

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs B. Garthwaite and S. Clements, & possible lateness D. Loveden and J. Salmon.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 19th July 1993 having been circulated were considered read; The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman prop. Cllr D. Murkett and sec. Cllr. A. Morton.
District Councillors Report: Cllr. D. Murkett had nothing to report.

Matters Arising:

Sutton Road/Felixkirk Junction: A letter from the County Surveyor advised that a junction improvement scheme has been programmed for the financial year 1996/97 - to be reviewed by the Area Highway Sub-Committee in October 1993. In the interim period consideration to be given to any signing/lining measures. Noted.

Fire Service Review - the proposed public meeting has not yet been arranged. Consideration to be given to inviting a representative from County.

Car Parking Inquiry - Result: The Inspector recommended that District Council should not implement charges at the present time. This has yet to go to the Leisure & Amenities Committee for ratification.

This result was due to the combined efforts of Council's and Chamber of Trade in both Northallerton & Thirsk, and thanks were extended to all concerned.

St James Green: Nothing further to report.

Play Area - Thirsk County Primary School: Cllr. J. Marshall reported that the lease was with our solicitor, also that there had been a site visit with one of the suppliers.

Management of Amenity Areas: Amenities Committee to consider what hours would be deemed necessary to keep our amenity areas tidy and to consider cost of same and report to Council.

Rural Development Commission: Cllr. Marshall reported on proposed boundary changes which would take a large part of Hambleton District out of the R.D.C.'s area, which would prevent many grant applications being realised. The Council endorsed Cllr Marshall's comments and agreed to appeal against these changes.

Yorkshire Day Celebrations: Cllr. Murkett reported on the excellent day spent in Leeds as part of the Yorkshire Day celebrations, with Cllrs. Roberts and Salmon. As the mayoral ribbon was considered, by some Councillors to be inadequate enquiries to be made as to the probable cost of purchasing a chain.

Cllr. D. Loveden joined the Meeting.

Planning: The following planning applications were considered.

2793/152/0452A Extension to existing dwelling at 92 Dowber Way, Thirsk for Mr & Mrs R. Brown

The Council wish to see the application refused.

Comments: This application should be turned down for the same reasons the previous application was turned down and their appeal dismissed. It is an overdevelopment of a small site, and will result in a series of small boxes. The view from the street will be out of character. We have concerns also about the resultant street parking from a property which regularly has several cars parked. The proposed utility room appears to have no plumbing and could easily be converted into a granny flat.

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2/93/152/0207B Application for Conservation consent for the demolition of part of existing dwelling at 9 Ingramgate, Thirsk for Mr N.M. Lee

The Council wish to see the application refused.

Comments: Since this is in the Conservation Area and we do not find the suggested replacement sympathetic

2/93/152/0440H Layout of land and construction of 27 dwellinghouses at Hambleton Drive, Thirsk for Hambleton Housing Association.

The Council wish to see the application refused.

Comments: We have serious concerns about the layout and consider that the Planning Committee should have a site visit. We are particularly concerned about the loss of privacy for the adjacent landowner at 'Marder Lerosse' Design poor of the seven one bedroomed terrace houses - don't like the backs of houses onto main road. Site apparently being developed contrary to H.D.C.'s guidelines - no play area and the nos of parking spaces too few. Many mature trees and shrubs are going to be lost in the development.

Resolved that these plans go forward to the Conservation Area Meeting for their comments. Agreed.

Golden Fleece - Correspondence from Planning gave the impression that the Flatts Car Park was in the ownership of District Council - this was not so.

No 1 Kirkgate - Government information enclosed indicated that this would not be allowed in a Conservation Area.

Planning Decisions:

J. Ferguson, 15 Darrowby Close

GRANTED

Nationwide Building Society

GRANTED

Appeal for Legal Costs: Mr Balmain's solicitor asked that his legal costs amounting to £400 be covered in full. The Council considered that their offer of £200 was generous. Prop. Cllr Loveden, sec. Cllr Morton not to offer more. Agreed.

Correspondence:

The Coppice - A letter from Council's solicitor advised of covenants which become void 'for money or money's worth'. Prop. Cllr Murkett sec. Cllr Loveden to follow solicitor's advice on this. Agreed. Cllr. J. Salmon arrived.

A complaint about the condition of the public toilets in the Market Place was passed on to Hambleton District Council.

Y.L.C.A. It was agreed to support the amendment for 1 Chairman and 2 Vice Chairman - Prop Cllr. Marshall and sec. Cllr Roberts.

The resolutions in respect of Rural Post Offices, Pharmacies, Police, Auditing, More Policemen and Hedgerows were supported by the Council. Tree, Mill Gardens - A request to plant a tree to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the Girl Guides . was approved. Site to be decided.

N.A.L.C. - The Centenary Conference to be held 16/17 April at Westminster. Noted.

N.Y.P.F.A. - The pageant of Play & Recreation cancelled due to lack of support.

Report - Mrs Gormley's report as chairman of the governors was noted.

Application for Licence received from Martin G. Pattison and Melody Bainbridge in respect of the Frankland Arms, Ingramgate. Noted.

Audit: The Clerk advised the Meeting that audit of the Council's Books was now completed. Noted.

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21/7/93.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

L. Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. Aug	£ 325.00✓
H.D.C. - Community Charge Cemetery Lodge - 22nd Aug	£ 53.00✓
L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00(+50p)	£ 8.50✓
Power Point -	£ 19.04✓
Mrs P. Dunning - float for postages	£ 100.00✓
C.E. & C.M. Walker - Grasscutting	£ 299.62✓
Yks. Purchasing - ribbons for Amstrad Printer	£ 45.12
Hambleton District Sports Council - affiliation Fee	£ 2.00✓

Reports:

Cllr. J. Marshall reported the ongoing problem of an unpleasant smell in Kirkgate - about which we are still receiving complaints, this is due in part to the poor condition of the old sewers.

Cllr. Marshall reported that on requesting early payment of the second instalment of Precept, District Council asked for detailed information on the Council's accounts and forthcoming spending, and examined our accounts at audit. It was prop Cllr. Murkett and sec. Cllr. Salmon to write expressing concern at this procedure. Also to request our Precept in one payment, if this was allowable.

Cllr. J. Salmon produced a financial report on the Town Council's expenditure. He received a vote of thanks for same.

Cllr. Salmon advised of a Public Meeting on Drug Awareness to be held in Thirsk Town Hall on 14th September.

Cllr. Roberts advised of the new appointment of a Traffic Warden.

New Memorial/Inscriptions:

Approved for Kathleen Maud Hopkins
Hilda Armstrong
Dennis Herbert Hill
Elizabeth Mansell

Any other Business:

Cllr. Roberts expressed concern about the excessive number of signs at Tree Tops, (no fewer than 9).

Cllr. Murkett circulated a photocopy of a 'Rebound Wall' - incorporating many play features.

Local Gov. Review - Cllr. Marshall reported on the poor attendance at our Public Meeting and the local apathy about the proposed changes.

Cllr. Watson expressed concern about the Thirsk Industrial Estate. The area was poorly maintained and there had been several break ins recently in spite of the high rents and rates paid by the occupiers.

It was agreed to write to the chairman of the Economic Development Committee and the Planners to ask for some improvement.

Cllr. F. Roberts reported on efforts to improve an area adjoining the Car Park; Mrs Reynard and her helpers had volunteered to plant the area after the site has been levelled and the footpath extended.

Cllr. Roberts reported on her attendance at Leeming Air Fair.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Town Council on the Tuesday 21st September as our original date clashed with the Public Meeting about the District Plan.

The Meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

Frieda M. Roberts

21/9/93

Chairman

ALL SAINTS PRIMARY SCHOOL, THIRSK

GOVERNORS ANNUAL REPORT AND ANNUAL MEETING OF PARENTS

Monday 12 July 1993 at 7.30 pm

1. Introduction

The purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for parents to discuss with the Governors and the Head what has been happening in the school over the last year. In general, this will mean discussion of the Governors' Annual Report to Parents, included below. Parents may also raise other matters concerning the way the Governing Body, the Head and the LEA have carried out their responsibilities for the school.

It is an opportunity for parents to raise matters of general concern.

The Governors are required by the 1986 Education (No 2) Act to issue a report to parents and, in doing so, follow the requirements of the Act as to the report's contents.

2. The Governing Body

The Governing Body is composed of the following:-

7 x Foundation Governors

Appointed by the R C Diocese of Middlesbrough (at least one shall, at the date of appointment, be the parent of a pupil at the school)

Rev J Brennan
Rev J O'Brien
Mrs Carol Bishop
(Foundation Parent Governor)
Mr Michael Harvey
Mr Peter Middleton
Dr Philip Casey
Mr E Marchal

1 x Parent Governor

Elected by Ballot of Parents

Mrs Lewen

1 x Representative Governor

Appointed by North Yorkshire County Council

Mr J Salmon

1 x Representative Governor

Appointed by Thirsk Town Council

Mrs D Gormley

1 x Teacher Governor

Elected by teaching staff at the school

Mrs Smart

1 x Head Teacher Governor

Mr J Livsey

3. Terms of Office

Foundation Governors - four years from 1 September 1989

Representative Governors - same period as for appointing Local Authority

Teacher Governor - two years from 1 January 1993

Parent Governor - two years from 4 October 1991

You will see that the terms of office of the Foundation Governors and Mrs Lewen will come to an end in the Autumn. You will shortly be given nomination forms and further information for the election of a Parent Governor so that the appointment can take place by 5 October 1993.

4. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Governing Body are Mrs D Gormley and Mr M Harvey respectively. They were re-elected on 22 September 1992.

Mr P Bramhall is Clerk to the Governors.

5. The Governors have held meetings on:-

22 September 1992
4 November 1992
19 November 1992
21 January 1993
10 February 1993
1 March 1993
29 March 1993
22 April 1993
13 May 1993
22 June 1993

6. Matters Considered by the Governors

(a) 22 September 1992

Mrs Gormley was re-appointed as Chairman and Mr Harvey was re-appointed as Vice-Chairman of Governors.

The Governors were shown the alterations which had been done to create the new classroom. This has improved the teaching environment of the school.

Mr Livsey reported that there would be 109 pupils attending school.

There was no money left for the library shelving project. The Governors wished to express their gratitude to Mrs Jamieson for her effort in that cause, raising £300 to buy National Curriculum books.

The Department for Education have approved recladding of the roof and replacing windows. The Diocese have said that the money is available for their share. Total cost approximately £35,000. This was submitted to the Diocese.

The District Council is now responsible for fire safety and it was discovered that there is no legal requirement for the school to have a fire alarm. It was resolved to take advice regarding desirability of fire alarms and to obtain a costing.

The wording of the draft school brochure was approved.

Mr Peter Middleton was co-opted onto the Finance Working Party.

Consideration was given to the possibility of not having afternoon playtime and finishing early, at 3.15 pm. This would cause problems for bus children and was rejected.

