Thirsk Town Council

A MEETING OF AMENITY COMMITTEE OF THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 1st APRIL 1999 IN THE TOWN OFFICE AT 7.30PM.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 15th March 1999
- 3. To consider Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence.
- 5. To discuss Castlegarth.
- 6. To discuss Millgate Picnic Area.
- 7. To discuss Holmes Playarea.
- 8. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

NB. The office will be closed from 23rd March 1999 to 6th April 1999, clerk on holiday. Post and messages will be attended to on a daily basis.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Town Office on 1st April 1999 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. Adamson, Marshall, Murray, Roberts and Robinson and the Clerk.

Cllr Marshall chaired the meeting. **Apologies:** Cllrs Morton and Watson

Minutes: approved at last Town Council meeting, 15th March 1999.

Matters Arising:

Bed Race: No progress as Mr Gaunt still on holiday.

Banner Cables: no further information.

Bridge over Whitelass: As this is a public footpath, contact with NYCC for urgent

repair.

Market Place, Sweeping: Cllr Roberts has spoken to Mr Metcalfe HDC requesting more use of brushes by the Street cleaners. Follow up letter to be sent to HDC.

Correspondence:

Playing Fields Assn. Membership: Renewal proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

RoSPA Annual Inspection: Application proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Murray, agreed.

Castlegarth: Cllr Roberts reported that Mr J Bell is willing to let the Town Council have a licence appropriate to the work that English Heritage, The Town Council and himself are in agreement to on Castlegarth. Mr M Armstrong to be asked to negotiate with Mr J Bell on this matter on behalf of the Town Council.

Millgate Picnic Area: Plans re the entrance to field for Mr W Calvert now being studied by Planning Committee. The details for theagreement are being drawn up by Mr M Armstrong and Mr J Hiley.

Holmes Playarea: Cllr Marshall reported a tree in the beck, C. Amy to remove. Cllr Marshall suggested that a price for the removal of the 2 pieces of play eqipment nearest to the beck, possibly to Carrs Field if the Trustees are in agreement. Cllr Adamson to put this idea to the next trustees meeting. Clerk to write to Mr Hesletine, RoSPA asking for early meeting and regreting his recent comments were not direct to thet Town Council.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Marshall reported that the planning application for 22 dwellings on the old Gas Works had been refused by HDC.

Cllr Adamson suggested that good wishes for the success of Thirsk Festival be sent to the Rotary Club of Thirsk, agreed.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Thirsk Town Council Committee Members 1999/00

	Finance Cmm	Planning Crim		Personnel Committee, The Mayor, Ch. Finance, Cllrs Murray & Jackson Appeals Committee: Cllrs. Hall, Morton, Murkett & Roberts										Burial Board	
				Carrs Field	Greens/ Ingramgate	Mill Gdns/ Market Pl		Millen- nium	Xmas Lights	ı	Bound aries	Castle garth	Festival W/P	Town Office	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
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J Jackson	Х	Х	Х						СН	СН			Х	X	X
J Marshall	СН		Х		X		СН					Х			
A Morton	Х	Х	Х		СН										Х
G Murray	Х		Х		Х	Х									
D Murkett	Х	Х	X												X
C Pack	X		Х			Х									
F Roberts	Х	СН	Х	*	*	*	X	*	*	*	*	СН	*	Х	*
A Robinson	Х		Х	Х		СН						Х		Х	
J Salmon	X		x		X			,	X	X					

Chairman & Vice-Chairman Ex-Officio ALL Committees

THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL Appointment of Representatives for 1999/2000

Name of Organisation

Representatives 99/00

All Saints R.C. School [Gov.]

Mrs. Diana Gormley 4yrs from 5/98

Community Care Assoc.

Cllr. J M Salmon

E. Thirsk Comm. Assoc.

Cllr. G Murray

East Thirsk Youth Club

Cllr. A Robinson

Ham. Citizens Adv. Bureau

Cllr. F Roberts

Ham. Sports Council

Cllr. J Salmon

Lambert Hosp. League of Friends

Cllr. D Murkett

Licenced Traders Assoc.

Cllr. D Murkett

Local Councils Assoc.

Cllr. D Murkett

Cllr F Roberts * 2 Councillors

Police Liaison Meeting

Cllr D Adamson

Cllr C Pack

Thirsk County Primary Sc. [Gov.]

Cllr. A Morton

4yrs from 5/98

Thirsk & Sowerby Civic Society

Cllr. F Roberts

Thirsk & Sowerby Flatts

Preservation Trust

Clir. J M Salmon

Thirsk & Sowerby Relief

in Need Charity

Cllr. F Roberts

Thirsk & Sowerby Swimming Baths Cllr. J Salmon

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall

Cllr. D Adamson

Cllr F Roberts Cllr C Pack * 3 Councillors Thirsk & Sowerby

Thirsk Parish Map

Cllr. C Pack

Thirsk Chamber of Trade

Clir. J M Salmon

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 19th April 1999 at 7.15 pm.

Agenda.
To receive Apologies for absence.
To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 15th March 1999
To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 1st April 1999
3 Y To receive Police Report.
A. To consider Matters Arising.
5. To receive reports from: (a) County Council (b) District Council.
6. To receive Planning Committee report.
7. To approve accounts for payment.
8. To receive Correspondence.
To discuss proposal "that the Town Council shall complete its business by 9.45pm unless moved otherwise."
10. To receive reports from: (a) Sub Committees (b) Members.
11. Other Items of Interest and Information.
12. Confidential Item, staff pay not Laken
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Clerk to the Council.

Thirsk Town Council.

Correspondence List - 19th April 1999.

Matters Arising:

Town Council, 15th March 1999.

Amenities, 1st April 1999.

Planning:

Refused:

2/98/152/0582 Prop: Construction of 22 dwellongs and domestic garages.

Location: Former Gas Station, Long Street, Thirsk. (TC refused)

Granted:

2/98/152/0027L Prop: Provision of a new shop front.

Location: 29-33 Westgate, Thirsk.

Applicant: Calverts Carpets Ltd. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0130H Prop: Application for LBC for the re-roofing of existing public house

Location: The Royal Hotel, Market Place, Thirsk Applicant: Scottish & Newcastle. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0130J Prop. Re-roofing of existing public house.

Location: The Royal Hotel, Market Place, Thirsk Applicant: Scottish & Newcastle. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0475C Prop. Renewal of permission for an extension to dwellinghouse.

Location: 30 Favenfield Road, Thirsk.(TC approved)

Applicant: Mr J Talman

2/99/152/0523H Prop: Application for LBC for the display of a non-illuminated

commemorative plaque.

Location: The Workhouse, Sutton Road, Thirsk. (TC approved)

Applicant: Crowther Homes (TC approved)

2/98/152/0580 Prop: Alterations to agricultural buildings for use as medical consulting

rooms (Use Class D 1) with associated car park.

Locaton: Manor Farm Buildings, Newsham Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: J A Miller (TC approved)

2/99/152/0587 Prop: Provision of a bow window

Location: 117 Hambleton Place, Thirsk (TC no objections)

Applications:

2/99/139/0218F Prop: Change of use of existing courthouse with offices to children's

day nursery with associated facilities

Location: 4 Westgate, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs T Humphrey & Mrs J Wernyj (TC refused)

2/99/152/0475C Prop: Renewal of extension to existing dwellinghouse

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Location: Former Gas Station, Long Street, Thirsk

Applicant: BG Property and Persimmon Homes (TC refused)

2/99/152/0589 Prop. Extension to existing dwellinghouse to form a covered walkway

Location: 30 Fairfield, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr Fenwick (TC approved)

2/99/152/0590 Prop: to provided vehicular access to agricultural land.

Location: The Marage, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr W Calvert, Sutton Place, Sutton Under Whitestonecliffe, Thirsk.(TC

approved)

2/99/152/0591 Prop. Construction of a double garage

Location: 8 The Crescent, Thirsk. Applicant: Mr M Howey.

2/99/152/0593 Prop: Increase in height of existing telecommunications mast to include the installation of additional equipment, construction of a cabin and extension toexisting compound.

Location: Newsham Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Orange Personal Communications

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For payment:	
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Power Point, line, blade & sharpen	£ 39.51
Millgate Hardware, drill & bolts	£ 3.20
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YLCA, membership 1999/2000	£329.00
J Dawson, repairs etc, Cem. Lodge	£366.60
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Joplings, valuation	£352.50
J Bell, office rent, 5 weeks	£ 50.00
L Mitchell, Clean, bus shelter windows	£ 10.50
HDC, C. Tax, office, DD	£ 69.00
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I. Atkinson, salary, April, 99 DD	£365.47
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C. Amy, wkly insp. & tree pruning E Thirsk	£465.75
Paid since last meeting:	
Rentokil, survey	£ 99.01

Correspondence:

- -HDC, Chief Executive's, Rural Transport Partnership
- Hambleton District Sports Council
- -HDC Chief Executive's, TPO, Station Road
- Yorkshire Water, Blakey Lane
- Thirsk Chamber of Trade.

Tabled Correspondence:

Beacon Millennium

NYPA, Policing Plan 1999/2000

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Initiative

Hags
F D Todd and Sons Ltd
YRCC Conference 1999, seinar notes.
Tom Graham Falcory
Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group
East Thirsk Community Assn.
Rickard Reservoir
Highways Agency
YLCC, White rose Update etc
Thirsk Police, fax.
HDC, Parish Election.
Action for Market Towns, newsletter.

Cemetery:

Gladys Lilley - application for additional inscription Mary Whitehead - application for additional inscription Robert Newcombe - application to erect a memorial John and Joyce Roy - application to erect a memorial

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 19th April 1999

Present: Cllrs. Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Roberts, Salmon and Watson, 3 members of the public, 1 press reporter and the clerk.

Apologies for absence: Cllrs Robinson and Murray.

Minutes:

Town Council meeting, 15th March 1999 approval proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr March, agreed.

Amenity meeting, 1st April 1999 approval proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Matters Arising:

Town Council, 15th March 1999:

—P 1037: Blue lights, A19: fax from Insp Broadley with explanation, noted.

Ducks, Millgate & Mill Gardens: No reply from M.A.F.F.

Wicksteed, East Thirsk Playarea: honeycomb whirl repair, to be contacted again.

Cllr Salmon arrived.

P 1038: Right of Way, Three Tuns Yard: prompt reply to be requested.

P 1041: Local Council Review: still waiting for response.

Possible fencing for Cod Beck: Cllr Hall asked for details, Cllr Marshall gave assurance that Cod Beck would not be fenced.

Thirsk Station, insufficient gritting: request reply from Northern Spirit. Flatts Trust (Miss Warner's land): meeting in May, Town Council to ask for Sowerby P.C. ideas re use of this area.

Amenities, 1st April 1999:

Rotary Club, Bed Race: map of route required, authority to use land controlled by Town Council only to be given by Town Council.

Open Meeting, re cleanliness of Thirsk: 20th May 1999 at 7.30pm in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall.

Tree in Cod Beck: has been removed and replanted.

County Council Report:

Cllr Murkett reported the roundabout at Long St./ Stammergate junction to be completed after work in Topcliffe Road finished. Cllr Morton expressed concern of report in the press regarding future of CCTV monitering. HDC and Police to be contacted expressing concern.

District Council report:

Cllr Marshall reported the planning application for the former Courthouse has been recommended for approval.

Request for reduced addmission to World of James Herriot for local residents would be looked at in a years time

Car park, former Nursery Site, Finkle St.: should be completed by "end of summer".