(b) 4 November 1992

Mr Livsey informed the Governors that Mrs Morgan had been appointed as a Teacher of Ampleforth School and had therefore resigned from All Saints. All the Governors expressed regret at the loss from the school of a fine dedicated Teacher who enriched the school with many qualities. Particular regret was expressed over the loss of her musical expertise. The Governors wished her good luck in her new post.

(c) 19 November 1992

The cost of installing fire alarms would be the Governors' responsibility, but the maintenance would be that of the Education Authority.

The idea of loose leaf folders to hold the school brochure was approved. Father O'Brien, very generously, offered to fund the cost of the folders.

A report was sent to the Governors regarding class numbers and teaching resources available from January 1993. This will mean a reduction in hours to Head Teacher plus 3.5. This in turn will mean, again, a reduction from five to four classes from January 1993.

Mr Livsey suggested that the school be actively promoted within the community, to boost pupil numbers which would attract increased teaching resources.

Security remains a problem, in view of another break-in on 8 November 1992. The local Crime Prevention Officer was contacted who advised that an alarm would be most effective.

The consensus of the Finance Working Party was to accept County Hall's recommendations regarding local management of schools without amendments. The Governors agreed.

It was brought to the Governors' attention that the Governors' fund was very low and that there were few funds available to pay for repairs not covered by County Hall. Suggestions were made as to how this could be improved.

Father O'Brien donated £100 towards burglar alarm costs. This was gratefully received.

Classroom 5 was completed, £400 below budget.

(d) 21 January 1993

Mr P Middleton was welcomed to the Governing Body as the new Foundation Governor in place of Mrs E Cullimore. The Governors expressed their thanks for Mrs Cullimore's contribution to the Governing Body and wished her luck in her new home.

Mr Livsey had resigned from All Saints School to take up the headship of St Marys School, Knaresborough. The Governors wished to express their great regret at the loss of such a committed, dedicated and enthusiastic Head Teacher, whose presence and personality have been evident in the development of our happy school. The Governors wish him luck in his new appointment.

(e) 10 February 1993

The attached Mission Statement was adopted for the school (Appendix 1). Mr Livsey reported the favourable comments made by HMI on a recent visit to the school. Governors decided to pass this good news on to parents.

The Governors gave enthusiastic backing to a campaign by Mrs Ludlow of Sowerby Primary School to seek improvements to road safety on Green Lane.

(f) 1 March 1993

This was a meeting to give preliminary consideration to applications for the post of Head Teacher.

(g) 29 March 1993

Meeting held to shortlist candidates for the post of Head Teacher.

(h) 22 April 1993

Interviews for the post of Head Teacher.

Mr Terence Starr, the current Deputy Head of St Marys RC Primary School in Radcliffe, was appointed as the new Head Teacher to commence in September 1993.

(i) 13 May 1993

The Governors considered a detailed report prepared by the Finance Working Party and approved the draft budget for 1993/94. This included the setting of the teaching staff establishment at Headteacher + 3.4.

The Governors received two quotes for installation of burglar alarms and resolved to recommend the Parents Association to accept the quote from Monks at £538 + VAT.

Governors felt that the quote submitted by Monks for the installation of a fire alarm at £901 + VAT was excessive but that it should be referred to the Parents Association.

Governors supported the efforts of the Northallerton Catholic Parents Association to prevent County Hall from altering the transport arrangements for Northallerton children attending the school.

(j) 22 June 1993

The minutes of this meeting are not yet available.

7. Attached is the financial summary for the school for the financial year 1992/93 (Appendix 2).

8. The school has been involved in a number of events within the community including:-

Harvest festival, Bedale Six-a-Side football competition, Knayton netball and football tournament, Carlton Miniott football/netball competition, Topcliffe "Its a Knockout", visits to the market, fire station, post office and cattle market.

The children have also raised £46 for CAFOD and £473 for the Good Shepherd Fund.

9. Local Management of Schools

The school received a fully delegated budget under Local Management of Schools on 1 April 1993. To assist the Governors with the management of the school budget a peripatetic bursar has been appointed.

10. Governors' Fund

The current balance in the Governors' account is £209.86.

11. HMI Report

A favourable report was received from HMI after a recent visit to the school. Details of the report were sent to parents.

12. Promoting the School

Governors have progressed a number of initiatives to promote the school in the community including:-

A visit to the Sacred Heart by Mr Livsey, staff and Governors with a display of childrens work.

An open afternoon, posters and photographs at both churches and the appointment of a publicity officer, Mrs Sue Wildash, who we would like to thank for the work she has already done on behalf of the school.

We would also like to thank all the teaching staff and the non-teaching staff for their hard work this year, especially in the face of all the extra work resulting from changes in the National Curriculum and the delegation of the school's budget. We are sure that the reputation the school has built up as a result of their efforts will be continued and developed through the appointment of Mr Starr.

Thanks must, again, go to the Parent Teachers' Association for their work in promoting the school and the support they have given to the staff and the Governors, both practical and financial.

13. Agenda

- (a) Opening Prayer.
 - (b) Welcome and introduction by Chairman.
 - (c) Report of the Governors.
 - (d) Any matters arising.
 - (e) Head Teacher's Comments.
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I hope you will be able to join us at the Annual Meeting of Parents.

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Adopted 10 Feb 1993

MISSION STATEMENT - THIRSK ALL SAINTS RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

1. The aims of the school are -

- (a) to develop the individual child's relationship with God and their understanding of the Catholic Faith;
- (b) to be a living, caring community in which the practice of the Catholic Faith is fundamental;
- (c) to provide a broad, balanced curriculum centred on Christ's teaching which gives each child the opportunity to develop their full intellectual, physical and spiritual potential;
- (d) to make the partnership which already exists between home, school and parish continue to flourish;
- (e) to care for the children in such a way that their spiritual, moral, intellectual and physical potential may develop in a harmonious way and that they attain knowledge, a sense of responsibility, tolerance, the right use of freedom and be able to take an active part in society.

2. These aims may be achieved

- (a) spiritually, through daily prayer, the curriculum, school assemblies, Mass and the sacraments;
- (b) by relationships between staff and pupils within the school showing that the world is God's and all teaching and learning is related to Him;
- (c) by providing the tools appropriate for all aspects of learning so that both education and faith development continue outside the school;
- (d) by providing opportunities for children to use their Catholic Faith in their relationships at home, at school and in the parish;
- (e) by making the children aware of their place and value in the world and their relationship with others of different cultural, religious and social backgrounds.

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Tuesday, 21st September 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J.M. Salmon, S. Clements, R. Hall, D. Murkett, A. Robinson, and Mrs J. Watson.

Apologies: Apologies for absence received from Cllrs B. Garthwaite Marshall & Morton.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 16th August 1993 having been circulated were considered read; The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman prop. Cllr D. Murkett and sec. Cllr. A. Robinson.

Police Report: Insp. Coates gave thanks to the Community for all contributions to the Police Academy. Thanks from the Council were extended for the recent Drug Awareness Meeting. The mini roundabout in the market place with the junction with Kirkgate was still under consideration.

District Councillors Report: Councillor Murkett reported on the Licensing Committee when the application for licence to install 24 AWP's machines was refused.

Matters Arising:

Sutton Road/Felixkirk Junction: A letter from NYCC advised of cautionary signs to be placed at the junction. The Clerk was asked enlist Cllr. Turton's support to bring the Junction Improvement Scheme forward (Scheduled for 1996/97)

Rural Development Commission: Our Comments were acknowledged and noted. Precept: HDC advised that the precept is payable in two instalments and we would need to prove a need to claim in advance. Noted.

Thirsk Industrial park: Currently awaiting a report from the Economic Development Sub-Committee on the need to maintain areas of land on its Industrial Estates.

Footpath, Millgate: The proposed footpath extension is to be carried in the near future. Noted.

Resignation: Cllr. Roberts advised the meeting that Cllr. Loveden has resigned. Councillors expressed regret and extended thanks for his service. A casual vacancy was declared.

St James Green: District Council had liaised with the landowner as to his views. The Council agreed that District Council should proceed with the drafting of an enhancement scheme.

Play Area - Thirsk County Primary School: Nothing further to report.

Christmas Lights Committee: Cllr. Robinson advised that there was to be a meeting with the Chamber of Trade to coordinate their schemes. Cllr. J. Salmon was coopted on to the sub committee.

Application for Licences: The following were noted.

D.T. Davies & P. Latham in respect of the Blacksmith's Arms

P.J. Bushell & R.J. Crowther in respect of Yks. Co-Operative Ltd

Planning Decisions:

W. Calvert Carpets

GRANTED

W. Calvert Carpets

GRANTED

Parochial Church Council

GRANTED

Skipton Building Society

REFUSED

Johnson Properties Thirsk

GRANTED with Conditions

FWR.

Planning: The following planning applications were considered.
Application No

2/93/152/0180F/G MIDLAND BANK, 77 MARKET PLACE, THIRSK

The Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Comments: The Town Council accept the change but would support the District Council's wish for traditional materials

2/93/152/0080F CHANGE OF USE OF EXISTING SHOP TO A RESTAURANT & WINE BAR at 15A MILLGATE, THIRSK for Mr & Mrs R. BROWN

The Council wish to see the application REFUSED

Comments:-This property backs onto a residential area of Elderly People - Gillings Court old peoples home and nearby Abbeyfield. This proposal would introduce late night activity into a normally quiet area.

Nearby property is currently being restored into residential use.

The proposed toilet arrangements are, in our opinion, inadequate.

The Toilet and kitchen arrangements are not satisfactory in such close proximity.

We object to the OUT OF DATE site plan provided and dated 9/8/93 since this does not show Millgate Car Park or Gillings Court.

2/93/152/0460A ALTERATIONS & EXTENSIONS TO EXIST. DISUSED AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS TO FORM A DWELLING WITH DOMESTIC GARAGE at SPA HOUSE FARM, NORTHALLERTON ROAD, THIRSK for JOHN BELL

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0328C CHANGE OF USE OF EXISTING BIRD MUSEUM TO OFFICES at 87B MARKET PLACE, THIRSK for DAVID ANDERSON & CO

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0003AJ ALTERATIONS & EXTENSIONS TO EXIST. OFFICES AT STATION ROAD, THIRSK FOR DISPOL UK LTD.

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0469 CONSTRUCTION OF AN ELECTRICITY SUBSTATION BUILDING AT REAR OF CASTLEGATE, THIRSK for NORTHERN ELECTRIC

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

Comments This sub station needs severs screening due to the very solid brickwalls. The side elevation facing the path could have some interesting detail in the brickwork. Two trees adjacent to the site should have tree preservation orders put on them prior to the development. The Town Council have concerns about any potential damage to an ancient archaeological site.

2/93/152/0099C CONSTRUCTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL BUILDING FOR STORAGE PURPOSES at PART O.S. FIELD 5943 PLUMP BANK, FELXKIRK ROAD, THIRSK for MR P.J. ADLINGTON

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0326B ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING SHOP at 26 MARKET PLACE, THIRSK, for LEATHLEYS QUALITY FARE LIMITED.

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

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2/93/152/0470 EXTENTION TO EXISTING BUNGALOW at 17 FAIRFIELD, STOCKTON ROAD, THIRSK for MR & MRS M.E. HANCOCK

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

Comments:- Site plan is OUT OF DATE not showing Stoneybrough Close.

Bedroom 1 - the east facing wall looks to be in need of a window particularly in the end near the en-suite bathroom.

2/93/152/0033D CONSTRUCTION OF 3 TERRACED DWELLINGS WITH DOMESTIC GARAGES AT LAND TO REAR OF ROYAL OAK YARD, THIRSK FOR THIRSK CAR CENTRE

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

Comments:- Town Council will be pleased to see this redundant site occupied.

The elevation facing the Castle terrace could be relieved by a couple of rows of contrasting bricks.

2/93/152/0192A APPLICATION FOR LISTED BUILDINGS CONSENT FOR THE DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BAY WINDOWS AND INSTALLATION OF 2 REPLACEMENT WINDOWS at 21 FINKLE STREET, THIRSK. for MS S. COSTLEY.

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED

2/93/152/0196A CHANGE OF USE OF EXISTING DWELLING TO A DENTAL SURGERY at 19 FINKLE STREET, THIRSK for R. FIRTH

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

Comments: The Voundary wall should be moved to make as large a parking space as possible for STAFF ONLY since parking is available on the nearby Market Place, as now, for his existing practice

2/93/152/0196A APPLICATION FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT FOR ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING DWELLING AND DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BOUNDARY WALL AND GARAGE at 19 FINKLE STREET, THIRSK for F. FIRTH

The Council wish to see this application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0440H LAYOUT OF LAND AND CONSTRUCTION OF 26 DWELLINGHOUSES at HAMBLETON DRIVE, THIRSK for HAMBLETON HOUSING ASSOC

The Council wish to see the application REFUSED

Comments:- The Town Council wish to see the whole scheme reconsidered - we find the layout totally unacceptable. It is not in accordance with Hambleton District Council's own policy as stated in the Local Plan with regard to car parking and the provision of play areas - we see no reason for this development to be treated differently from any other potential development. At a recent local hearing the Inspector was advised by the District Council's Officer that 'a minimum distance of 20 metres from window to window of facing property to proposed new development was the ideal'. The Marder Lerosse bungalow and the proposed block of three would be only 11 metres apart. The revised plan has not been amended to reflect the concerns of the Town Council and Mr Rose regarding the overlooking of his property. Also Mr Rose is likely to be overlooked from both sides since the adjoining 'White Horse House' has planning permission for converting into 12 flats, some with balconies - which would overlook his bungalow. It should be noted that Marder Lerosse was built 1 year after Sutton House was built - when it could reasonably be anticipated that Sutton House would last at least as long as his bungalow, and certainly not that houses would be built this close to him. This must have a detrimental affect on his amenities.

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2/93/152/0201E OUTLINE APPLICATIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT TO
INCLUDE OPEN SPACE AT LAND OFF ST MARYS CLOSE, THIRSK
FOR MR & MRS TAYLOR

The Council wish to see this application REFUSED.

Comments: This land has been in previous Local Plans as a Designated Open Space and remains in the proposed Draft Local Plan as such. The Town Council are adamant that this land remain as Open Space.

Correspondence:

A letter from North Yorkshire Police advised of upgrading to be undertaken at Thirsk Police Station. Noted.

Mini Rycling Centre: A request for suitable sites for specially adapted wheeled bins was referred to Amentities Committee.

Dog Club Supervisor: The possible setting up of a dog club was noted.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Committee: Minutes of 12th July ere noted.

Tree Planting Scheme: Council was reminded that grant aid for the planting of trees must be submitted by 25th October.

Thirsk & Sowerby Conservation Area Advisory Group: Minutes of the meeting held on 17th August were noted.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

L. Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. Sept	£ 325.00✓
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North Yks. County Council - hire of Court House	£ 45.00✓
Thirsk Motors Ltd - petrol	£ 93.78✓
Yorkshire Water - Cemetery Lodge	£ 101.26✓
Audit Commission - fee for year 1992/93	£ 261.27✓
Cod Beck Internal Drainage Board	£ 14.10✓
P. Dunning - Salary June, July & August £625.00	
Room Rent 13 wks @ £5 £ 65.00	
Telephone Rental June to Nov £ 52.68	£ 742.68✓
Farm & Land Services Ltd - grasscutting 29/5/93	£ 130.42✓
(N.B. We complained about lack of cutting 29/6/93)	
C.E. & C.M. Walker - grasscutting	£ 285.52✓
Fox's - photocopying	£ 15.72✓

Sub-Committees;

Finance: Cllr. Salmon produced up to date reports. He proposed transferring £200 to the Clerk's Gratuity Fund. Agreed Cllrs. Murkett and Roberts. Cllr. Salmon asked that Committees should be considering next year's program in preparation for the November Budget.

Cemetery: Cllr. Hall reported on maintenance being carried out at Cemetery House. He advised he would shortly hold a meeting.

Amentity: Cllr. Watson advised of consideration being given to the employment of an Amenty Worker apprrrox. 10 hours/week at a salary of £1,500. Cllr. Hall considered that supervision would prove difficult. Proposed Cllr. Murkett and seconded Cllr. Hall that the views of the District Council be sought before proceeding.

Reports;

Cllr. Murkett reported on the recent seminar at Ilkley. He had attended the seminar on Village Greens and Cllr. Salmon had attended Play Equipment seminar - both considered the content good.

Cllr. Salmon told the meeting the the C.C.A. are currently looking to find a suitable building to purchase. The Town Council were supportive of this.

Full

Exclusive Rights of Burial: Granted 21st September

Mrs Hilda Armstrong
Mr Dennis Herbert Hill
Mrs Elizabeth Mansell
Mr Peter Reynolds
Mr & Mrs B.M. Saunders
Mr Thomas Cunningham
Mr R. Armstrong

New Memorial/Inscriptions; Approved 21st September

New Memorial for Mary Young
New Memorial for Peter Reynolds

Any Other Business:

Car Boot Sales: Cllr. Salmon understood that these were to re-locate across the road from their present site for 7 weeks.

Market Charters: Cllr. Murkett advised that the Government are considering writing off the old Market Charters.

Cllr. Robinson expressed concern about the finger post and the fact that these were constantly being turned around. Agreed to consult District Council and the supplier to have them secured.

The Meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Mrs M. Roberts

Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 18th October 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J.M. Salmon, A. Morton, J. Marshall, D. Murkett, A. Robinson, and Mrs J. Watson.

Apologies: Apologies for absence received from Cllr B. Garthwaite & Cllr. R. Hall.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 21st September 1993 having been circulated were considered read; The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman prop. Cllr D. Murkett and sec. Cllr. A. Robinson.

County Councillor Report: Cllr. G. Turton advised the Council that he had written in support of the Council's views re the District Draft Plan and also to the Rural Development Commission. He considered the Plump Bank junction not to be a major priority but promised to give support to the Council's views.

Cllr. Turton expressed concern on District Council's decision in regard to the Sutton House site not having a play area.

Police Report: Sgt. Harris advised Councillors of parking restrictions to be brought in near the Long Street roundabout and along Barbeck. Cllr. J. Salmon reiterated concern about bikes being ridden without lights. - Sgt Harris advised that the Police would be again be endeavouring to raise public awareness of the dangers.

Cllr. Robinson spoke on the increasing number of burglaries - Sgt Harris referred to the success of the Neighbourhood Watch scheme and advised of a meeting re the same in November.

On the problem of youths drinking in the town centre the Sgt. advised that the police endeavour to make parents more aware of the dangers. Concern was expressed on the way some drivers 'take off' and 'charge' along the cobbles; these isolated incidents were difficult to control. A complaint about car drivers blocking the road at the post box near the sorting office was noted - the Police to consider a course of action.

District Councillor's report: Cllr. Marshall reported on the success on getting the Car Parking Charges dropped 'for the present time'. The change of presentation of District Council's original case from Management to Income, had led to upset and accusations. Councillors agreed that the Town Council were not happy about this.

Discussion took place on the recommendation to support the principle of having a taxi rank in the Market Place, and to have the weight limit reduced from 7 ton down to 3½ ton. Agreed.

Matters Arising:

Casual Vacancy: As electors had not requested an election - the Council are to co-opt a new member on to the Council. It was requested that anyone interested should write within fourteen days.

Christmas Lights: Cllr. Robinson advised the Council that the lights would be switched on 22nd November.

Medieval Fayre - Cllr. Marshall advised that this was to be on 15th December and that there was to be a competition for the best stall.

Market Charters: Cllr. Murkett made comment on the move afoot to abolish the ancient Market Charters. It was agreed to write to Wm Hague, M.P., our M.E.P. the Dept of Trade & the Home Office, expressing our concern.

St James Green: Discussion took place following a complaint from Mr & Mrs Moore that the 'roadway' on the Greens was getting much worse. Proposed Cllr. Roberts, Seconded Cllr. Salmon and agreed by the Council that some patching up be done as an interim measure and that we endeavour to get the Improvement Scheme done soon.

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It was agreed to have a further meeting of the Green's Committee prior to meeting with the District Council and that at least two Town Council representatives meet with the District Council - Cllr. Clements to be advised.

Draft District Plan; Discussion took place on the content of the proposed District Plan. The Town Council supported the District Plan in as far as it referred to Thirsk, with emphasis on the following points. Agreed.

- a) That consideration be given to providing a lorry park
- b) Recreation Land - That the District Council be asked to implement it's own policies and provide East Thirsk with a recreational area as has been identified in the draft plan for a number of years.
- c) Play Areas- That the District carry out it's own recommendations in respect of providing play areas on developments of more than 10 houses, in line with the guidelines laid down by the Northern Playing Fields Association.

Carrs Field: Nothing further top report

Play Area - Thirsk County Primary School: Cllr. Marshall reported that we are currently still awaiting completion of the lease. Representatives from Wicksteads are to inspect the site on Wednesday.

Citizens Advice Bureau: Cllr. Salmon advised the Council on the financial situation of the C.A.B. and that despite various grants they are still in need of assistance. After discussion it was Proposed Cllr. Salmon and sec. Cllr. Roberts that a donation of £200.00 be given towards their 'Money advice work'.

Planning:

Concerns were expressed about the representation of the views of Thirsk Town Council to Committee - agreed that we ask a senior member of the planning staff to attend our next meeting to discuss same.

Planning Applications Received:

2/93/152/33D Amended Details for 3 Dwellings in the Royal Oak Yard, Thirsk

The Town Council approve this.

2/93/152/0472 Additional Plans for Change of use of Land to Car Park at Land off the Marage, Thirsk for W. Calvert Esq.

The Town Council approve - with the addition of the riverside walk.