Town Council to ask Hambleton District Council to look for more parking areas in the town as a matter of urgency.

Discussion on aspects of Hambleton District Council planning procedure re former Courthouse followed, may be taken up at a later date.

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Cllr Roberts passed the plans for this application to councillors, the extra height is being applied for due to poor reception in this area. Councillors did not like the proposed extra height and asked for landscaping to screen the area.

Accounts:

Payment of the following accounts proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

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Correspondence:

HDC, Chief Executive's, Rural Transport Partnership: meeting 21at April 1999, Cllr Roberts to attend.

Hambleton District Sports Council, membership renewal 1998/1999, £3.00: agreed. HDC Chief Executive's, TPO, Station Road, Thirsk: Removal of these trees has taken place, HDC taking action, Town Council feels fines for these offences too small. Town Council to contact Dept. of Environment of this matter.

Yorkshire Water, Blakey Lane, Sowerby: letter re sewerage problem, read and noted, though really reply to Sowerby P.C. (to be forwarded). Cllr Adamson suggested Yorkshire Water representative, Mr Keighley, be asked to come to Town Council meeting soon.

Thirsk Chamber of Trade: Generally supported. Concern over loss of car parking due to stage being on the Market Place, exact position to be clarified. Cllr Hall said

bunting could be hung in the same places as Town Council Christmas lights, cost of bunting to be got for Amenities meeting.

Tabled Correspondence:

Highways Agency: Clerk to get copies of information leaflet.

Standing Orders:

Cllr Salmon proposed that the standing orders should have the following amendment: "that the Town Council shall complete its business by 9.45pm unless moved otherwise" seconded Cllr Morton (6 for, 2 against, 1 abstained). To go to next council meeting for adoption.

Sub Committee reports:

Burial Board: Cllr Hall reported that the new mower had been on trial, for 3 weeks and the burial board had decided to purchase it at the price quoted. The shed has been altered to admit new mower, a burgalar alarm is to be fitted and the insurance company notified of the purchase. It is suggested that kerbs from older graves (over 50 years) be removed, removal to be advertised, kerbs to be placed near cemetery wall. Cllr Marshall said legal side of this must be checked and adhered to. The garden of rest is filling up quickly, new area to be defined by planting of a beech hedge in readiness. Concern over "gardens" being created on graves which hinders grascutting. Cllr Marshall recommended looking at rules for this. Tree surgeon to be contacted to advise on shaping of trees.

Cllr Salmon asked to move to next business.

Greens & Ingramgate: Cllr Morton reported quote for annual maintenance and tarspraying received but is being queried.

Members reports:

Cllr Watson: Town Hall, Duck race raised £800.00 approx., holding dance in October both for annexe funds.

Cllr Marshall: Millennium Green mosaic now in East Thirsk, workshop every Thursday 2-9pm. Bridge now installed from east Thirsk playarea to Millennium Green, path to be put in later in agreement with Town Council, more dog/litter bins to be installed.

Cllr Salmon: Attended Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory meeting and Thirsk Chamber of trade meeting. Fund raising event for lights on 12th May, late night for Christmas Shopping to be 16th December. Thirsk town and visitor directory to be compiled.

Cemetery:

The following were given approval:
Gladys Lilley - application for additional inscription
Mary Whitehead - application for additional inscription
Robert Newcombe - application to erect a memorial
John and Joyce Roy - application to erect a memorial

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Roberts reported on the state of the Toilets in the Market place, repeatedly reported, being monitered daily by HDC.

Cllr Adamson: Election day on 6th May, but no election for Town Council even though Cllr Watson is not seeking re-election. Mrs C. M. Pack, 8 Herriot Way will take up the vacancy. Thanks were expressed to Cllr Watson for allher work duringher years on the Town Council and particularly as our representative on the Town Hall committee.

Meeting closed at 9.08pm.

Confidential Item.

P1043: Acceptance of confidential item at previous council meeting proposed Cllr Salmon seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Office Committee report.

Cllr Adamson reported that the committee recommended no further action be taken on the purchase of 20 Finkle Street, Thirsk, agreed. No other suitable property under consideration at the moment.

Closed meeting ended at 9.14pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A MEETING OF AMENITY COMMITTEE OF THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 29th APRIL 1999 IN THE TOWN OFFICE AT 7.30PM.

AGENDA

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 19th April 1999
- 3. To consider Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence.
- 5. To discuss Thirsk Festival: Bed Race, Bunting etc.
- 6. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

NB. Please submit to the Town Office written annual reports of any organisations on which you represent the Town Council by 7th May for inclusion with the agenda of the Annual Meeting of the Town Council.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Town Office on 29th April 1999 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs. Watson, in the chair, Adamson, Marshall, Morton, Robinson and the

Apologies: Cllrs Jackson, Murkett, Murray and Roberts.

Minutes: approved at last Town Council meeting, 19th April 1999.

Matters Arising:

Thirsk Festival, Bed Race: Cllr Watson gave a report on the meeting between Mr J Gaunt, Cllr Roberts and herself. It has been agreed that a temporary bridge can be erected next to the Town Council bridge (over Whitelass) for use during the bed race. Thirsk Rotary Club plan to have it erected on Saturday or Sunday morning and removed on Sunday evening. It has been agreed that the route of the bed race can be along the Holmes if the weather and ground are dry, therefore no damage should occur to the area, but if wet the road must be used. Letter from Rotary Club on the festival noted.

Millgate Picnic area: on course to be signed soon.

Carrs Field Trust: Cllr Adamson reported that the Trust will have to consult HDC Planning Dept. re the 2 pieces of play equipment on offer from the Town Council (from Holmes playarea).

Bunting, Thirsk Festival: prices being south

BTCV: Quote for path from the Holmes to Carrs Field and quote for repairs on path to Centenary Field. Further definition and prices have been asked for but not yet received. Quotations for the same work to be asked for from: NYCC Business Unit, C.Amy, P. Hunter and I. Wardman.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

East Thirsk Playarea: Cllr Marshall proposed a combined dog/litter bin be obtained (Approx cost £371 less 50%) and fixed to metal post near new bridge to Millennium Green, seconded Cllr Watson, agreed.

Planning Application, Former Nursery site, Finkle St.: decided 3 storey block completely out of keeping and character of the area, refusal agreed.

Thanks expressed to Cllr Watson for all her work for the Amenity committee during her time as a councillor.

Meeting closed at 8.34pm.

Thirsk Town Council

THE ANNUAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 17TH MAY 1999 IN THE UPPER ROOM, THIRSK & SOWERBY TOWN HALL AT 7.00PM

AGENDA.

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. To elect the Chairman and Vice Chairman for 1999/2000.
- To receive minutes of the Annual Town Council meeting held on 18th May 1998.
- 4. To receive the Chairman's Review.
- 5. To receive and accept WRITTEN reports from Representatives.
- 6. To receive committee reports for the year ending 31st March 1999.
- 7. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 17th May 1999 at 7.00 pm.

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Marshall, Pack, Roberts, Robinson and Salmon, 1 press reporter, 4 parishoners and the Clerk.

Apologies: Cllrs Morton, Murkett and Murray.

Cllr Adamson welcomed everyone to the annual meeting particularly Cllr Mrs Carole Pack the only new member of the Town Council.

The Clerk took the chair and asked for nominations for chairman for the comming year.

Cllr Adamson was proposed by Cllr Roberts seconded by Cllr Salmon. No further nominations made. Cllr Adamson accepted the proposed nomination and takes the chair for the year 1999/2000, all agreed.

Cllr Adamson took the chair and asked for nominations for Vice chairman for 1999/2000. Cllr Roberts was proposed by Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson. No further nominations made. Cllr Roberts accepted the proposed nomination.

Minutes of the last Annual Town Council meeting, 18th May 1998: approval proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Hall, agreed.

Chairman's Review: given at Annual Parish meeting.

Reports of Representatives of the Town Council: Written reports received follow this report. Acceptance of written reports proposed Cllr Salmon seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Sub Committee Reports:

Finance Committee, Cllr Marshall: Eventful year, national interest and coverage of problems with the Town Council computer and Edge Designs Ltd. Proceeding at the moment with book and pencil.

Planning Committee, Cllr Roberts: 120 applications, 20 up on last year, quite a few applications had amendments. Most of the time Town Council planning decisions were in agreement with HDC decisions. Town Council must ensure good planning and design for new houses that are planned for Thirsk.

Market Place & Millgate Committee, Cllr Robinson: There had not been any major projects undertaken during the yaer. General maintenance of the Market Place, Mill gardens and the tubs in the Market Place had taken place.

Burial Board Committee, Cllr Hall: A difficult year for grasscutting had ended with the decision to purchase a new ride-on mower, proposed possible removal of kerbs from area of older graves in coming year, gateway and gates on Wetlands Lane have been made wider for easier access for contractors equipment. Cemetery Worker has approximately 18 months to go to retirement age.

Christmas Lights Committee, Cllr Jackson: This year everything went as planned. Have budgeted for possible implementation of new standards for lighting.

Playareas Committee, Cllr Marshall: Trouble with vandals at East Thirsk, progress being made with suppliers, Wicksteed. Criticism of Holmes playarea fronm ROSPA in their annual report, in discussion with insurers and ROSPA. More playareas planned at Workhouse site and maybe 7 acres.

Late Declaration of Acceptance of Office: Cllr Roberts pointed out that this item should have taken place at the commencement of this meeting. Cllr Jackson proposed that agreement to accept the item of late declaration of acceptance of office is accepted at this juncture in the meeting and that the late declaration of acceptance of office is accepted seconded Cllr Salmon, (5 agreed 3 abstained).

Other Items of Interest and Information: List of committee places was circulated for Councillors to fill in.

meeting closed at 7.26 pm.

JHE

6th April 1999

All Saints R.C. Primary School, Thirsk

Dear Mrs Dunning,

Over the last year the Governors have met 7 times and there have been regular meetings of the three working parties (Curriculum, Finance and Premises) and two staff appointment panels.

We currently have 114 children on roll in the school.

We said goodbye, with sadness, to our Deputy Head Mrs Edwards who has retired. We appointed Mrs Brown to teach part time in Reception for the summer term, and we have just appointed Mrs Thirlaway to take over full time in September. Happily we have been able to maintain our staffing level at Head plus 3.4.

We received a very favourable OFSTED report last year. An action plan has been produced and is being followed. One of the Items proposed by the RE Inspection was that the Governors should reconsider the Sex Education policy. The Governors have found an appropriate scheme, devised by St Edwards RC School Oldham, for use throughout the Primary school. It has been shown to the parents who were all very enthusiaistic and will commence in September.

In October the Governors elected Mr Harvey as the new Chairman and Mrs Cartwright-Terry as his Deputy. We were very sorry to have to allow Mr Murray to retire, but we are very glad that he remains a member of theGoverning Body. We have a new parish priest at All Saints Church, and consequently a new member of the Governing body, Father Colman Ryan.

The school has had another successful year financially, thanks to the expert management of the finance working party and Mr Salmon, the chairman of this group.

Further improvements have been carried out at the school during the past year. During the summer holidays more classrooms were carpeted. We have also continued our programme of redecorating, and the kitchen and two Classrooms have been painted.

I would like to thank Thirsk Town Council for their continued interest in, and support for, All Saints School.

Yours sincerely

Silva M Gornley Diana M Gormley Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Report

This has been a very busy and to a certain extent successful year for the Town Hall.