2/93/152/0440H Amended plans - 26 Houses at Sutton House, Hambleton Drive

THE TOWN COUNCIL STILL CANNOT APPROVE THIS AND STILL WISHES TO SEE THE PLAN REFUSED.

Comments:- The Town Council is still not happy about this planning application for the reasons previously stated. We are particularly concerned about the detrimental effect on Mr Rose's property and still feel justified in asking that a play area be included in accordance with recommendations put forward in the District Wide Local Plan.

2/93/152/0471 Ext to dwelling at 99 Long St., Thirsk for G. Hunt

We are not happy with the flat roof - in particular in the Conservation Area, particularly since the land at the back has planning permission.

2/93/152/0126W Application for listed building consent for the conversion of existing first & second floor hotel accommodation to 7 self contained flats at the Royal Oak Hotel, Market Place, Thirsk for Thirsk Investments Ltd.

The Council wish to see the application approved.

Planning Decisions:

Midland Bank PLC

GRANTED with conditions

Midland Bank PLC

GRANTED with conditions

Mr N. Lee

GRANTED with Conditions

Mr & Mrs R. Brown

REFUSED

Mr & Mrs W. Rukin

GRANTED with conditions

Mr & Mrs B.D. Day

GRANTED with Conditions

Dispol UK

GRANTED with Conditions

P.J. Adlington

GRANTED with Conditions

Correspondence:

Proposed Playground, Norby - it was proposed Cllr. Marshall seconded Cllr. Roberts that the Town Council take over the proposed Play area in Norby, Thirsk. Agreed

Committee Reports:

Finance - Cllr. J. Salmon reported on the Town Council's Finances.

Amenity - Cllr. J. Watson reported on discussions concerning the proposal to employ an amenity worker. The Clerk to be responsible for the supervision of this person. It was proposed Cllr. F. Roberts seconded Cllr. D. Murkett that this be adopted with the provision that it be reviewed again in 3 months.

Trees - An application for tree grant to be considered from East Thirsk, with our own when making application for tree grant.

Members Reports;

Cllr. Murkett - reported that he had been elected chairman of the J.E.C. of the Y.L.C.A.

Cllr. A. Morton reported that the T.I.C. had had a good year with booking up 33%.

Cllr. J. Marshall reported on the meeting with Mr M. Brighton of the Fire Officers Union when he confirmed our fears about Fire Cover.

Cllr. J. Salmon reported on the increased work done by the C.A.B. and the excellent work done by them.

Cllr. Salmon advised the meeting that work had now started on the East Thirsk Community Hall, the project worker Mrs Askham, is seeking volunteers in respect of Community Efforts.

Tribute was paid to Mr Basil Young, with condolences to be sent to Community Care Association.

Any other Business:

A complaint re the steps near the bungalows Norby, to be passed on. Proposed Cllr. Roberts sec. Cllr. Murkett that a donation of £100.00 be given to Thirsk School towards cost of advertisement.

Cllr. Roberts reported on the Thirsk Primary School swim for Asthma.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

I. Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. Oct	£ 325.00
H.D.C. - Community Charge Cemetery Lodge - 22nd Oct	£ 53.00
L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00(+50p)	£ 8.50
Thirsk Motors Ltd - petrol	£ 49.36
J. E. & C.M. Walker - grasscutting	£ 97.53
Power Point - Oil & parts for Hayter cutter	£ 11.20
F.D. Todd & Sons - emptying skip	£ 65.80
Clerk's expenses - course fees/travelling expenses	£ 33.94
K. Reynard - work at Mill Gardens	£ 234.00
East Thirsk Community Assoc. - 1st if 2 payments	£ 1500.00
I. Atkinson - 5 hrs Work at Play Area/telephone rental	£ 44.54
Citizens Advice Bureau - donation	£ 200.00
Cllr. Mrs F. Roberts - Chairman's Allowance	£ 50.00
Thirsk School - donation	£ 100.00

The Meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

Freda M. Roberts.
Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 15th November 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J.M. Salmon, A. Morton, J. Marshall, B. Garthwaite, R. Hall, A. Robinson, and Mrs J. Watson.

Apologies: Apologies for absence received from Cllr D. Murkett & Cllr. S. Clements.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 18th October 1993 having been circulated were considered read; The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman prop. Cllr A. Morton and sec. Cllr. J. Watson.

District Councillor Report: Cllr. J. Marshall reported on a meeting with members of District Council where it was stated that Car Parking Charges would not be brought in during the lifetime of this Council. Cllr. Marshall requested that a separate meeting be arranged with Mr Quartermain to allow for proper discussion about planning. Agreed.

Matters Arising:

Cllr. Salmon reiterated his concern about children riding bikes without lights. Agreed to enlist help of the School Governors.

Fire Cover - Concern was expressed about further drastic cut backs now being proposed in respect of fire cover. Proposed A. Morton seconded Cllr. Marshall to write to County Council, District Council, Wm Hague, English Heritage & National Trust, asking for support.

Co-Option: Three applicants had written re the casual vacancy - these were discussed and a vote taken. As there was a tie, it was proposed Cllr. Robinson and seconded Cllr. Morton that the Chair had a casting vote. Agreed. Mrs Lona Brown was duly voted to fill the casual vacancy.

St James Green: Nothing further to report. Agreed to contact Cllr. Clements re finance for 1993/94.

Carrs Field: Mr John Haigh of Yorkshire Rural Community Council had visited the site and proposed going ahead with the construction of the shelter. Proposed Cllr. Hall seconded Cllr. Morton to remove and store the bricks until decisions on the overall plan be reached. Agreed. A meeting to be arranged early in the new year.

County Primary School: Nothing further to report.

Standing Orders were suspended to hear comments from residents of St James Green.

Standing Orders Resumed.

Millgate Car Park Extension: Following a deputation from residents of St James Green expressing concern about the loss of the orchard with the proposed car park extension and the possible effect on the flow of flood water when the river was in spate; It was proposed Cllr Salmon and seconded Cllr. Morton that the archaeological site remain as zoned in the existing local plan. It was proposed Cllr. Watson seconded Cllr. Marshall that the orchard site be zoned as green wedge in the new plan. Agreed by a majority of 7 with 1 abstention. It was agreed to request information from the recent N.Y.C.C. report into bridges.

Medieval Fayre: It was proposed Cllr. Marshall and seconded Cllr. Morton that the Town Council are prepared to indemnify the Fayre in respect of their deposit of £50 for clean up.

Cllr. Robinson asked the Council to consider hiring the children's roundabout so that the children could have free rides. It was proposed Cllr. Hall and seconded Cllr. Salmon that the Town Council subsidise up to £100 to provide free rides for the children.

PLANNING:**Planning Results;**

Mr & Mrs R. Brown (Not Wine Bar)	Granted with conditions
Mr & Mrs Hancock	Granted
Mr R. Firth	Granted
Leathley's Quality Fare Ltd	Granted
D. Anderson & Co	Granted
Ms Costley	Granted

Planing Application: The following Applications were discussed.

2/93/152/0017H	Construction of a Detached Dwellinghouse and Domestic Garage at Land Adjacent Millbank Court, Station Road, Thirsk <u>No objections.</u>
2/93/152/0102M	Extension to existing Garage Forecourt by incorporating the use and Landscaping of Existing Adjacent Domestic Garden at 1 Westgate, Thirsk <u>This is not in Character with the Conservation Area.</u>
2/93/152/0185D	Display of 3 Externally Illuminated Wall Signs and an Externally Illuminated Projecting Sign at The Black Swan, Norby Thirsk <u>No objections.</u>
2/93/152/0303K	Alterations to Existing Hot Food Take-Away Shop to Include the Installation of a Flue and a Canopy at 21 Millgate, Thirsk <u>No objections.</u>
2/93/152/0303L	Display of an Externally Illuminated projecting Sign at 21 Millgate, Thirsk <u>No objections</u>
2/93/152/0442C	Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse at 1 Darrowby Close, Thirsk for Mr K. Hardcastle <u>No objections.</u>
2/93/152/0462A	Alterations and Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse to Include a Domestic Garage to replace Existing Garage at 66 St Marys Walk, <u>No objections</u>
2/93/152/0471A	Application for Conservation Area Consent for the Demolition of part of Existing Dwelling at 99 Long Street, Thirsk <u>No objections</u>

Correspondence:

Proposed waiting restrictions on Stammergeate and York Road roundabout were discussed. The Council considered that solid white lines on the exit from Stammergeate together with a HALT sign was necessary. Councillors considered that a single south bound and a single north bound would be better than the proposals. Comment was made on the difficulty to find suitable adjacent parking.

Correspondence from N.Y.C.C. on the winter maintenance of highways was noted.

Parish Paths Partnership - the N.Y.C.C. has now launched this scheme - a meeting to be arranged in the near future with Ms Hilder, at which Sowerby wish to be included.

H.H.A. Councillors were disappointed with recent correspondence. To week comments from E.H.O.

Relate- An appeal for funds was noted.

Minutes from Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Committee - 4 Oct. Noted.

Thirsk Social Flying Club - The Council not willing to pay insurance or pay for traps as they considered this the responsibility of owners.

Northallerton District Community Health Council/Annual Report - Noted.

Application for restaurant licence - 15a Millgate - Noted.

I.D.C. - New Poop Scoop Byelaws - effective from 1st November - Noted.

Memorials: The following memorials and inscriptions were approved;

TOM CUNNINGHAM	BASIL YOUNG
STANLEY ROBERT CARTWRIGHT	JOAN MARRIOTT
MAGIE MAMIE BASHFORTH	OLIVE SNOW
LESLIE PULLAN	TOM SHAW

Exclusive Rights of Burial Approved for;

Leslie Pullan (E 4.2) also for Stanley Robert Cartwright (E4.3)

Committee Reports:

Finance - Cllr. J. Salmon reported on the Town Council's Finances and advised Councillors that the Finance Meeting is to be on 9th December.

Amenity - Cllr Watson reported on the recent meeting of the Amenity Committee that discussion had taken place on tidying Whitelass area. it was Proposed Cllr. Roberts seconded Cllr. Morton that money be put forward for this project. Agreed.

Members Reports;

Cllr. Marshall reported a fallen tree in the Cod Beck for which no one wished to assume responsibility. Agreed that we request that the tree be removed.

Cllr. Morton reported that Ms Fiona Askham had taken over from Mr Basil Young. Noted.

Cllr. Roberts reported that she had attended the memorial service and laid wreaths on behalf of Thirsk Town Council.

Any other Business:

Cllr. Marshall reported that work had now started on the East Thirsk Community Hall.

Cllr. Watson expressed concern about the continuing problem about drunks and asked that a strong letter be sent to the Magistrates.