On a sad note we lost a long standing member, and former Trustee, of the Town Hall Committee following the death of Mr Colin Kirk in August 1998.

We have appointed a new cleaner, Mrs Pat Dickinson as Mrs Lee acts now in a Caretaker position. The Committee would like to record their thanks to Mrs Lee for her past dual purpose role and also to Mrs Dickinson for her contribution towards the overall standard of housekeeping.

A lot of work in upgrading the fabric and equipment in the Town Hall has been achieved during the last year;

The main Hall has been redecorated, the lighting has been upgraded with new dimmer lights fitted and also with the assistance of a grant from Lloyds TSB Foundation the stage curtains and mid stage curtains have been replaced. We are experiencing slight problems with the closure of the mid stage curtains but Cameo Curtains are dealing with this.

Fund raising has continued towards replacing the annexe, £1,650 was raised at the Charity Dinner Dance held at the Race Course on the 29th October, approx £800 was raised from the Duck Race held on Easter Monday and around £140 was raised by Thirsk Organ Club who! held a concert on our behalf in the Town Hall on the 18th April. Another dance will be held towards fund raising on the 22nd October, again at the Race Course. I would like to express my thanks to all who helped with the Duck Race, especially to Mrs Rose Woods,

The Balance of the Annexe Account is presently £24,128. 14 with the funds from the Duck Race and the Organ recital still to be deposited.

I have received notification that we have been un-successful in our Lottery Aplication. I spoke to National Lottery last Friday, 30th April, and have requested a further application form and will be re-aplying within the next 10 days. The letter from the Lottery stated their points of concern and I have written to HM Customs & Excise re the question of VAT and I am awaiting information and quotes re construction costs. I am very hopeful of obtaining funding from the second application.

Some work at the Town Hall, e.g provision of hot water in the toilets has been deferred pending a decision from the Lottery. It is hoped to have the outside of the Town Hall repainted within

the next few months as it is beginning to look a little shabby especially with paint flaking around the windows.

Janet Watson

2 May 1999

East Thirsk Youth Club.

Report 1998/1999.

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Representative: Cllr Robinson.

The club has been very active during the past year. It is still run from East Thirsk Community Hall, there is a good membership and is well run by a good youth leader. The club plays a very useful part in providing a place for the youth of East Thirsk where they can meet and learn to participate in activies and communicate with each other in a sensible manner.

ANNUAL REPORT - THIRSK COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

This year has been one of complete surprises. Little did we know that Mr Paxton, the Headteacher, would be tendering his resignation, which took effect as from the Christmas holiday.

For fifteen years he has steered the school through sometimes stormy waters, but I am pleased to say most of his reign has been one of success. He has left the school with a growing reputation of steady intellectual growth, and he has steered us through the many complexities of political educational change. The strain of this work could possibly be the reason for him resigning; he has not gone for further Headship. He has moved to the Lincoln area where he hopes to follow his musical interests. We wish him well.

Mrs Atkinson, the Deputy Head took hold of the reins during the absence of a Headteacher. She is to be congratulated on the way she has administered the school, keeping everyone on their toes within a very happy atmosphere.

I have a further staffing change to report; Mr Titchmarsh, who for sometime has been absent due to a stress related illness, has finally been given permission to retire. We hope, with the removal of stress, his health will improve.

During all this excitement, the education of our children has continued uninterrupted. The introduction of the National Literacy Strategy has taken up the majority of the time devoted to curriculum development. Considered have been phonics, word recognition, spelling, sentence level work, guided reading and writing. The mature members of gour council will remember these points!

In National Assessment, the School does well, particularly in Maths, where they are 5% above the national average. In English we compare well with the other North Yorkshire Schools. The results of Science show us broadly in tune with the National average. However our Level 5 results are particularly pleasing with an increase from 10% in 1997 to 19% this year. These results are very encouraging.

Finally, our new Headteacher commenced his duties at Easter. At this time my acquaintance has been slight except to tell you that his name is Richard Wild. He is married with two children, Nicholas and James. His wife Gill is also a teacher.

Initially he was Deputy Head at Elmwood Primary, Manchester. He was promoted to Head at Yohden Primary, Durham, and is now Head at Thirsk County Primary School.

This is a first rate pedigree and I am looking forward to the time when he moves the school forward to further success.

HAMBLETON CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

The bureau continues to expand in that we have more enquiries and more people visiting the CAB with problems. As more and more legislation comes out more and more people have problems understanding their rights and claims to benefits as well as the complications of life caused by redundancies, job losses and so forth.

We currently hold sessions in Northallerton, Thirsk, Bedale, Easingwold and Stokesley and also have an advisor who can go and see people in their own homes if necessary. The bureau currently has 5 part-time paid officers and about 20 voluntary advisors. Being an advisor involves a very detailed training course and is an extremely exacting job.

The bureau is funded by various bodies:-NYCC, HDC, National Assn. of Citizens Advice Bureaux, the National Lottery, the NHS, Lloyds TSB and a number of other organisations notably Parish Councils and this year we have managed to keep our head above water, thanks to these. We have also initiated a "Friends of Hambleton CAB" to try and obtain further funding, a bit regularly from a lot of people.

In the past year we have had to do a Bureau Appraisal to show that we are running the Bureau in a proper way. This has led to us forming 2 sub-committees to deal with staffing and provision in order to take pressure off the manager.

The work of the CAB in helping those members of the public who find themselves, usually through no fault of their own, in difficulty is very important, and I commend it to this council.

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Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 17th May 1999(to follow Annual Town Council Meeting).

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	To receive Apologies for absence.
2.	To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 19th April 1999
/	To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 29th April 1999
	To receive Police Report.
4./	To consider Matters Arising.
5.	To receive reports from: (a) County Council (b) District Council.
	To receive Planning Committee report.
7.	To approve accounts for payment.
8. /	To approve memorials.
9./	To receive Correspondence
10./	To move the adoption of new Standing Order
11.	To receive reports from: (a) Sub Committees (b) Members.
12	Other Items of Interest and Information

Clerk to the Council.

Agenda.

Thirsk Town Council.

Correspondence List - 17th May 1999.

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Tabled Correspondence:

Thirsk & sowerby town hall Minutes

Shaws Catalogue

YLCA, White Rose Update etc

Speedy

Hambleton & Richmondshire Business Enterprise Centre

Pickering TC

NYCC Highways

British Diabetic Assn

Thirsk Fire & Rescue

HDC Housing Strategy 1999/2000

Thirsk and Sowerby Conserveation Area Advisory Group

Viking Direct

The Sound Solution

HDC Street Collections

JWE Foneshop

Tilcon Ltd

Taylors, bulbs

Clerks & Councils Direct

Impact China Ltd



Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on 17th May 19 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall following the Annual Meeting of the Town Council.

Present: Cllr Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Marshall, Murray, Pack, Roberts, Robinson and Salmon, Insp. Broadley, 1 press reporter, 4 parishoners and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllrs Morton, Murkett and Murray (attending school governors meeting before this meeting)

Minutes: Approval:

Town Council, 19th April 1999:

P1048 - Correction Cllr Watson had been a member for 6 years. Approval proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Amenity Committee, 29th April 1999:

Approval proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Police Report: At this point of the meeting there was not a member of Thirsk Police present. Cllr Jackson asked that the Town Council write to ask why there was so many buses parking all around the town for last Saturday's race meeting.

Cllr Roberts proposed Cllr Hall seconded that standing orders be suspended in order that Councillors could hear details from Mrs M Penson, traffic warden, agreed.

Mrs Penson gave details and showed photographs of the crowd and traffic problems and the general conditions in and around the Market Place before the races commenced, late arrival of extra police, buses expecting to park in Millgate car park until midnight and bus drivers ignoring instructions given to them by their companies re dropping off of passengers and parking in the town. Cllr Robinson asked if disc parking in Millgate for buses would help. Mrs Penson said this is already in force. HDC to be contacted to clarify this point. Gates for the overflow car park at the Cattle Market were locked. Cllr Hall asked for more police on foot in the town to stop the dropping off of passengers and to direct buses straight to the racecourse. Problems with the buses parking on the Norby side of Northallerton Road would be much better if parked on the Holmes side of this road. Cllr Marshall pointed out that publicans had agreed to try to keep drinking inside their premises.

Resumption of standing orders proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Hall, agreed.

Cllr Marshall proposed seconded Cllr Adamson that letters be written to Thirsk Police, HDC, Thirsk Licenced Traders and Mr Tetley on the problem of parking and conduct on race days, agreed.

Clir Murray arrived.

Matters Arising:

Town Council - 19th April 1999:

P1044 - Rights of Way, Three Tuns: Write to Mr Moore, NYCC (incl. copies of previous letters) ask for prompt reply.

NYCC to be asked for Code of Practice of Council.

Open Meeting, 24th June 1999 Upper Room, Town Hall, 7.30pm. Cllr Salmon gave his apologies for this meeting.

P1046 - Tree Preservation Order, Station Road: NALC has been contacted, YLCA to be asked to take up the matter.

Visit of YWA representative, decided to send list of questions so that answers can be given at the meeting, representative who specialises in the sewerage systems of Thirsk area prefered.

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Insp Broadley arrived.

Cllr Jackson reported that a boy had fallen into the ditch near Tranmire Close, ruined his shoes but because the owner is unknown there is no responsibility for the state of the ditch, so therefore no claim could be made. Further research necessary on ownership.

P1047 - Bunting, order from local supplier if possible.

Proposed removal of older kerbs round graves by the Burial Board, Cllr Hall explained that kerbs would be numbered and placed near the wall to enable more efficient grasscutting. Cllr Marshall said the legal aspect must be looked at before a decision is made as well as considering the wishes of residents. Cllr Hall said he was willing to meet anyone and explain the proposed idea.

St James Green, maintenance: to go ahead as soon aspossible. New Millennium Green: photographs of the mosaic circulated.

Police Report: Insp. Broadley gave a detailed report of the amount of crime in the Thirsk area. Cllr Salmon gave a resume of the discussion about the last race day which had taken place earlier in the meeting. Inspector Broadley noted various points and said the best idea is to encourage landlords to keep drinking within their premises. Cllr Adamson thanked Insp. Broadley for attending the meeting before she left.

Matters Arising (con't'd):

Amenities. 29th April 1999: Cllr Marshall said the 2 pieces of play equipment on the Holmes which had been suggested as better removed could probably be put in at East Thirsk.

No County Council Report.

District Councillors Reports:

Cllr Robinson told the meeting that Thirsk had the lowest poll in Hambleton District inthe recent elections.

Cllr Marshall showed photographs of the ditch near Tranmire Close, HDC have promised to clean but not to clear the undergrowth, other drainage had been added to the original ditch as housing developments had expanded. Thanks expressed to all those who had turned out to vote in the elections.

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Cllr Roberts gave details of the planning committee reply on the planning application for 22 dwellings om the Gas Works site, Long St. Cllr Marshall suggested a planning brief for the whole area of Long St. was necessary, contact Thirsk Civic Society on this, write to Mr S Quartermaine.

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Permossion to pay CE &CM Walker at Amenity meeting given.				

Cemetery:

Approval of exclusive rights and memorials, agreed.

Application to erect memorials:

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Kenneth Elliott

Application for an additional inscription:

John Henry Ellis

Correspondence:

Place Blair & Hatch, application for off licence, 5a Finkle St. to be known as "Vets Vintage", agreed, training advised.

Mrs M Penson, letter on conditions in town on last race day, including photos, noted. Hambleton & Richmondshire Carers Assn, AGM, noted.

Hambleton Sports Council AGM, Cllr Salmon to take up short notice of this meeting with HDC.

HDC Rural Transport Partnership: details of action to be taken by HDC to put the partnership into force.

Pickering Town Council requests details of size of electorate etc and to attend a Town Council meeting soon. Councillors agreed to supply information and would welcome a visit from members of Pickering Town Council.

Adoption of the following amendment to the Standing Orders of the Town Council -

"that the Town Council shall complete its business by 9.45pm unless moved otherwise" proposed Cllr Salmon seconded Cllr Adamson, voting - 4 for, 4 against, 1 abstained, chairman used his casting vote in favour of the adoption.

Sub Committee Reports:

Playareas: Cllr Marshall reported that the swing wrap bars had perrished and had been removed. Wicksteed had advised that anti-wrap bars were not necessary.

Members Reports:

Town Councils intention to paint all milestones that are in need of attention within the parish It was suggested asking Mr Cowells to give an estimate for this work. Cod Beck sand bank, ask Cod Beck Internal Drainage Board to clear. Cllr Roberts: Concerned about lack of fire hydrant coverage at Stoneybrough, Stockton Road, the only one near is in her garden. Town Council to contact the Fire and Rescue service on this item.

Suspension of Standing Orders for 10 minutes proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Shrubberies no one seems to be responsible, HDC to be asked who is responsible for them on Stoneybrough.

HDC should be asked to paint their bollards in Thirsk.

A litter bin on St James Green is needed as requested earlier this year, ask for it to be installed.

Town Hall annexe has had its lottery application turned down, employing experts to do next application.

"A" boards in the Market Place are too numerous, ask for removal.

Cllr Salmon: Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group are to walk around the town anyone is welcome to join them. 3(169)

Cllr Hall: Unauthorised development at Woodcock Lane, to liase with clerk to find out more details.

Cllr Murray said the suspension of standing orders had overrun.

Cllr Roberts proposed further suspension of standing orders for however long needed seconded Cllr Marshall, voting 3 for, 4 against, 2 abstained.

Meeting closed at 10. 15pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Town Office on Thursday 3rd June 1999 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 17th May 1999.
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. Completion of sub committees and election of chairmen.
- 5. To receive Correspondence.
- 6. To complete the transfer of Millgate Picnic Area.
- 7. To appoint representatives of the Town Council.
- 8. To discuss further details for Open Meeting.
- 9. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Town Office on 3rd June 1999 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Adamson, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Pack, Salmon and the Clerk

Minutes: accepted at Town Council meeting, 17th May 1999.

Matters Arising:

Thirsk Festival, Bed Race: Going ahead as agreed with Mr J Gaunt, Thirsk Rotary Club

Banner Cables: Installation was to have been 3rd June, delayed to 10th June. **Bunting:** Samples and prices discussed, decded to order 4 x 18m. lengths, Spectrum

Play Equipment, Holmes: 2 pieces proposed for removal, decided to put monkey bars at East Thirsk, position to be decided.

Path/Carrs Field: 2 quotations received, waiting for others.

Former Nursery site: Comments made by Stott Kniverton to HDC Planning Committee on Thirsk Town Council comments to be responded to expressing the view that Thirsk Town Council have every right to comment.

Mrs G. Jenkins, Darlington & Stockton Times reporter, Thirsk: Has left the Darlington & Stocton Times, thanks to be sent to her for all her work while in this area.

Sub Committees and Chairman: Cllr Salmon asked could the word " Chairer" to be used as he felt it as more suitable.

Amenities: Chairman - Cllr Roberts, proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Morton, agreed. (Cllr Roberts had agreed to stand even though she was not attending the meeting).

All other sub committee chairman as last year proposed "en bloc" Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Adamson agreed.

Correspondence:

Castlegarth: Fax received from Mr A Johnson requesting access for repair work to be carried out on Castle Villa. Written permission has been requested from the owner Mr J Bell, decided to ask for views of English Heritage re wagons etc on the area. If permission is to be given a written agreement to be signed before entry by Mr Johnson's agent, wagons and equipment. Rubbish on this area being monitered by HDC for possible siting of litter bins.

St James Green: Foden Spence quote for maintenance and tar spraying, dicussed. Tar spraying was far more than had been budgeted for, Cllr Marshall proposed Cllr Morton seconded that the maintenance be carried out as soon as possible. Greens committee to meet, Cllr Morton and Mr Foden to have meeting re " sleeping policemen" on St James Green.

NYCC, Public Rights of Way: Request to put a sign near Gillings Court (Path no, 10.150/12) showing the right of way to the Market Place in order to deter pedestrians using a private path further along. Agreed to have a wooden sign erected by NYCC. Mr M Cresswell, 20 Finkle St: Contents noted, office committee have already

recommended that no further action be taken on this property.

Baskets, Market Place: HDC request that the Town Council take over the management of the flower baskets on the public toilets in the Market place and in Millgate for the annual fee of £10.00 per basket. Agreed to maintain the baskets but the fee should be £50.00 per basket proposed Clir Marshall seconded Clir Pack.

NYCC Highways, Ingramgate: Complaint re grasscutting in Ingramgate. Reply stating that the contractor had already been contacted, delayed cutting due to bulbs in the grass.

Ditch, Tranmire Close: Letter from mr Metcalfe, HDC stating that HDC will clear ditch and to be checked from time to time but not accepting responsibility for the maintenance of the ditch.

Cllr Marshall has been researching the history of the ditch and is passing on this information to MR M Richards, HDC to help establish ownership and responsibility. Town Council to press for HDC to take steps towards taking over ownership.

Town Council Representatives on other committees: List revised, to be circulated to Councillors.

Open Meeting, 24th June 1999, Upper Room Town Hall: To be chaired by Cllr Roberts. Notice to be put in D& S Times on 18th June 1999 and North Yorkshire News. Radio York to be contacted. Notices to be put up in usual places.

Other Items of Interest and Information: Cllr Marshall: Complaint had been received from resident near White Mare roundabout re state of area adjacent to bungalow and substation, showed photos, suggested that NYCC be approached re taking over of maintenance of this area. Councillors to look at, item to be put on next amenity agenda for decision to be made.

Breakdown of money paid by NYCC to Town Council for grasscutting to be requested.

Seats: Maintenance, quotes to be got from C Amy and I Wardman in future. Notice of Audit: 12th July 1999, accounts still being done by book and pencil method, no change recommended at the moment.

Cllr Morton: Concern re the ammount of goods for sale stood outside the greengrocers near the public toilets in the Market Place. Cllr Pack concerned about the amount of litter left there each day.

Cllr Robinson reported large amount of plants in Bakers Alley. Marge coach park does not have a sign to indicate St Mary's Church, Cllr Salmon proposed Cllr Murkett seconded that NYCC be approached to install one, agreed. (7 for 1 against) Cllr Adamson: Circulation of Draft Electoral Review for inclusion on agenda of next Town Council meeting, ideas to be put direct to Commission.

Meeting closed at 9.55pm.

Cler Salman expressed concern that unsufficient room

Port public in office during realings

Thirsk Town Council

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Agenda.

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Clerk to the Council.

Correspondence List - 21st June 1999.

Matters Arising:

Open Meeting, 24th June

St James Green

Planning:

Granted:

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Location: 2 Barbeck Thirsk

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Location: 20 Stoneybrough Lane, Thirsk

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Accounts:

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I Atkinson, phone rental, Cem Lodge	£ 26.77
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BT, office phone	£ 140.74
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tubs on Holmes, planting 6 Berberis	£ 204.12
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2 shrub roses, tidy up tubs Mkt place	£ 209.46
Thirsk Motors, fuel, B. Bd.	£ 52.34
Impress Account, petty cash	£ 50.00
J Bell, office rent,5 weeks	£ 50.00
L Mitchell, clean bus shelter windows, 5 wks	£ 10.50
Inland Revenue, B. Bd. Tax & NI	£ 40.06
Inland Revenue, T.C. Tax & NI	£ 405. 63
Mayor's Allowance	£ 300.00
Refund, D Adamson, ink cartridge	£ 18.66
K Dickinson, clean office windows	£ 6.00
A M Wilkinson, salary June 99	£ 583.47
I Atkinson, salary June 99, DD	£ 366.97
HDC C Tax, June 99 Cem Lodge, DD	£ 87.00
HDC C Tax, June 99, Office, DD	£ 71.00
Barclays Bank, audit letter fee (debited from a/c)	£ 29.38

Cemetery:

Application to erect a memorial:

Josephine Bassham

Lillian McGuire

Stephanie Harm application for an additional inscription: Jean Smith

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- -NYCC Waste Local Plan, Consultation Draft
- Royal Mail, Shire Park
- -Mr JR Horner, Cemetery
- Mrs Brimlow, Cemetery

Tabled Correspondence:

Millennium Event Planner

YRCC, White Rose Update etc

NYCC Local Transport Draft 2000-1/2004-5

HDC Darrowby Inn

Tourist Net UK

YRCC Transport day, 2nd July

NYCC Parish newsletter

HDC Liaison meeting minutes

Community Care assn info

Action for Market Towns info

Millennium Beacons

Masons solicitors

Tyne Tees Crimestoppers

BT Business info

Simba Systems

Town Hall minutes

Thirsk Chamber of Trade minutes

Carers Link

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group minutes

NYCC traffic order

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on 21st June 1999 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.15pm

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Pack, Roberts, Robinson and Salmon, 3 members of the public, 2 press reporters and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllrs Murray and Morton (late arrival)

Minutes, Approval:

Town Council, 17th May 1999:

Approval proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Amenity Committee, 3rd June 1999:

Cllr Salmon asked for his suggestion that "the Amenities meeting should be held in a large room that is easily accessable to the public" be included in the minutes.

Amended.

Approval proposed Clir Murkett seconded Clir Pack, agreed.

Matters Arising, Town Council, 17th May 1999:

P 1050: Race days Code of Conduct: Copy of Code of Conduct passed round, agreed after "town" deleted, Cllr Adamson filled in on further details.

Rights of Way, Three Tuns: letter acknowledged, no further response.

P 1051: Sewerage specialist to speak at next meeting, meeting to be publicized, questions from councillors to be sent in advance so that answers can be given at the meeting.

St James Green: Reported that a meeting with Foden Spence to take place on 24th June re problems on St James Green.

1054: Sand bank, Cod Beck: Has been reported, but still there.

P1055: Dog bin, Surplus from St James Green: Cllr Marshall proposed that it be placed on Little Green, agreed.

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group: Cllr Salmon told Councillors that they were welcome to attend the next meeting, 13th July 1999 which is to be a walk round the fringes of Thirsk town centre.

"A" boards causing access problems near the Three Tuns, request HDC to remove.

Councillor Hall arrived.

Matters Arising, Amenities Committee, 3rd June 1999:

Discussion as to whether matters arising from the Amenity meeting should be discussed at Town Council meetings or at Amenity Meetings ended with the proposal that the Chairman of Amenities should give a report at the the Town Council meeting as other sub committee chairman do. The Amenity Committee should not be used as an overflow for council business except in an emergency, agreed. Cllr Marshall explained that Amenity meetings are open to the public and each Councillor receives a copy of the minutes. Cllr Salmon suggested the Town Council holds the Amenity meetings in the Upper Room of the Town Hall in future. Cllr Pack complained the notice informing the public that they can attand any meeting advertised in the Town

Council notice board is too small and too high up to read. Clerk to alter size of print and placing.

County Councillors report: nothing to report.