Cllr. Roberts was concerned about poor lighting around the Church Walls and near to the Youth Club. Agreed to ask for additional lighting.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Acrill Newspapers - Advert	£ 56.75✓
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L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00(+50p)	£ 8.50✓
Thirsk Motors Ltd - petrol	£ 36.37✓
Yorkshire Rural Community Council - work Carrs Field	£ 287.88✓
Yorkshire Publishing - Herriot Country advert	£ 143.35✓
Sowerby Parish Council - ½ cost of extra cut to Flatts	£ 42.50✓
I. Atkinson - 4 hrs @ £5 (playground)	£ 20.00✓
P. Dunning - postal expenses	£ 100.00✓
Fox's - photocopying	£ 13.20✓

The Meeting closed at 10.50 p.m.

Chairman

Report to Thirsk Town Council from Finance Committee -

Report of meeting to consider budget and precept for year 1994-1995, held on Thurs 9th Dec, 1993.

Present: Councillors Roberts, Marshall, Watson, Morton and Salmon [in the chair] & Co. Clerk

Apologies received from Councillors Hall, Robinson, Garthwaite, Clements and Murkett.

NB:- all Councillors had been invited to attend, date, time & venue having been set at last Council.

Draft actual plus estimates of income/expenditure for the current year, together with draft estimates of expected and planned expenditure and likely income for 1994-1995 had been circulated to all Council beforehand for comment and suggestions to be further discussed at this meeting, and these formed the basis for discussion and recommendation to full council.

1993-1994

The Finance Committee considered first the likely end of year position at 31 Mar 94, and the impact on our reserves. The draft actual/estimates for 93/94 were corrected, with some anticipated expenditure not included being taken into account. This resulted in an end of year position expected at 31 Mar 94 as:

[Estimated position]	<u>Burial Board</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>Total</u>
Income to 31 Mar 94 =	7,423	26,233	33,647 [see income summary col. C]
Expenditure to 31 Mar =	<u>8,084</u>	<u>39,760</u>	47,844 [see expend. summary col. D]
Year end position =	-661	-13,537	-14,197

Savings [reserves] at 1st April 1993

24,456

Savings [reserves] at 31st Mar 1994

10,259

Note: we had planned last year that we would use a proportion of our reserves, expecting to use approximately £9,600 of them. We actually expect to use rather more at £14,197. This will reduce our reserves to an uncomfortably low level in relation to our existing and planned obligations and activities, and Council is strongly advised not to further reduce them significantly.

1994-1995

Income:

We expect to raise £14,600 [not including precept] in 94/5. This will include £4,000 from burials, £775 from MacCleans for maintenance of playground; £100 as tree planting grant and £5,000 from Hambleton District Co. towards our new play areas.

Note: This compares with the similar non-precept income anticipated for 93/4 of £9,647.

Reserves

Our reserves [savings] will be at a low level at £10,259. Councillors may feel even so that some of this should be used to meet expenditure in 94/5. It is important that we maintain a reasonable level of reserves and the Finance committee felt that very little of this amount should be used. Councillors may feel that the amount of **£1,006** shown as taken from reserves should be the most that can be used to offset planned expenditure in 94/5. This will leave only £9,253 left in reserves.

Planned expenditure:

We embarked last year on an ambitious programme of amenity and play areas provision across the whole community. The Finance committee looked at how we can maintain this effort and what is to be set up. We were conscious that there is a great need to improve the range of facilities provided in the community. The Council has been determined recently to make up for previous low levels of provision and to take advantage of the marvellous possibilities now open to us, using developing Carr's field, bequested by Miss Johnson, and improving provision on existing and new open space/amenity sites now available to us, in order to make these improvements for our residents.

Specific Elements of expenditure programme

All the Council's committees were asked to look at what spending they were expecting to arise in 94/5, including previous commitments and new programmes of activity.

These include:

- a) raising £1,000 to meet our donation to St. Mary's Church for their graveyard wall repairs [nb. not actually included this year - to include it in following year's budget provision, meeting the amount from reserves for now to keep precept down next year];
- b) support for ETCA community hall: donation of £3,000, [to be funded at a £1,000 on precept over three years];*
- c) £1,500 to upgrade Clerk's computer and printer, to allow in particular for Clerk to take over regular detailed financial reporting to council and for better quality of communication;
- d) increase Clerk's salary to £3,225 in total, which includes an increase to salary base of £500 to £3,000 to recognise Clerk's increasing effectiveness on council's behalf, plus a pay award of 2.5% [£75], and plus £150 for supervision of amenity worker [at 10% of level of payment to worker] - but only while this obligation exists; NB: Cemetery Supervisor's pay increased by 2.5% [£100] to £4,000; remembering that we now pay Council tax in addition to this [at £675 anticipated];
- e) £1,400 to be available to meet our obligations towards the Town Hall;
- f) £1,600 for christmas lights for next year, including an extra £900 for new strings of lights to add to the good work of the Chamber of Trade and ourselves;
- g) £500 for town clock, including electrical work;
- h) £1,800 towards providing seats/noticeboards and street furniture such as seats and dog-litter bins;
- i) £15,000 towards our play areas programme [nb. we agreed a budget of £45,000 to do the full programme last year, funded over three years]; this will include areas in 6-acre field and by school, on Norby flats, in Norby itself, and on the estates;
- j) £5,000 for provision for stage 1 of a scheme for the Greens [when approved];
- k) £700 towards work on the Holmes and clearing Whitelass beck path;
- l) £8,800 approx for further development of Carr's field [£15,000 plus to be raised over three years to meet development costs];
- m) £1,500 for an amenity worker [pilot project].

Other elements include:

an amount of £500 to meet our wish to provide suitable donations through the year. Note, once this amount has been spent as voted at any council meetings, any further donations must be considered as agenda items before extra monies can be found [from reserves]. £2,000 for work on our graveyard walls; £1,000 for cemetery lodge - particularly towards refurbishing the kitchen; £600 towards meeting election expenses [at £800 a time]; extra to various insurance payments to allow for effect of tax changes and likely increases; £260 to Clerk to hire of room at £5 a week; £800 to travel and courses, including two local councils conferences and a Clerk's course**.

The final expenditure figure proposed for Council to approve is £64,607

For Resolution:

*Council asked to agree to pay the full amount of £3,000 donation to ETCA Community Hall project in the current financial year, instead of half this year and half next year [April].

**Council asked to agree that travel mileage be paid to both councillors and Clerk when on official business at 20p a mile.

Council is asked: 1) to approve expenditure for 94/5 at a total of £64,607;

2) to note expected income for 94/5 of £14,601

2) to use £1,006 from reserves to help meet expenses, leaving £9,253 in reserves;

plus 3) to set a precept at £49,000 for 94/5 to meet remainder of this expenditure.

93/94

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94/95

13/12/93

Income estimates for 1994/95 at 30-Nov-93							
Income expected estimates for				1993/94			
for Revenue Account	Income already received	Income est. still due	Income total expected by				
1993/94	at 30/11	1/12-31/3	31 Mar 94				
Income Anticipated	A	B	C				
Burial Board							
Burial Board Precept raised 93/94	2,000		2,000				
Dividend & Interest	13	13	26				
Refund of Vat	230	184	414				
Burial Board income	3,983	1,000	4,983				
Other income	0		0				
Income expected in 93/4	6,227	1,197	7,423	0			
Expenditure expected in 93/4			8,084				
Net end of year position at 31 Mar 94			-661				
Balance at start of year at 1/4/93			6,814				
Balance at end of year 31/3/94			6,153				
Transfer to Rev. Acc. at 1 April 94			-1,299				
Left in fund at 1 April 94			4,854				
General			0				
General Precept raised 93/94	22,000		22,000				
Interest	562	400	962				
Refund of Vat	1,818	803	2,621				
Other income	625		625				
Refunds	16		16				
Donations			0				
Grants			0				
Income expected in 93/4	25,020	1,203	26,223	0			
Expenditure expected in 93/4			39,760				
Net end of year position at 31 Mar 94			-13,537				
Balance at start of year at 1/4/93			17,643				
Balance at end of year 31/3/94			4,106				
Transfer to Rev. Acc. at 1 April 94			293				
Left in fund at 1 April 94			4,399				
Summary of all Income Received							
Total Precept raised 93/4	24,000	0	24,000				
Interest	576	413	989				
Burial Board income	3,983	1,000	4,983				
Other income	625	0	625				
Refund of Vat	2,048	987	3,034				
Refunds	16	0	16				
Donations	0	0	0				
Grants	0	0	0				
Income expected in 93/4	31,247	2,400	33,647	0			
Total expected Expenditure 93/4			47,844				
Net end of year position at 31 Mar 94			-14,197				
Balance at start of year at 1/4/93			24,456				
Balance at end of year 31/3/94			10,259				
Transfer to Rev. Acc. at 1/4/94			-1,006				
Balances left at 1 April 94			9,253				
				a			
				b			
				c			
				Anticipated Income position for 1994/95			
				for Revenue Account	1994/95		
				1994/95	Estimated		
				Income to be raised	at Nov 93		
				D	E	F	G
				Burial Board			
				Dividend & Interest			26
				Refund of Vat			200
				Burial Board income			4,000
				Other income			0
				Burial Board Income expected			4,226
				Expenditure anticipated in 1994/95			10,525
				Net income shortfall for 94/95			-6,299
				Transfer from reserves at 1/4/94			1,299
				Precept to be raised for 94/95			5,000
				General Account			
				Interest			1,000 a
				Refund of Vat			2,500 b
				Refunds			1,000 c
				Donations			775
				Grants			5,100
				Other income			0
				General Fund Income expected			10,375
				Expenditure anticipated in 1994/95			54,082
				Net income shortfall for 94/95			-43,707
				Transfer to reserves at 1/4/94			-293
				Precept to be raised for 94/95			44,000
				Summary of Income Expected in 94/95			
				Interest			1,026
				Refund of Vat			2,700
				Burial Board income			4,000
				Refunds			1,000
				Donations			775
				Grants			5,100
				Other income			0
				Total Income expected in 1994/95			14,601
				Total expected Expenditure for 94/95			64,607
				Total Net income shortfall for 94/95			-50,006
				Total Transfer from reserves at 1/4/94			1,006
				Total Precept to be raised for 94/95			49,000
				refund on play surface			
				MacClean's play area maintenance grant			
				tree grant[£100]+play equip grant[£5000]			