District Councillors reports: Cllr Robinson reported that he is a member of HDC Environmental Health, Leisure, Planning, Local Plan, Tourism, Employee Appeals, and Complaints Committees and is a representative on Thirsk & Sowerby Baths Charity. Article 4 Direction for Ingramgate, The Crescent, Bridge St, St James Green, Little Green Stammergate and parts of Long St. grants could be available. Public Protection committee had received a satisfactory report on CCTV which has been running for 1 year. Residents in Kirkgate are not to be charged for parking registration. Thirsk Town Hall to receive a further grant. Environmental Health propose to install vending machines selling condoms in the public toilets in Thirsk, Cllr Robinson had opposed this action. Cllr Marshall said this is supported by the Health Authority nationally. Cllr Roberts sugested that the Public Toilet of the Year awards be removed until the state of the toilets is improved. Cycleway route open, a report to be made after 12 months.

Admirals Court Development Brief: Cllr Jackson appreciates the brief which presents a view of the area before its development. Cllr Adamson informed the meeting that there had been 122 objectors to this area of development when proposed in the District Wide Plan. Cllr Roberts hopes there will be a development brief for Rybeck. Request to Mr S Quartermaine HDC for brief on Rybeck. Cllr Roberts asked if Kirkgate had been included in Article 4 Direction? A lot of change had taken place due to the tome taken before District Wide Plan finalised. Cllr Hall hopes owners of properties are consulted before implementing this.

Cllr Marshall serving on HDC Leisure, Policy & Resourses, Economic Development, and Finance Committees Negotiations for Thirsk Industrial Park Phase 3 have begun. Had attended Leisure Committee meeting, hopes that the second half of East Thirsk playarea will be in progress this year. HDC Leisure Stategy, to find out the activities needed, ideas to clerk by 5th July 1999. Planning Application for sorting office on Thirsk Industrial Park means closure of Boroughbridge office, increase in traffic and existing traffic problems of Thirsk Industrial Park discussed, particularly the lack of footpaths.

Planning:

The Former Gas Works, Long St.: Had been turned down by HDC at previous application, only small alterations. Councillors commented - too many houses, houses too small, traffic from site will be a problem, site in a "bowl" which will hold fumes from Volvo garage, playarea only small. Clir Marshall expressed concern over the definition of "urban" and "rural" on this, feels there has been incorrect enforcement of government guildlines.

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Stephanie Harm

Rita Stockdale

Application for an additional inscription:

Jean Smith

Correspondence:

Thirsk Hall Estate, Castlegarth: Letter from Mr J Bell re access read, noted.

Mrs Neath, re litter in town centre, points noted.

YLCA Annual Conference & AGM, bring to next meeting.

YLCA, Seminars for new councillors, dates noted.

Mapletime Ltd, Black Lion, Market Place, Thirsk: transfer of licence & gaming machines: Town Council have no objections but request that the new licencee does attend a course for new licencees as this establishment is noted for noise problems.

Dibb Lupton Alsop, Coop late shop: no objections, to attend course for new licencees.

HDC, Thirsk Racecourse: Planning permission needed for signs, noted.

HDC Grants Roadshow 1999, dates noted.

HDC District Leisure strategy, ciculated for Councillors to respond to clerk by 5th July

HDC Development Brief Admirals Court/Melbourne Place: Each councillor has copy, discussed earlier.

NYCC Waste Local Plan, Consultation Draft: More details requested.

Royal Mail, Shire Park: position preference decided.

Mr JR Horner, Cemetery, re possible removal of head stones: Cllr Hall has met Mr Horner in response to this letter.

Mrs Brimlow, Cemetery, re possible removal of grave stones, replied.

NYCC Local Transport Draft 2000-1/2004-5: request full copy

HDC Darrowby Inn: Planning consent for beer garden needed.

YRCC Transport day, 2nd July: Cllr Murkett to attend.

Draft Electoral Review:

Cllr Marshall declared an interest.

Discussed, Councillors wish Thirsk to remain as now, parish boundaries should have been reviewed first, may look right numerically and on paper but as Thirsk and Carlton Miniott are functioning well now why change. Vote taken on backing HDC proposal Option 1, 6 for 1 against.

Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed

Sub Committee Reports:

Playareas: Cllr Marshall said a meeting to be held shortly.

Market Place: Cllr Roinson reported the tubs had been replanted and a meeting to be held meeting soon.

Greens & Ingramgate: Meeting 28th June 1999 at 7.30pm.

Burial Board: Cllr Hall to arrange meeting with members after this meeting. Strimmer

beyond repair, purchase of a new one for £429.00 agreed.

Representatives:

Detached Youth Worker Project: Cllr Marshall said cheque from "Mayors Do" for £500 had been given. Details of new officers shortly.

Millennium Green: Cllr Marshall reported the position of the mosaic to be decided. Chamber of Trade: Cllr Salmon reported that £1000 to be spent on street at Thirsk Festival entertainment.

Community Care Assn: Cllr Salmon reported that a grant for £15000 from Lloyds TSB over 3 years was very welcome.

Thirsk Primary School Governers: Cllr Morton reported receipt of money for more security measures.

Members Reports:

Cllr Marshall: Had taken photograph of type of information board which could be used on Castlegarth. Ditchnear Tranmire Close, HDC contacting Barretts on this. Street light to be requested for Hambleton Place.

Cllr Salmon: Deplored cut in library services, people do not need replacing by computers. Proposed that the Amenity meeting be made more accessible to the public by using the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall seconded Cllr Pack. (9 for 1 abstained)

Cllr Robinson: Proposed an open time of 15 minutes at Town Council meetings for the public to question Council seconded by Cllr Salmon, to be put on agenda for next meeting for discussion.

Cllr Morton: Asked for the derelict house in Long St. to be reported to HDC.

Cllr Murkett: Asked for good wishes of the Town Council to be sent to Mr Neil

Gibson, fireman injured while attending a fire on the A19 recently.

Cllr Jackson: Asked for lower rate of entry to the Herriot Centre for local residents, told this to be considered at the end of the first year.

Cllr Adamson: Reported as Mayor, he had attended the official opening of The Herriot Centre, The opening of the new Blue Cross Cattery and had judged the fancy dress competition at Thirsk Primary School.

Cllr Pack: Asked how people who are in a wheelchair could attend Amenity Meetings in the Upper Room? Cllr Roberts explained that the stairs are not a problem. The meeting closed at 10.00pm

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Town Office on Thursday 1st July 1999 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 21st June 1999.
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence
- 5. To discuss NYCC Local Transport Plan.
- 6. To discuss HDC District Leisure Strategy
- 7. Reports from sub committees
- 8. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Town Office on 1st July 1999 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Roberts, in the chair, Adamson, Marshall, Murkett, Pack, Robinson 1 press reporter, 2 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies for absence: Cllr Hall, Jackson, Morton and Salmon.

Matters Arising:

Bunting - to be put up at same time as Chamber of Trade do the rest. C Amy to be asked to put up and take down the bunting.

Play equipment, Holmes: Playareas meeting to be decided.

Repair of path to Carrs Field: Awaiting further quotations

Castlearth: Letter from Mr J Bell refusing vehicular access for Castle Villa repairs. Ditch near transmire Close: Cllr Marshall reported that HDC are writing to Barretts for more details of ownership. HDC will keep cleaning the ditch, but this is not to mean they are accepting responsibility.

NYCC letter re grasscutting, Ingramgate: Town Council had the grass cut with respect to the bulbs there.

White Mare roundabout and area near: Bushes have been badly chopped back, discussed that Town Council may take on with payment from NYCC. Clerk to meet Mr Woods on Thursday.

Seats: On going maintenance to be continued. The seat in the Town hall needs some attention, if it is to be placed outside it must be secured.

Audit: Progress towards completion being made.

Grates near fruit shop, Market Place have been reported to HDC Environmental Health.

Correspondence:

Mr & Mrs Easby, 16 Craigs Way, letter read, noted and reply to advise contacting developers.

Pickering Town Council, visit: Their Councillors will possibly attend on of our Amenity meetings, suggested they might like to a walkabout in and around Thirsk before the meeting, suggested Thirsk could be twinned with Pickering. $2 \alpha \alpha$

NYCC Local Transport Plan: The following comments to be added to details given by Councillors who have studied the details already. Cllr Marshall asked that buses round the town be linked with services out of the town to other areas. Bus services must be convevient to the needs of the public Cllr Adamson said cars are used to frequently to ferry children to school, control over this needed also traffic calming needed on St Marys Walk, Dowber Way, Hambleton Place and Hambleton Drive. Cllr Marshall said that the noise from the bypass unnecessary, should replace concrete with tarmac.

HDC Leisure Strategy: Suggested that HDC purchase equipment (microphones, portable lighting etc) for hire, for a small fee, by small groups and village halls etc who are staging events where the equipment is not adequate and the success of the event would be aided by having these extra items. Further comments to the clerk by 8th July.

Sub Committee Reports:

Greens and Ingramgate: Cllr Adamson reported on meeting held on 28th June. Quotations from Foden Spence accepted, seat to be sited near soth east corner of Little Green, seat round tree to be repaired, riverbank near not satisfactory, Cllr Morton meeting HDC and other details re Todds Court development. Sandbank is building materials, photographs shown, trees need restoring, scheme had not been either kept to or completed. HDC, Internal drainage Board and Environmental Health to told the situation is unacceptable and flooding problems will occur in the future unless corrected properly now.

Shire Park: Mr K Sellwood to be contacted again re resiting of equipment.

Market Place: Cllr Robinson reported the tubs had been replanted and said how attractive the hanging baskets etc put up by businesses were particularly in Bakers Alley.

Burial Board: Cllr Murkett gave a short report of the meeting held, another to be arranged soon.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Pack: not pleased with the roundabout near Thircon, Harcrow to be asked to tidy it up and Autolink to be asked to tidy the one at South Kilvington.

Meeting closed at 8.56pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 19th July 1999 at 7.15pm.

To receive Apologies for absence. To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 21st June 1999 To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 1st July 1999 To receive Police Report. 5-To consider Matters Arising. 5. To receive reports from: b) District Council. (a) County Council To receive Planning Committee report. 6. To approve accounts for payment. 7. 8. To receive and adopt accounts for 1998/1999 Approval of exclusive rights and memorials. 9. To receive Correspondence. 10. 11. To discuss proposal " That the Town Council opens the Council meeting for 15 minutes for members of the public to question Council 12. (To receive reports from: b) Representatives c) Members. a) Sub Committees

13. Other Items of Interest and Information.

14. Confidential Item. (Press and public excluded) - Staff matters.

Clerk to the Council.

Correspondence List - 19th July 1999.

Matters Arising:

Planning.

Granted:

2/99/152/0456C: Prop: Change of use of existing flat to office accommodation for use

in conjunction with existing adjoining offices. Location: The Old Surgery Picks Lane Thirsk

Applicant: Broadacres Housing Association (TC no objections)

Applications:

2/99/009/0178A Prop: Extension to existing warehouse

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park

Applicant: Talking Picture Cards Ltd (TC no objections)

2/98/139/0218F (Appeal) Prop: Change of use of existing Courthouse with offices to childrens day nursery with associated facilities as amended by plan as received by HDC

on 21st April 1999

Location: 4 Westgate, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs T Humphrey & Mrs J Wernyj (TC refused)

2/99/139/0306G Prop: Extension to existin Class A1 store to incorporate additional

car parking space.