Note all details + workings

EXPENDITURE

93/94

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For Council
meeting
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Thirsk Town Council	Total expected spending at 31-Mar-94 D=B+C	Est. Unspent /Overspent at year end 31-Mar-94 E=A-D	New Spending to be done in 94/95 I		Working Budget for 94/95 J	
Estimates for 94/95 at 30-Nov-93						
Burial Board						
Paths and weed killer	124	76	200		200	
Walls	0	2000	0		2000	
Plants, etc.	150	0	150		150	
St Mary's Church	1275	-1000	300		300	*to meet don. to church wall
Hire of grass cutter	0	0	0		0	
Purchase of mower	353	-103	0		0	
Equipment (inc maintenance, etc.)	216	-16	400		400	
Petrol & oil	358	22	400		400	
Emptying skip	403	279	500		500	
Cemetery Lodge	56	544	456		1000	
Burial board office	39	-39	50		50	
Water charges, etc..	202	188	400		400	
Insurance	386	-236	400		400	
Plans and stationery	0	154	50		50	
Council Tax	620	-220	675	[+25]	675	expect extra nycc tax plus 2.5% from £3,900
Cemetery Superintendent	3902	-2	4,000		4000	ie. = £10500+25=£10525
Burial Board Totals	8084	1647	7,981		10525	
General Fund						
Subs. (inc. LCA)	297	800	500		500	
Donations	400	-100	500		500	
ETCA Hall	3000	-2000	1,000	h* [-£1000] b/	1000	*Final -£1,000; to be met 95/6
Chrmn's allwnce/hosp. fund	200	0	200		200	
Travel and courses	649	-249	800	i [+200]	800	inc £200 for Clerk's course
Election	0	200	600		600	
Audit	261	39	300		300	
Insurances	495	5	700	j [+100]	700	new tax+extra obligations
Administration/equipment			1,500	k [+1500]	1500	for micro+software+printer
Room hire/Crt Ho/Clerk's rm	500	300	550		550	
Postages/photocopies/etc	917	264	1,000		1000	
Stationery	413	-233	300		300	
Clerk	2500	0	3,225	l [+725]	3225	base+£500+75(2.5%)+150 supervisio
Pay to Clerk's gratuity fund	200	0	200		200	
Miscellaneous	254	-4	300		300	
Administration totals	10086	-978	11,675		11675	ie. =9150+2525=£11675
Town Hall	700	939	461		1400	
Town Hall insurance	300	0	350	m [+50]	350	new tax
Christmas lights	700	300	1,300	n [+100]	1600	developments;new light strings
Town clock	100	300	200		500	
Bus shelter	114	236	64		300	
Seats/noticeboards	1135	185	815		1000	
Street furniture[inc dog litter bins]	404	396	404		800	
Play equipment	21276	-5476	20,476	o* [+15000]	15000	*[-5476]b/f+new plygrnd work[£1500
Trees,shrubs,etc.	315	285	215		500	
Grass cutting	1304	1377	2,623		4000	
Flatts grass cutting	193	37	300		300	
Mill gardens, etc..	281	380	120		500	
The Greens	1500	520	4,480	p [+4000]	5000	start of work on scheme expected
The Holmes	19	81	619	q [+500]	700	Whitlase Beck work allowed for
Carr's Field	1188	3812	5,000		8812	
Amenity worker	145	-145	1,500	r [-145]b/f	1645	
Community totals	29674	3227	38,927		42407	
Admin totals	10086	-978	11,675		11675	
General Totals	39760	2249	50,602		54082	
Burial Board Totals	8084	1647	7,981		10525	
Council Totals	47844	3896	58,583		64607	
Expenditure to be funded in 1994/5					64607	

Note These are only the main
summary columns, showing

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 13th December 1993 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J.M. Salmon, A. Morton, J. Marshall, B. Garthwaite, S. Clements, A. Robinson, R. Hall, Mrs J. Watson & Councillors Mrs L. Brown.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 15th November 1993 having been circulated were considered read; The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman prop. Cllr Garthwaite and sec. Cllr. Murkett.

New Member: On behalf of the full Council, Councillor Mrs F. Roberts welcomed new Councillor Mrs Lona Brown to the Council.

County Councillor's Report: Cllr. G. Turton reported on the recent public demonstration about the proposed 4% cuts in the fire service.

He advised that a 2% cut back was now proposed. Cllr. Marshall asked if the stringent cut backs in revenue from Central Government would further affect fire cover. Cllr Turton replied that the world wide recession had serious implications. Cllr. Murkett considered that it wrong to cut back where there was no wastage - perhaps savings could be made elsewhere. Cllr. Hall commented on this year's revenue expenditure being unable to support last year's capital expenditure. Cllr. Turton advised that the County Council were to appeal to their M.P. that rural areas be dealt with more favourably than at present. It was proposed Cllr. Marshall seconded Cllr. Watson that the Town Council support this. Carried with one abstention. it was also proposed Cllr. Murkett and seconded Cllr. Robinson that County Council be asked if administrative savings could be made. Agreed.

Cllr. Turton reported that there is a proposal to close the lay by near Spital Hill Farm, York Road. Councillors considered this wrong as we did not have alternative parking areas to offer H.G.V. drivers.

Cllr. Turton advised of the police liaison meeting to be held in January - Cllr. Robinson asked that Surveillance camera be on the agenda.

Cllr. Marshall requested help from Cllr. Turton in respect of the problem of parking near to Thirsk County Primary School.

District Councillor Report: Cllr. J. Marshall reported that some concerns had been voiced that the proposed Bedale Swimming Pool may cut attendance at Thirsk. Councillors considered such fears unfounded. He advised that Hambleton District Council had now a Play Equipment Policy offering grants towards safety surfaces - but with limited amounts available.

Matters Arising:

Fire Cover - letters from the national Trust offered support in the retention of Fire Services.

Letters re fire cover from the N.Y.C.C. Treasurer and English Heritage, County Fire Officer and Wm Hague were noted.

Medieval Fayre - Members were advised that as the owner of the children's roundabout did not wish to hire - we were unable to offer free rides to the children, as hoped. Agreed to sponsor a Fair Ground Organ as a contribution.

Millgate Car Park - correspondence from the Cod Beck Internal Drainage Board expressed concern about the proposed extension. Noted.

St James Green: Cllr. Clements reported that the feasibility report is to be available before the end of the month. As he is to be away on leave for two months, Cllr. A. Morton was appointed his deputy with authority to convene a meeting with Hambleton District Council, John Bell and two Councillors.

Carrs Field: A site meeting was arranged for 2 pm Sunday 9 January 1994 for Councillors to inspect the field prior to discussion as to what amenities we should be seeking to provide.

County Primary School: Plans had been received from one contractor we are currently awaiting further details from the second one before we can go ahead. It is hoped that the equipment will be installed in February 1994

PLANNING:

Planning Application: The following Applications were discussed.

- 2/93/152/0083 Application for Listed Building Consent for the replacement of 3 existing windows at 21 Kirkgate, Thirsk
No objections
- 2/93/152/471 Amended Plans for 99 Long Street
No objections
- 2/93/009/0136 Layout of Land & Construction of a Building to Comprise Office Accommodation with Ancillary Facilities at Site A, Thirsk, Industrial Park, York Road.
No objections

Correspondence:

Inspector Villiers wrote advising the Council that Inspector Coates had transferred and that he would be taking up the post in Thirsk. Councillors agreed to write to Inspector Coates to thank him for his help during his stay at Thirsk.

Conference - The Y.R.C.C. Conference is to be 4/6 March - Councillors requested to advise the Clerk if they wish to attend.

Memorials: The following memorials and inscriptions were approved;

Lillian Allan George Mather Henry Walker

Exclusive Rights of Burial Approved for;

George Ernest Mather	Section E4 Grave Space 4
Henry Walker	Section E3 Grave Space 23
William Rose	Section B5 Grave Space 25

Committee Reports:

Christmas Lights - Cllr. Robinson commended the Thirsk Chamber of Trade for their money raising efforts - the town is looking very good. He commented on the vandalism of breaking lights on the Christmas tree, with the resultant danger of exposed connections. Agreed to write to the school to bring this to the attention of the children. The Council congratulated Councillors Robinson and Hall who together with their helpers had done an excellent job.

Amenity - Cllr. Mrs Janet Watson advised the meeting that interview had been arranged for the post of amenity worker.

Finance: Cllr. J. Salmon presented a full report on the proposed expenditure to the Council as discussed by Finance Committee. After further discussion the following resolutions were agreed:

- To pay the full donation to East Thirsk Association Community Hall project in the current financial year.
- A travel mileage of 20p a mile be paid to both Councillors and Clerk when on official business.

Councillor Salmon asked the Town Council to

- approve an expenditure total of £64,607 - Agreed.
- note expected income for 1994/5 of £14,601 - Noted.
- Use £1,006 from reserves to help meet expenses leaving £9,253 in reserves - Agreed.
- Set a precept at £49,000 for 94/95 to meet remainder of this expenditure. Agreed

F.M.R.

Any other Business:

Cllr. Morton expressed concern at the continuing deterioration of the snickleways. This was difficult to address since many were in private ownership.

Cllr. Robinson expressed concern about the state of the Ingramgate footpath, which was retaining water and was particularly dangerous when frozen. The District Surveyor to be advised of this problem.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

I. Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. Dec	£	325.00✓
H.D.C. - Community Charge Cemetery Lodge - 22nd Dec	£	53.00✓
L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00(+50p)	£	8.50✓
Thirsk Motors Ltd - petrol	£	36.35✓
North Yorkshire County Council - rent July/Aug/Sept	£	45.00✓
M/s C.E. & C.M. Walker - grasscutting	£	97.53✓
R. Simpson & Son - flowers for troughs	£	4.80✓
S. Dodds - reimbursement for bulbs for flower troughs	£	4.00✓
Thornton's Printers - stationery	£	30.55
P. Dunning salary - Oct/Nov/Dec	£625.00	
room rent - 13 weeks @ £5	65.00	
telephone rental 1/12/93 to 28/2/94-	26.34	
	£	716.34-
Medieval Fayre - donation to sponsorship	£	60.00✓
Clerk's Gratuity Fund	£	200.00✓
The Colour Centre - paint for Cemetery Lodge	£	33.34✓
Fox's photocopying, diaries	£	43.48✓

The Meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

Freda Roberts

Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 17th January 1994 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J.M. Salmon, A. Morton, J. Marshall, R. Hall, Mrs J. Watson & Mrs L. Brown.

Apologies: Apologies received from Councillor Turton and Councillors Garthwaite & Robinson

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 13th December 1993 having been circulated were considered read; The minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman prop. Cllr Hall and sec. Cllr. Watson.

Lt. Col. D. Richards: Cllr. Mrs F.R. Roberts welcomed Lt. Col Richards who gave the Council an insight into regimental life. The 3rd RHA have settled well into the area and it is hoped that their stay will be quite lengthy. The regiment have already contributed considerably to local causes and it is hoped that a visit can be arranged for school children to the camp in early summer.

Matters Arising:

Fire Cover: Correspondence from N.Y.C.C. advised that the Public Protection Committee are to endeavour to achieve savings of 2.08% and this is to be made without recourse to the loss of existing fire appliances'.

Screening: Letters from H.D.C. and the District Surveyor advised that they were unable to help at the present time. Noted.

Cod Beck Internal Drainage Board advised the Council that pioneer maintenance is to undertaken on the Cod Beck with the object to remove obstructions to the flow of the beck.

District Councillor Report: Cllr. J. Marshall reported that the Economic Development Committee has approved in principle to have a lorry park in Phase II of Thirsk Industrial Park. Agreed that this should be for transit only.

Cllr. Marshall reported that the Environment Health Committee had rejected using the proposed site in Norby for a play area. An appeal to be made to full Council.