Location: Tesco Store, Station Road, Thirsk

Applicant: Tesco Stores Ltd

2/99/152/0273E Prop: Extensions to existing light industrial building to provide

storage facilities

Location: Castlegarth Works, Thirsk

Applicant: GSM Graphic Arts Ltd (no objections) 2/99/152/0596 Prop: Extension to existing dwelling

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2/99/152/0597 Prop: Construction of a domestic garage

Location: 26 Stoneybrough Lane, Thirsk

Applicant: Diocese of Middlesbrough (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0598 Prop: Construction of a domestic garage to replace existing garage

Location: The Bungalow, Masonic Lane, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs B J Binns

Accounts:

For payment:

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Millgate Timber & Hardware, chain	£	4.53
K Dickinson, clean office windows	£	4.00
Power Point, hire rotavator	£	23.33
CE & CM Walker, grasscutting, June	£10	044.58
CE & CM Walker, grasscutting adjustment to incorrect		
invoice last month	£ 2	209.15

Thirsk Motors Ltd, fuel B. Bd., June	£	35.62
Farmway, weed control	£	9.99
C Amy, wkly insp, weeding Little green, S Dowber lane,		
White Mare roundabout. Clearing round benches Station	Rd	
Water & weed tubs, Holmes	£	227.90
Water, tubs Mkt Pl, weeding Mill gard, & bus shelter	£	180.00
Labour to power wash E. Th. playarea	£	80.00
L MitchelL, clean bus shelter windows, 4 wks	£	8.50
J Bell, office rent, 4 wks	£	50.00
AM Wilkinson, salary June 99	£	634.46
I Atkinson, Cem Sup. salary June 99	£	367.37
HDC, C Tax, Cem Lodge DD	£	87.00
HDC C Tax office DD	£	71.00
Fox's Copy Centre, photocopy etc	£	132.02
Hileys, transfer charges Millgate Picnic Area	£	499.38
Permission to pay later:		
BTCV, Whitelass Ings, (as quote)	£	1675.40

Correspondence:

- -Thirsk RBL Band
- -Bow House Publishing
- NYCC, Better Government for Older People
- →YLCA annual conference NSPCC

Tabled Correspondence:

Northallerton and District Community Health Council

Local Government Commission for England

BT, info

Neptune

The Powerline

Country Air

Zirconium Ltd

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group, details

Thirsk Chamber of Trade, minutes

White Rose Update

Mr Gary Morton

NY Playing Fields Assn, AGM

Northallerton V S A

Eccles Heddon & Co

HDC Street nameplates Hambleton Estate

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 19th July 1999 at 7.15pm

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murray, Murkett, Pack, Roberts, 1 press reporter, police officer, 2 electors and the clerk.

Apologies: Clirs Hall and Robinson. & Salman.

Minutes:

Town Council, 21st June 1999: approval proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Morton agreed.

Cllr Marshall arrived.

Amenity meeting, 1st July 1999: approval proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Police Report: Sgt D Burrell apologised that there had not been any police available to attend the last Town Council meeting. He reported that the recent weeks had been fairly quiet and asked had Councillors any questions. Extra traffic through Thirsk the previous weekend had been due to an accident and only single lane use of the bypass while roadworks in operation. Cllr Jackson thanked the police for the extra work undertaken by them during the recent Thirsk Festival. Sgt. Burrell explained some of the problems re licensing and drinking outside the public house premises and in public areas, particularly on race days.

Thanks expressed to Sgt Burrell for attending before he left the meeting.

Matters Arising:

P1056:

Visit of sewerage specialist, details why Mr Keighley will not be attending this meeting given, copy of minutes when he visited to Sowerby PC to be requested. "A" boards, has been reported to HDC, Councillors have received complaints re

removal of signs. Cllr Murkett suggested the signs could be placed on the wall at the end of side streets to advertise businesses in that particular street (as done for the arcades in Northallerton). Concern also expressed with regard to insurance cover of these "A" boards by the business being advertised. Cllr Roberts had had complaints that businesses, paying lower council tax in the side streets, were advertising their business in the Market Place where the council tax rate was much higher.

P1057:

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Former Gas Works site, work has begun.

Amendment - Cost of residents parking registration, Kirkgate, to be met by HDC. Confusion as to whether the Royal Mail will be moving to Thirsk Industrial Park, clerk to investigate.

P1059:

Castlegarth, Cllr Murkett reported on visit there re building work being carried out, scaffolding etc had been taken over site without permission, lock removed from gate. Mr M Armstrong to be asked to send letter to Mr A Johnson restricting any further access, stating that any entry by his contractors is illegal and liability for any damage could be made against him.

P1060:

HDC Grants Roadshow, Cllr Marshall had attended.

Amendment - Royal Mail, Shire Park, add "of post box" after position.

Street light, Hambleton Place: now installed.

Library cuts: Town Council to complain re cuts particularly those at Thirsk.

P1061:

Amendment - proposal by Cllr Robinson to " question Council".

Derelict house, Long St. Cllr Morton concerned asked for it ot be reported again.

County Council report:

Weed-killing has been carried out around the town.

Development, Former Nursery Site, Finkle St.: Lorries working on site are using Chapel St. to get from site. Town Council to ask NYCC Highways to consider Chapel St. as an exit from both the residential and parking areas and to work with the Town Council on the whole problem of traffic in Thirsk and the need for more parking areas

Libraries: Cllr Murkett to take the Town Council views on proposed cuts in staff and opening at times to NYCC and suggest that opening times should be suitable to the public needs. There are no proposed cuts, in opening hours at Thirsk, just less staff to cope with library users.

District Council Report:

Cllr Marshall reported that the toilets in the Market Place are to be repaired on 20th/21st July. Cllr Jackson suggested that the use of the public toilets should be charged for and that would cover the cost of an attendant who could keep the them in a hygenic state.

Todds Court/Riverside: Mr D McGloin had been on a site visit with Cllr Marshall, details of remedial work that is to be done in letter to Cllr Marshall, copy to Town Council. Cllr Marshall assured the meeting that all the problems of this area are being attended to by HDC and all would need to be completed before the Town Council takes over the area. Cllr Roberts asked that the area on the plans showing "Grasscrete" needs to be replaced as the surface now in place is not "Grasscrete" Former Workhouse site: Cllr Marshall reported that the proposed space for the playarea on this site was not where she had understood it was to be and had taken the matter up with HDC Planning Dept. Cllr Murkett also expressed concern that the area was small and adjoining a car park which would mean there was a need for the area to

Planning.

be fenced off.

Granted:

2/99/152/0456C: Prop: Change of use of existing flat to office accommodation for use in conjunction with existing adjoining offices.

Location: The Old Surgery Picks Lane Thirsk

Applicant: Broadacres Housing Association (TC no objections)

Applications:

2/99/009/0178A Prop: Extension to existing warehouse

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park

Applicant: Talking Picture Cards Ltd (TC no objections)

2/98/139/0218F (Appeal) Prop: Change of use of existing Courthouse with offices to childrens day nursery with associated facilities as amended by plan as received by HDC on 21st April 1999

Location: 4 Westgate, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs T Humphrey & Mrs J Wernyj (TC refused)

2/99/139/0306G Prop. Extension to existin Class A1 store to incorporate additional

car parking space.

Location: Tesco Store, Station Road, Thirsk

Applicant: Tesco Stores Ltd

2/99/152/0273E Prop: Extensions to existing light industrial building to provide

storage facilities

Location: Castlegarth Works, Thirsk

Applicant: GSM Graphic Arts Ltd (no objections) 2/99/152/0596 Prop: Extension to existing dwelling

Location: 8 St James Green, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr & Mrs B Rolfe (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0596A Prop: Application for LBC for an extension to existing dwelling

Location: 8 St James Green, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr & Mrs B Rolfe (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0597 Prop: Construction of a domestic garage

Location: 26 Stoneybrough Lane, Thirsk

Applicant: Diocese of Middlesbrough (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0598 Prop. Construction of a domestic garage to replace existing garage

Location: The Bungalow, Masonic Lane, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs B J Binns

Proposed extension to Tesco: Discussion on the whole issue of this application took place (effect on town centre, parking issues, traffic problems and possible solutions, employment etc) resulting in agreement that the application to be studied as a whole by the full Town Council.

Accounts:

Payment of the following accounts was proposed by Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Murray, agreed.

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Millgate Timber & Hardware, chain	£	
K Dickinson, clean office windows	£	4.00
Power Point, hire rotavator	£	23.33
CE & CM Walker, grasscutting, June	£1	.044.58
CE & CM Walker, grasscutting adjustment to incorrect		
invoice last month	£	209.15
Thirsk Motors Ltd, fuel B. Bd., June	£	35.62
Farmway, weed control	£	9.99
C Amy, wkly insp, weeding Little green, S Dowber lane,		
White Mare roundabout. Clearing round benches Station	Rd	
Water & weed tubs, Holmes	£	227.90
Water, tubs Mkt Pl, weeding Mill gard, & bus shelter	£	180.00
Labour to power wash E. Th. playarea	£	80.00
L MitchelL, clean bus shelter windows, 4 wks	£	8.50
J Bell, office rent, 4 wks	£	50.00
AM Wilkinson, salary June 99	£	634.46

I Atkinson, Cem Sup. salary June 99 DD	£ 367.37
HDC, C Tax, Cem Lodge DD	£ 87.00
HDC C Tax office DD	£ 71.00
Fox's Copy Centre, photocopy etc	£ 132.02
Hileys, transfer charges Millgate Picnic Area	£ 499.38
Permission given to pay later:	
BTCV, Whitelass Ings, (as quote)	£ 1675.40

Adoption of Accounts for Audit: Proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Murkett, agreed. Cllr Murkett expressed thanks to Cllr Marshall and the Clerk for all the work involved in completing the accounts.

Correspondence:

Thirsk RBL Band, request for letter of support for Lottery Grant application to be given.

Bow House Publishing, advert to be "slightly coloured" so that it shows up more, and amended re The World of James Herriot

NYCC, Better Government for Older People, noted.

YLCA annual conference, 4/5 September: Cllr Adamson and Cllr Pack to attend on Saturday.

NSPCC, read, reply that the Town Council is unable to help. Street Nameplates, Hambleton Estate: Cllr Marshall to study.

Sub Committee Reports:

Playareas: Meeting to be arranged soon.

Amenities: Cllr Roberts asked for any questions on the minutes received, none. Greens and Ingramgate: Cllr Morton reported that 2 seats and a litter bin to be put on Little Green. St James Green, to have the entrances and exits tar-sprayed approximatly 4 metres deep to prevent erosion, "sleeping policeman" to be installed at north west corner where erosion is particularly bad, annual maintenance to be carried out as soon as possible (spraying of small weeds to be carried out beforehand by grasscutting contractor, cost £20.00 agreed).

Representatives Reports:

Thirsk and Sowerby Town Hall: Cllr Pack reported that the outside of the hall to be painted, a small committee had been formed to deal with the annex improvement and the planned dance in October had been cancelled, a 50/50 auction to be held instead. Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group: Cllr Marshall reported on the recent tour of the town.

Millennium Green Trust: Last workshop for mosaic to be held this week histributed sketch plan of Phase 2 for Councillors to draw in their suggestions bearing in mind the area is for more formal play.

Suspension of Standing Orders for 15 minutes proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Murkett, agreed.

Citizens Advice Bureau: Cllr Roberts reported the local branches are very busy, very overcrowded and very poor, could be unable to carry on if the lottery grant does not materialise.