St James Green: Plans are now available re the proposed improvement of St James Green - a meeting to be arranged with the owner to discuss further.

Parish Paths Partnership: Cllr. Marshall reported on a meeting with Ms Sue Hilder re the Parish Paths Partnership; the meeting was advised that limited funds were available to update designated footpaths within our Parish. Councillors to survey and report problem areas. It was proposed Cllr. Salmon seconded Cllr. Marshall that the Town Council adopt the P3 Scheme. Agreed.

County Primary School: Cllr. Marshall advised the meeting that the lease for the County Primary School site had now been signed. Plans from two suppliers of play ground equipment were considered. Agreed to install the Wickstead equipment at a cost of £15,100 plus an additional Spring Animal supplied with safety surface.

Exclusive Grant of Burial: The following were approved;

Mrs F.E. Stevens

Ms N.L. Reynolds

Ms K.P. Reynolds

New Memorials: were approved for the undermentioned;

Cecil Frederick Wright

Mary Husband

Brenda Maureen Burn

The following applications for transfer of Licence were noted:

Mrs Karen Hazel Cussons re Yorks, Unit 1, The Old Post Office, Thirsk

Thomas Wallace re The Black Swan, Norby, Thirsk

Patricia Fawcett, re Darrowby Fayre, 68 Market Place, Thirsk

ae Patrick Schofield re Kwik Save Supermarket, 32/34 Market Place

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PLANNING:

Planing Application: The following Applications were discussed.

2/93/152/0196D Application for Listed Building Consent for the Display of 3 Non - illuminated Signs and for the Demolition of Existing Chimney Stack & alterations to Existing Building.

Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Comments:- We hope that the removal will not affect the Townscape.

2/93/152/0083P Application for Listed Building Consent for the Replacement of 3 Existing Windows at 21 Kirkgate, Thirsk for Mr E.B. Marsden

Council wish to see the application APPROVED

2/93/152/0094E Display of an Externally Illuminated Projecting Sign at 17 Central Buildings, Market Place, Thirsk for Natonal Westminster Bank Plc

Council wish to the application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0303M Alterations to Existing Hot Food Take-Away Shop to include the Installation of a Flue & a Canopy at 21 Millgate, Thirsk for Mr K. Ali

Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

2/93/152/471 Ammended Plan for 99 Long Street

Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0475 Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse at 30 Favenfield, Thirsk for Mr J.E. Talman

Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

2/93/009/0136 Layout of Land & Construction of a Building to Comprise Office Accommodation with Ancillary Facilities at Site A, Thirsk Industrial Estate, York Rd, Thirsk for Three Jay Developments Ltd.

Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Comments: We approve this since we wish to see the site developed, however this is NOT quite the prestigious building first envisaged & we think that it could improved. We would suggest more screening shrubs & perhaps a 'feature' tree.

2/93/152/0106B Display of 2 Internally Illuminated Lanterns, an Internally Illuminated projecting Sign & 4 Externally Illuminated Signs for the Camerons Brewery

Council wish to see the application REFUSED.

Comments: The Town Council would oppose all PLASTIC signs. We consider that there may be too many signs that will distract from the name sign (the Black Bull sign).

2/94/152/0456 Change of Use of Existing Ground Floor Doctors Surgery to Offices With a Self-contained Flat at former Doctors Surgery, Masonic Lane, Thirsk for Hambleton Housing Associaion.

Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

2/94/152/0332A Change of use of Existing Agricultural Land to Recreational Use at Land to the west of Dowber Way, Thirsk for Hambleton District Council

Council wish to see application APPROVED.

Comments: The Town Council are very much in favour - East Thirsk has been desperate for recreational land since the houses have been developed. This will meet a great need, the land there has been left derelict for some considerable time and this will improve the outlook for neighbours tremendously.

Planning Results:

2/90/152/0394 Mr J. Bell

GRANTED

2/93/152/0462A Mr B. Bates

GRANTED

2/93/152/0442C Mr K. Hardcastle

GRANTED

2/93/152/0185D Vaux Breweries

GRANTED

2/93/152/0201E Mr & Mrs Taylor

REFUSED

2/93/152/0102M Woodhead & Bray

REFUSED

2/93/152/0471A G.A. Hunt

GRANTED

2/93/152/0471 G.A. Hunt

GRANTED

2/93/152/0303K Mr K. Ali

GRANTED

2/93/152/0303L Mr K. Ali

GRANTED

2/93/152/0469 Northern Electric

GRANTED

Tim

Correspondence:

Tree Planting Scheme 1993/94 - the Council's application has been accepted for grant - work to be completed in the current financial year. Noted.

Footpath Diversion - Noted and approved - most of this land has now been built on.

Road Accidents 1992: The annual review of road accident & casualties statistics was noted by the Council.

Dog Club: A new dog training club has now opened enquiries welcomed. Noted.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Committee - Minutes of 1st November 1993 - Noted.

Committee Reports:

Cllr. J. Salmon reported on the Finances of the Town Council. Noted. Quotations in respect of the purchase of a new computer were considered. Agreed that Councillor Salmon decide on their requirements within the agreed price scale.

Cllr. J. Marshall reported on a meeting with Mr S. Quatermain to discuss general planning matters.

Cllr. J. Watson reported on an inspection of Carr's Field. After discussion it was decided to leave the decision regarding the Public shelter in abeyance and in the meantime to proceed with Phase II - the general tidying up of the area. It was decided to invite proposals from the general public.

Appointment - Cllr. Watson reported that Mr Ray Allan had been appointed as Amentity Worker with effect from 31st January 1994.

Reports;

East Thirsk Hall: Cllr. Marshall reported that the Hall was nearing completion and is likely to be handed over in February. Painting is to be done by volunteers. It is hoped to open for Easter 1994. A request to the Village Loans Fund will require a gaurantor - Cllr. Marshall requested that the Town Council consider if it is willing to be gaurantor - this to be discussed at the next meeting.

The following accounts were approved for payment:

I. Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. Jan	£ 325.00✓
I Atkinson - refund telephone rental 1/12/93 to 28/2/94	£ 19.54✓
H.D.C. - Community Charge Cemetery Lodge - 22nd Jan (final payment 1993/94)	£ 53.00✓
L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00(+50p)	£ 8.50✓
Thirsk Motors Ltd - petrol	£ 23.42✓
Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall - removal of tree	£ 87.50✓
Yorkshire Local Councils Associations	£ 21.90✓
Society of Local Council Clerks - conference fees	£ 134.00✓
Yorkshire Rural Community Council - conference	

Anu Other Business: Cllr. Mrs L. Brown raised the problem of A boards in the Town. Noted.

The Meeting closed at 10.40 p.m.

For 2 m. Roberts
Chairman

21/2/94

TENDERS FOR GRASSCUTTING - THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL

Contractors	A	B	C	D	E
Price	£	£	£	£	£
The Holmes		45	65	33	110
The Greens		60	35	28	75
Mill Gardens	200 (for year)	NG	10	11	35
Roadside Areas (NYCC)		50	15	42	110
East Thirsk	1300 (for year)	NG	40	16	75
Carrs Field		NG	45?	55	NG

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 21st February 1994 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J.M. Salmon, J. Marshall, R. Hall, Garthwaite, Robinson & Murkett.

Apologies: Apologies received from Councillor Turton and Councillors Brown, Watson & Morton.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 17th January 1994 having been circulated were considered read; Amendments- it was pointed out that the Clerk had omitted to refer to Inspector Villiers visit, the Clerk apologised for this oversight - Inspector Villiers had been introduced to the Council and had outlined his hopes for Thirsk. He had promised to give support to better street lighting, in an effort to reduce crime. The Minutes were then approved and signed by the Chairman proposed Cllr Hall and seconded Cllr Murkett.

District Councillors Report: Cllr. D. Murkett reported that he had received a petition from householders overlooking the proposed play area in Norby. District Council had decided not to proceed with this at the present time.

Local Government Review - Final consultation period is now growing to a close on the recommendation from the Local Government Commission to introduce a new unitary authority, called the North Riding. The Secretary of State can decide on his recommendations at any time from 7 March onwards. There is still much uncertainty as to if the Parish Councils are to receive more powers. Whilst recognising that the City of York has a special case, Councillors agreed to repeat their preference to remain with the Status Quo, by a majority vote with 2 abstentions. Concern was also expressed over the proposed police & fire authorities re-organisation, that rural areas, like ours, may lose out.

Tenders for the 1994 Grasscutting Season: the following tenders were considered.:

Contractors	A	B	C	D	E
Price	£	£	£	£	£
The Holmes		45	65	33	110
The Greens		60	35	28	75
Mill Gardens	200yr	X	10	11	35
Roadside Areas		50	15	42	110
East Thirsk	1300yr	X	40	16	75
Carrs Field		X	45	55	X

After consideration it was proposed Cllr. D. Murkett and seconded Cllr. R. Hall that the tender from contractor 'D' be accepted. Agreed. The Clerk revealed that Contractor 'D' was M/s Walker.

The Greens: Plans had been received from District Council but these were incomplete. A site meeting with the land owner, representatives of the town Council and District Council took place, after which planners would submit proposals for the whole of the area known as 'The Greens'.

Guarantor for E. Thirsk. Cllr. J. Marshall reported that in order to borrow to complete the contract on the Community Hall, it may be necessary to have a guarantor and asked that the Town Council be willing to do this. The money to be borrowed at treasury rate whilst fund raising continues. It was proposed Cllr. J. Salmon & seconded Cllr. R. Hall that the Town Council stand as guarantor, if necessary.

Open Space off Long Street. Lease for the transfer of the open space has been signed. Monies are to be handed over to the Council towards future maintenance. It is considered that the site would require landscaping and fencing to ensure child safety.

Cemetery Charges. Cllr. Hall reported that following a meeting of the Cemetery Committee some minor changes had been proposed to the Cemetery Charges, viz;

The cost of each inscription after the first to be raised from £7 to £10, the charge for searching the Register of Burials be reduced from £12 to £2

It was proposed Cllr. Hall & seconded Cllr. Murkett that these small amendments be approved and accepted with effect from 1st April 1994
Agreed. ✓

Additional Inscriptions were approved for;

MARY BELL ZENONE also for DAVID NASH

Planning Applications:

2/93/152/0106B Application for Listed Building Consent for the Display of 2 Internally Illuminated Lanterns, an Internally illuminated projecting Sign & 4 Externally Illuminated Signs for Camerons Brewery

Council wish to see the application REFUSED.

Comments: The Town Council consider that the signs should be of wood NOT plastic. We consider the proposed signs to be too big, too many & too obtrusive. The existing signs are O.K.

2/94/152/0102N Display of 2 Internally Illuminated Fascia Signs at Station Road, Thirsk for Peugeot Talbot Motor Company.

Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

2/93/152/0476 Display of a Non Illuminated Signboard at Market Place, Thirsk for Mrs P. Bailey

Council wish to see the application REFUSED.