Members Reports:

Cllr Murkett: Noticeboards, Market Place glass dirty and the one at the front needs glass replacement, but would be too heavy for the present door, replacement suggested, Market place committee to be asked to consider. Willow trees on the Holmes, survey on remedy has been received.

Cllr Pack: St Giles Close only has a sign on one side at the entrance, needs one on the

other side. To be requested.

Cllr Marshall: White Mare roundabout area: clerk to meet Mr Woods retaking over upkeep of this area for an agreed amount from NYCC each year. Grass at end of St Marys Walk. Concern re buses, lack of convenient services for elderly (in and out of town for a short visit) at Norby and not going to Gormire Close at all. NYCC deduct payment for services which do not run from operators. Write To N'(cc Cllr Roberts: Request that the water leak on Long St be made again.

Cllr Jackson: Thanks to Town Council and public for support of the recent Thirsk Festival Special thanks to Cllr Adamson and Sowerby Cllr Robson for their joint De School payment for the use of the Town Hall. Cllr Marshall asked that the Town Council send their thanks to Thirsk Rotary Club for organising the Festival

Cllr Morton: Complaints have been received re the state of grass, meeting of Burial Board to be arranged. St James Green, strimming near trees has caused damage, clerk has already contacted Mr Walker.

Cllr Adamson: Has attended and judged a Fancy Dress competition at Sowerby Infants

School.

Suspension of Standing Orders for 10 minutes and exclusion of press and public for confidential items re staff to be discussed, proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

After a vote to exclude the press and members of the public Councillor Marshall introduced the subject of the clerks pay.

The recommended pay increase effective from 1st April 1999 is 3%. It was explained that a previous decision of this council was that we would accept pay increases recommended by NALC & SLCC.

On a vote proposed by Councillor Morton and seconded by Councillor Pack all members present voted to implement the pay rise immediately, back dated to 1st April 1999.

A discussion then took place on the amount of work that we expect the clerk to undertake. This seems to increase month by month, members of the public and also councillors seem to occupy a portion of the clerks time, Councillor Adamson proposed to reconvene the personnel committee to re- examine the possibility of an extra member of staff being employed under the title of assistant clerk with hours of work totalling approx 10 hours per week, working hours would be decided in consultation with the clerk. It was stressed that this must not be seen as dissatisfaction with the quality or quantity of Mrs Wilkinson work, an extra member of staff would release the clerk to spend more time on council finance, minutes etc.

Councillor Marshall reported her concern with the completion of the accounts and preparation for the Audit.

The meeting closed at 2215hrs.

Thirsk Town Council

19th July 1999

Proposed pay increase for Mrs Wilkinson

As previously agreed the salary of our clerk is linked to SCP19 of the agreement between NALC and SLCC.

The recommended increase for 1999/2000 effective from 1st April 1999 has just been announced as 3%.

This would comprise of the following:-

Hourly rate £6.96 + .72 supervisory pay

£7.68 per hour x 21x52 £8386p.a.

This pay increase has been budgeted for in the precept.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 5th August 1999 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 19th July 1999.
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence
- 5. To discuss Seats, (maintenance and repair).
- 6./ To discuss trees survey, The Holmes etc.
- 7. To discuss possible purchase of a new computer and printer
- 8. Reports from sub committees
- 9. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Roberts, in the chair, Adamson, Morton, Murray, Pack, Robinson and Salmon, 1 press reporter, 3 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Hall, Jackson (attending meeting for TC.) Murkett.

Minutes: approved at Town Council meeting, 19th July 1999.

Matters Arising:

Bunting: To be stored at The Little Green.
Play equipment: To be discussed later.

Castlegarth: Letter from Eccles Heddon, on Town Council's behalf, endorsing the Town Council's refusal of access has been sent to Mr A Johnson. Tenant of Castle Villa requesting access for van for the removal of furniture, refused. Cllr Salmon arrived.

Seats: Cllr Roberts and Clerk to do update on condition of seats before next meeting. Pickering Town Councillors visit: Agreed to suggest the visit takes place on 2nd September 1999 from 4.00pm (approx.), allowing time for the Councillors to visit various parts of the town which are the reponsibility of the Town Council.

St. James Green, maintenance: It was agreed to undertake the maintenance of the green for the quoted price of £1796.69 plus VAT (Annual maintenance £464.69, Speed ramp £562.00, Tarspray access points £770.00) on 31st August, 1st & 2nd September 1999, weather permitting. Clerk to leaflet-drop the houses round the green informing the residents of the dates and asking for cooperation with the contractors whilst the work is being carried out.

Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Pack, agreed. Tree Survey: Mr C Amy gave a brief report on the problems being faced with the infected trees on The Holmes. Councillors questioned and discussed the situation with Mr Amy before deciding to carry out the measures suggested in the report, namely pollarding of the Crack Willow in the vicinity of the playarea, removal of infected and dead material from the Crack Willows near the riverbank and the felling of a hollow tree (previously agreed by TC), proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Morton, as soon as HDC approval received. Clerk has informed HDC Development Control of these details as The Holmes is within a conservation area, to ring on Monday to request this be treated as a matter of urgency. An estimate of the cost of this work to be given by Mr Amy.

Thanks to Mr Amy for his help.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

New Computer and Printer: Cllr Adamson told the meeting that having budgeted for the purchase of a new computer and printer during this financial year it was up to the Councillors to decide what to purchase. Cllr Murray suggested that the Council contact NYCC Computer Services for advice. Cllr Salmon suggested that YLCA be contacted for their recommendations.

Sub Committee Reports:

Greens & Ingramgate: St James Green: maintenance work to go ahead as earlier minute. Little Green: siting of dog/litter bin, in wrong place should be nearer pavement. Dog bin to be painted and placed later. Agreed to order 2 seats (Lister, Warwick 6 feet). Resident to repair seat round tree.

Market Place & Mill Gardens: From the site meeting held on 5th August 1999 -

Market Place: Ask HDC to put new glass in noticeboard.

Ask HDC for cobbles to be repaired and flagstone that was repaired by tarmac to have flagstone installed.

Mill Gardens: Seats need varnishing.

Litter bin needs painting.

Round sign identifying area to be purchased and fitted to wall.

Burial Board: Cllr Adamson expressed the need for a meeting to be held soon. Cllr Salmon reported that 3 gravestones had been knocked over

Castlegarth: Person using metal detactor had been reported to the police.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Salmon: Concern expressed re deliveries to the Royal Hotel, causes problems for pedestrians. Cllr Morton suggested that restricted times for delivery could be the answer

Cllr Roberts: Attended NYPFA AGM at Skipton, impressed by skateboard area, has asked for details.

The meeting closed at 8.29pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 16th August 1999 at 7.15pm.

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1.	To receive Apologies for absence
2.	To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 19th July 1999
	To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 5th August 1999
3. /	To receive Police Report.
4. 🗸	To consider Matters Arising.
5. /	To receive reports from: (a) County Council (b) District Council.
6. /	To receive Planning Committee report.
7. /	To approve accounts for payment.
8.	Approval of exclusive rights and memorials.
9./	To receive Correspondence.
10.	To discuss proposal " That the Town Council opens the Council meeting for 15 minutes for members of the public to question Council."
11.	To receive reports from: (a) Sub Committees (b) Representatives (c) Members.
12./	Other Items of Interest and Information.
13.	Confidential Item. (Press and public excluded) - Staff matters.
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Clerk to the Council.

PLEASE NOTE: THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM FRIDAY 20TH AUGUST 1999 TO TUESDAY 31ST AUGUST 1999.

Correspondence List - 16th August 1999.

Matters Arising:

Planning Applications:

Granted:

2/99/152/0273E Prop: Extensions to existing light industrial building to provide

storage facilities

Location: Castlegarth Works, Thirsk

Applicant: GSM Graphic Arts Ltd (TC approve)

2/99/152/0582A: Prop: Layout of land and construction of 22 dwellinghouses and domestic garages as amended by letter and plans as received by HDC on 24th May

1999

Location: Former Gas Station, Long St, Thirsk.

Applicant: Persimmon Homes (York) Ltd (TC refused)

2/99/152/0592: Prop: Change of use of residential accommodation to mixed use as childrens nursery (Use Class D1 - non-residential institutions) and dwelling, the construction of a free standing building for childrens nursey use and the alteration of an existing vehicular access.

Location: 2 Barbeck, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs & Mrs R Bourner (TC no objections)

Applications:

2/99/152/0017J: Prop: Renewal of consent for the construction of a detached dwellinghouse and domestic garage.

Location: Land adjacent to Millbank Court, Station Road, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr D Hunt. (TC Refused)

2/99/152/0033F Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats

with associated parking facilities

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson (TC approved)

2/99/152/0593 Prop: Alteration to existing vehicular access as ammended by letter and

plan received by HDC on 30th July 1999 Location: Grizzle Field House, Thirsk Applicant: The National Grid Co. plc

2/99/152/0599 Prop: Extension to existing dwellinghouse

Location: 2 Darrowby Close, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Sharman. (TC no objections)

Accounts:

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall - room hire £ 60.50 Cod Beck Internal Drainage Board - drainage rate £ 19.25

C. Amy - wkly insp playareas, weed new hedges, water &	trim
tubs Holmes, constr. bin base E Th. Tree Report.	£ 340.32
C Amy - Mkt Pl. water tubs etc Mill Gard. weeding, sweep	oing,
litter pick, pruning, paint bin, varnish 9 benches	£ 170.00
Power Point Ltd - Brush cutter (B. Bd)	£ 456.49
Power Point Ltd - brick cleaner (BBd)	£ 3.97
Power Point Ltd - hire power washer & cleaner (E Th)	£ 23.68
Eccles Heddon & Co - Millgate Picnic Area	£ 931.25
CE & CM Walker - grasscutting, july	£ 699.75
Northern Electric - electricity, office	£ 137.52
R Cowels - paint sign Castlegarth	£ 10.00
Thirsk Motors - fuel (B Bd)	£ 52.01
J Bell - office rent 4 wks	£ 40.00
L Mitchell - clean bus shelter windows & noticeboards	£ 8.50
A M Wilkinson - salary August 1999	£ 595.94
I Atkinson - salary August 1999, DD	£ 366.67
HDC - C Tax Cem. Lodge, Sept, DD	£ 87.00
HDC - C Tax Office, Sept, DD	£ 71.00

Exclusive Rights and Memorials:

Application to erect a memorial:

Winifred E Carver

Pete Hunt

Application for an additional inscription:

Walter Childs

Correspondence:

- -Mrs Hampshire, cemetery.
- D Gardiner, Thirsk Festival 1999
- HDC Attractions in Hambleton
- HDC, TPO No. 8
- FWAG membership renewal
- -Plus Publishing Services
- HDC, Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on Contributions from Housing
- Developers towards Education Facilities.
- -HDC Adertising signs, Market Place
- Thirsk & District Chamber of Trade

Tabled Correspondence:

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall minutes

Thirsk & District Chamber of Trade minutes

Irvine Martin Catalogue

E D Wood Ltd, catalogue

HDC Street Collection Permits August 1999

Shaw's

Jeans for Genes Day

Initiative

Revolt newsletter

English Historic Towns Forum

YLCA Annual Report etc
Yorkshire Advertiser
Promotional Identity
Playdale, Saltex Event
Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group
Royal British Legion, meeting
N Y Police copy of letter to contractors
NYCC Street Lighting maintenance
Action for Market Towns leaflets
NYCC public transport timetables
Eccles Heddon & Co
Settle Town Council, parking information
RAF Today
NYCC European Programme, consultation meeting

Christmas menus, Plummers and The George Hotel.