2/94/152/0474 Outline Application for the Construction of a Non Food Retail Unit at Junction of Station Road and Newsham Rd. Thirsk for J. Bell

Council decided to leave this in abeyance until able to consider the Retail Survey.

Planning Results:

7/93/152/0472 W. Calvert

REFUSED

2/93/152/0094E National Westminster Bank plc

GRANTED

Certificate for Appropriate Alternative Development:

Council were invited to consider an application for a Certificate of Appropriate Alternative Development on land adjoining St Mary's Close, Thirsk. After discussion the Council considered it to be imperative that the land be retained as open space, especially taking into account the quantity of houses built, since this land has been earmarked for open space some twenty years, the need must be far greater now.

Correspondence:

Buses - Proposal to re route the bus from Sowerby to Thirsk on alternate journeys was considered to be a good idea.

Letter from Wm Crow seeking permission to hold a fair in the market place, was referred to District Council.

Y.L.C.A. - Minutes of AGM, JEC and Branch Minutes noted.

FWG

Paid since last Meeting:

Yorkshire Rural Community Council - conference,	£ 215.63✓
East Thirsk Community Association - 2nd Donation	£ 1,500.00✓

The following accounts were approved for payment:

I. Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. Feb	£ 325.00✓
L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00(+50p)	£ 8.50✓
Northern Electric - Connection charge/units used	£ 414.68✓
Guy Johnston - new lamps + 20 hours labour	£ 431.22✓
A.M. Duckworth - tree work in Whitelass	£ 246.75✓
Thirsk Motors Ltd - petrol	£ 17.22✓
Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall - ½ cost Insurance	£ 376.14✓
Eccles Heddon & Co - legal services	£ 429.87✓
Hambleton District Council - 5 year lease @ £1 per year	£ 5.00✓
Fox's Copy Service - photocopies	£ 26.15✓
N.Y.C.C. - filling in potholes Greens/Ingramgate	£ 100.00✓
P. Dunning - refund of subscription & postage	£ 135.00✓

Committee Reports:

Finance: Cllr. J. Salmon reported on the Finances of the Town Council. Noted.

Cemetery: Cllr. Hall reported that estimates were being sought for a new kitchen to be installed in the cemetery house. He advised the meeting that footpaths in the cemetery were being attended to.

Reports:

Cllr. Salmon reported on a Police Meeting chaired by Cllr. Turton at which the Town Council were invited to take a view on the use of Security Cameras in the Market Place. This was discussed but remained unresolved, since the majority of the Councillors did not consider them necessary.

Cllr. Marshall reported that the Community Hall had been handed over, and that it was hoped to be open for 9th April 1994

Cllr. Murkett reported on the Hambleton South Meeting recently attended.

Cllr. Morton had advised the Clerk of a possible re-location of the Tourist Information Centre into the town centre.

Any Other Business:

A request from Thirsk & District Minibus Association to use the Holmes for a fund raising event was discussed. Agreed the Policy of the Town Council is of No Parking on the Holmes as stated in the Byelaw and No Driving on the grass. It was agreed to offer the use of Carrs Field as a suitable alternative.

Cllr. Marshall remarked about coaches parked in front of the Golden Fleece - agreed to ask Hambleton District Council when the proposed weight restriction is to be implemented.

Millgate car Park - a problem of litter was making the area an eyesore - District Council to be asked to give an extra clean to the area.

Toilets - Market Place: Cllr. Hall asked when the new toilets were to be opened and what the opening hours to be - it was considered that they should be open until 10 pm.

Concern was expressed about the recent spate of accidents involving army vehicles travelling through the town, in one instance a seat belonging to the town council was demolished. The 3 RHA have been advised.

Emergency leaflets showing road accident figures for 1992 were noted.

Minutes of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Committee of 6.12.93 - Noted.

A request for the use of part of the Market Square on Tuesday 5th April for a performance of Croatian Folk Dancers, part of the International Youth Music Festival was forwarded to Hambleton District Council.

The Meeting closed at 10. p.m.

Thirsk & District
Chairman

Thirsk & District

20/4/94

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 21st March 1994 at 7.15 p.m.

Present: Councillors. Mrs F.R. Roberts (in the Chair), J. Marshall, R. Hall, Garthwaite, Brown, Clements, Robinson, Watson & Morton.

Apologies: Apologies received from Councillor Salmon & Murkett.

Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting on the 21st March 1994 having been circulated were considered read; a small amendment was necessary - it was pointed out that there was an omission on page 759 para 1 - this should read - 'Monies are to be handed over'. Proposed Cllr. Watson seconded Cllr. Brown that the Minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.

District Councillors Report: Cllr. J. Marshall advised the meeting that members of the public should be made aware that all street collectors should be licensed and that there had been a recent spate of illegal collectors in the town. Cllr. Marshall reported that a recreational footpath from the Holmes to the Flatts had been approved by the Leisure Committee, also that cinemas are to be added to the list that this committee can assist. On the question of litter in the Car Parks she advised that the car parks are only swept monthly and the shrubberies are litter picked on request. Cllr. Marshall advised that funds are available to improve street lighting - Councillors were asked to nominate problem areas. The proposed extension of Millgate Car Park has been approved in principle, subject to negotiation with the land owner.

Matters Arising:

East Thirsk Community Association: it had proved unnecessary for the Council to stand for guarantor. Noted.

Open Space, Long Street: The lease of the land to the Town Council had now been signed.

Traffic Matters, Thirsk: Cllr. Marshall reported that the proposal from the Town Council that double yellow lines be painted in Barbeck had not yet been taken on board. At the Stammergate junction Councillors once again discussed the lack of management at a busy junction. It was resolved to ask for the installation of traffic lights at this junction.

ie Greens: Nothing further to report - still awaiting plans.

Closure of the N.E.E.B. Shop: The demise of another shop in the town and the general lack of facilities was discussed. Resolved to write to the N.E.E.B. expressing concern at the proposed closure and asking them to seek a franchise in the town as an alternative.

Christmas Fayre: The town council agreed to support the second Christmas Fayre, the theme this year is to be pantomime. It was agreed the Town Council guarantee the cleansing of the area after the event, also to consider any sponsorship in more detail nearer the time.

Concessionary Fares Following discussion of the lack of concessionary fares, it was proposed Cllr. Marshall and seconded Cllr. Morton to write to support an investigation into the possibility of introducing concessionary fares. Agreed.

Gipsy Site: Councillors were informed that it was hoped to open the gipsy site at the end of April, but that there were ongoing problems in respect of the wayleaves. Councillors hoped that once the site is available the gipsies be encouraged to move on site and away from the laybys. It was proposed Cllr. Morton and seconded Cllr. Robinson to write to the County Council asking for support in this. Agreed with four abstentions.

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Planning Applications:

2/94/152/0477 Conversion of Existing Ground Floor Shop with Store & Existing First Floor Living Accommodation to 2 Dwellings at 31/35 Ingramgate, Thirsk for J.F. Cracknell

The Town Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

2/94/152/196E Application for Listed Building Consent for Alterations to Existing Building at 19 Finkle Street, Thirsk for R.H. Firth

The Town Council wish to see the application APPROVED.

Planning Results:

2/93/152/0460A	John Bell	GRANTED
2/93/152/9473	Thirsk Athletic Club	GRANTED
2/93/152/0475	J.E. Talman	GRANTED
2/93/152/083P	E.B. Marsden	GRANTED
2/94/152/0332A	Hambleton District Council	GRANTED
2/94/152/0424E	Thirsk Racecourse Ltd	REFUSED

The following accounts were approved for payment:

Atkinson - Payment as Cemetery Supt. Mar	£	325.00/-
Atkinson - telephone rental- int on bank investment	£	48.09/-
R. Allan - 8 weeks @ £30.00	£	240.00/-
Yorkshire Water - Cemetery Lodge	£	109.58/-
M/s Pollards - repairs to doors/gutter Cemetery Lodge	£	553.90/-
Power Point - repairs/service to strimmer	£	50.02/-
Thirsk Motors Ltd. - Petrol	£	27.92/-
L. Mitchell - cleaning windows 4 weeks @ £2.00(+50p)	£	8.50/-
Wm Potts - annual maintenance	£	90.48/-
A.M. Duckworth - Tree planting	£	357.21/-
A.M. Duckworth - work re P3 (Grant to be claimed)	£	70.50/-
P. Dunning - reimbursement for maps	£	15.80/-
P. Dunning - Salary Jan to Mar + Room hire, Phone rental	£	716.96/-
Y.P.O. - stationary	£	79.99/-
J.M. Salmon - travel - YLCA Conf.(93 & 94-300 mile/20p)	£	60.00/-
F.M. Roberts - Mayoral Expenses & unrepresented cheque	£	103.00/-
Fox's Copy Shop - photocopying	£	8.51/-
Cornhill Insurance - adjustment re new Play Area	£	16.21/-

Approved but not paid yet:

Ticksteed Leisure Ltd - play equipment	£18,017.49/-
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Correspondence:

An appeal for assistance with maintenance cost re the clock at St Mary's Church was considered - to be put on the agenda for further discussion at the next meeting. Permission to hold a duck race on the Cod beck to raise funds for the church fund was approved.

N.Y.C.C. - Councillors were informed of the new limited opening hours for Sowerby tip to be in force from 11 April. Councillors agreed to ask that the evening open hours be extended slightly in summer.

Trustees of Thirsk Infants School Charity - The Town Council was asked to support the re-appointment of it's trustees, M/s Bumby & Rukin.

This the Town Council were willing to do

Correspondence re the RAF Leeming Air Fair was noted.

The Annual Report from Hambleton District Council was tabled and noted.

Minutes of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Committee for 7/2/94 Noted

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Application for Licence: The following applications for licence were approved.

Kolamder Ali: re The Ali Raj Restaurant - 21 Millgate, Thirsk
Henryk Jerzy Francug: re The Black Swan, Norby Thirsk

Committee Reports:

Cemetery Charges: The new charges proposed for the Cemetery were approved and accepted by the meeting.

Amenity: Cllr. Watson reported that with the assistance of the P3 arrangement one footpath had been re-surfaced and on another one the overhanging trees had been trimmed back.

Reports:

Cllr. Marshall reported that the newly completed Community Hall was to hold an open day on 9th April 1994. Noted.

Cllr. Morton reported that the C.C.A. were having tremendous difficulties due to lack of accommodation. Agreed to write lending our support to Hambleton District Council.

Any Other Business:

Cllr. Robinson reported on a broken fence on the perimeter of Sutton house.

Cllr. Hall expressed concern at recent press reports indicating that the County Council are to be compelled to employ additional firemen. Resolved to ask the County Council what the position is.

Cllr. Marshall advised Councillors that the Civic Society have invited a speaker from the Victoria & Albert Museum to speak. Noted.

Cllr. Morton expressed concern about the increasing amount of fly tipping.

Cllr. Mrs F. Roberts advised the meeting of a successful Mayor's Dinner which had raised over £800 for local charities.

The Meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

Freda M Roberts
Chairman 18/3/94.