Mr DG Moore

Copy of NYCC reply to above

North Yorkshire Police 2 Westgate, Thirsk.

Thirsk Town Council Town Hall Thirsk

17th Aug 99

Dear Mrs. Wilkinson,

Cycling On Pavements

On returning to the police station after your meeting last night I was able to lay my hands directly on the guidance which North Yorkshire Police has issued following the introduction of the new legislation which was discussed. I am pleased to say it reflects, in general terms what I said to the assembled council.

The new legislation enables police to issue Fixed Penalty Tickets for a number of already existing offences which includes the carrying of two persons on cycles which are not appropriately adapted and cycling on the pavement. These carry a penalty of £20 only.

The guidance points out that it is <u>not</u> North Yorkshire Police's current policy to issue fixed penalty tickets to persons under 17yrs of age. Such offenders should be reported in the usual manner.

It then goes on to say that the offence of cycling on pavements does present certain difficulties. It is recognised that in some areas cyclists may feel obliged to cycle on the pavement out of fear of using the road and in particular this would apply to children. On the other hand, pedestrians can be frightened and intimidated by inconsiderate and dangerous cyclists. The power to issue a ticket gives police a flexible option and whether or not cycling on the pavement is appropriate will depend on the age of the individual and the manner in which they are riding.

The guidance emphasises that this is an area in which the police already do, and must continue to exercise a considerable amount of discretion.

I do not condone the use of footpaths by cyclists but we must adopt a reasonable approach. Thirsk Police will run another annual cycling campaign aimed at this type of offending and of course we will now have the option to deal with adult offender by way of fixed penalty.

B.R Frank. Sgt.808

COMMUNITY AND POLICE GROUP STRUCTURE

AS AT AUGUST 1999

1. Tier 3

This is not a formal meeting. It is usually picked up as occasional police visits, either planned or on request, to town and parish councils. Thus police visits to Thirsk Town Council to discuss whatever arises, fulfills the criteria of Tier 3. Matters arising from these meetings which might have local area or district implications are forwarded to tier 2 for further discussion.

2. <u>Tier 2</u>

This is a formal meeting usually run twice per year and normally spring and Autumn. I would anticipate the next one being in October. It is run by a Chairman, in the past this has usually been a County Councillor, but I understand this is presently being reviewed. This is an open meeting and is usually advertised in the press, and invitations are also forwarded to Parish and Town Council Chairpersons who have the option to attend themselves or send a representative. Other potentially interested groups are also invited. These may include Chamber of Trade, Licensed Traders, Watch groups, Youth groups etc.

3. Tier 1

Again this is a formal meeting, usually held twice yearly. In the past this has been attended by the Chairperson of the Tier 1 group. More recently local area police commanders have been invited. It is this group which, using feedback from tier 3 and tier 2 who formulate the District Service Plan.

Worth noting is the police boundary changes which now reflect District Council boundaries. In the past the police 'C' Division comprised Hambleton and Richmondshire. These have now split, and service planning, which involves Community Safety, is now being run along District lines. Thus CAP Groups in this area will be contributing to the Community Safety Strategy for Hambleton District.

I am informed that David Smith (Tier 1 Chairman) has now retired, Richmondshire and Hambleton have split, and Carl Les will be taking over as Tier 1 Chair for Hambleton. Gerald Turton, Thirsk's Tier 2 Chair has also retired. I understand a replacement is presently being sought.

I hope this clarifies, but if not please give me a ring.

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on 16th August 1999 at 7.15pm

Present: Clirs Adamson, in the chair, Roberts, Pack, Murkett, Salmon, Morton, Marshall, Hall, Murray, Robinson and Jackson, 5 members of the public, 1 Police Officer, 1 press reporter and the clerk.

Apologies for Absence: none

Minutes:

Town Council, 19th July 1999: approval after amendments for accuracy proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Amenity Committee meeting, 5th August 1999: approval proposed Cllr Murray seconded Cllr Salmon, agreed.

Police Report: Sgt. Frank gave a brief report - few problems at last race day, the police will be watchful of buses stopping in Thirsk going to and returning from the Ebor meeting at York this week. Day-time burglaries happening in the area using the bogus official approach particularly with elderly people.

Cllr Marshall asked for information re a meeting of Hambleton Community Area Policing that she had had notice of and had not been able to attend. Cllr Murkett explained the format of this committee, there is a separate committee to which some councillors will be asked to attend. Cllr Marshall asked Sgt Frank what were the plans of Thirsk Police for the forthcoming Millennium, ie 31st December / 1st January? Sgt Frank explained the situation and to date he knows that many public houses and hotels do intend to have restrictions as to how long they will open and possibly restrict to regulars only at certain times.

Cllr Salmon still concerned about the number of cyclists on the footpaths asked if there was likely to be any legilation to curb the use of pavements by cyclists of all ages. Cllr Robinson informed the meeting that on 1st August 1999 a fixed penalty of £20 had been introduced by the Government but wanted to know at what age and was there any warnings issued before enforcement of the penalty takes place? Sgt Frank explained that there always had been a law to prohibit cycling on pavements but this now has a fixed penalty and this year Thirsk police will be having a cycling campaign again. Cllr Salmon felt that if a person was convicted for this offence and reported in the press it would act as a deterant to others. Cllr Murray and Cllr Murkett asked that a copy of the policy of the North Yorkshire Police Authority on this issue be obtained. Cllr Marshall suggested that NYCC be pressed to provide cycleways within the town areas as in York. Cllr Murray moved to go to the next item.

Cllr Marshall concerned about speeding traffic on Stockton Road and requested that it is monitered by the Police and hopes the traffic calming proposed will deter speed. Discussion on the problems of Stammergate roundabout decided that these could be resolved when NYCC make it permenant and should be urged to do this soon. Thanks expressed to Sgt Frank for attendance before he left the meeting.

Matters Arising:

Town Council meeting, 19th July 1999:

P 1062: Sewerage expert: Cllr Marshall asked that a speaker should attend an Amenity

meeting as soon as possible, agreed.

"A" boards, Market Place: Cllr Marshall asked if there was any progress in solving the problem, copy of letter from Mr P Underwood, HDC to Mr S Hubbard, Thirsk Chamber of Trade and a letter from Mr Hubbard to the Town Council were read to the meeting. Cllr Morton said one board per business would be acceptable but saw problems over insurance cover. Cllr Murkett suggested that the Chamber of Trade be asked if any insurance exists. Cllr Salmon suggested that designated areas may be acceptable to both busineeses and insurers. Cllr Murray objected to national companies putting boards out and if they are allowed a high fee should be charged, likes the idea of signs on walls at the end of each street. Cllr Robinson felt that it was unnecessary for businesses on the Market Place to have signs and would welcome a meeting between interested parties to solve the present situation. Cllr Marshall proposed Cllr Morton seconded that a meeting be arranged by the Town Council between Thirsk Police, Thirsk Chamber of Trade, HDC, NYCC and Thirsk Town Council to try to find a sollution to the present situation.

Royal Mail: no reply to date, Town Council to send further letter.

P 1063:

Library Cuts: Cllr Marshall asked if a reply asking for consultation on the proposed cuts had been received. Cllr Murkett said it was wrong that libraries be part of the county education department. Cllr Salmon said that anyone in employment needed the library to be open at weekends or evenings and that the hours should suit users rather than staff. Cllr Marshall thought that the new internet facility provided could prove a waste as there would not be enough staff available to help would be users. These points to be made to NYCC Education Department.

Former Nursery site: Cllr Robinson concerned about the use of Chapel Street by work site traffic. Cllr Marshall said that NYCC had allowed this use and recommended that NYCC be encouraged to allow traffic to come from the proposed car park and development to turn left only at the junction with Westgate in order to relie ve conjection at the Finkle Street entrance and exit. Cllr Salmon worried what effect this could have on the access for doctors and ambulances already using Chapel Street. Cllr Robinson was against this proposal as its would provide a "ring road" for traffic wishing to avoid the Market Place.

P 1066: NYCC to be asked for accurate bus timetables.

County Councillor's Report:

Cllr Murkett welcomed extra bus services but had reservations regarding those to Thirsk Station. Cllr Adamson reported that there is not a bus to meet the train used by school children returning home in the evening. Cllr Marshall asked that laminated timetables be put up on all noticeboards. Cllr Robinson said the Market Place & Mill Gardens committee would investigate the possibility of a noticeboard in the bus shelter for timetables. Cllr Murkett thought NYCC should provide one.

District Councillors Reports:

Cllr Robinson reported the there will no change in the HDC Electoral Review until the 2003 elections. HDC Councillors to tour the district on 14th September 1999 visiting

Millennium Green, Thirsk Industrial Park, Swimming Pool, All weather pitch, street-lighting, Sowerby and The World of James Herriot.

Cllr Marshall reported HDC Tourism sub committee had met and is to review facilities in the area. Workhouse Site Playarea: HDC Leisure Services are to inspect and will then make proposals.

Planning Applications:

Granted:

2/99/152/0273E Prop: Extensions to existing light industrial building to provide

storage facilities

Location: Castlegarth Works, Thirsk

Applicant: GSM Graphic Arts Ltd (TC approve)

2/99/152/0582A: Prop: Layout of land and construction of 22 dwellinghouses and domestic garages as amended by letter and plans as received by HDC on 24th May

1999

Location: Former Gas Station, Long St, Thirsk.

Applicant: Persimmon Homes (York) Ltd (TC refused)

2/99/152/0592: Prop: Change of use of residential accommodation to mixed use as childrens nursery (Use Class D1 - non-residential institutions) and dwelling, the construction of a free standing building for childrens nursey use and the alteration of an existing vehicular access.

Location: 2 Barbeck, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs & Mrs R Bourner (TC no objections)

Applications:

2/99/152/0017J: Prop: Renewal of consent for the construction of a detached dwellinghouse and domestic garage.

Location: Land adjacent to Millbank Court, Station Road, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr D Hunt. (TC Refused)

2/99/152/0033F Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats

with associated parking facilities

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson (TC approved)

2/99/152/0593 Prop: Alteration to existing vehicular access as ammended by letter and

plan received by HDC on 30th July 1999 Location: Grizzle Field House, Thirsk Applicant: The National Grid Co. plc

2/99/152/0599 Prop: Extension to existing dwellinghouse

Location: 2 Darrowby Close, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Sharman. (TC no objections)

Accounts:

Payment of the following accounts was proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall - room hire

Cod Beck Internal Drainage Board - drainage rate £ 19.25

£ 60.50

C. Amy - wkly insp playareas, weed new hedges, water & trim

tubs Holmes, constr. bin base E Th. Tree Report. £ 340.32 C Amy - Mkt Pl. water tubs etc Mill Gard. weeding, sweeping,

litter pick, pruning, paint bin, varnish 9 benches	£ 170.00
Power Point Ltd - Brush cutter (B. Bd)	£ 456.49
Power Point Ltd - brick cleaner (BBd)	£ 3.97
Power Point Ltd - hire power washer & cleaner (E Th)	£ 23.68
Eccles Heddon & Co - Millgate Picnic Area	£ 931.25
CE & CM Walker - grasscutting, july	£ 699.75
Northern Electric - electricity, office	£ 137.52
R Cowels - paint sign Castlegarth	£ 10.00
Thirsk Motors - fuel (B Bd)	£ 52.01
J Bell - office rent 4 wks	£ 40.00
L Mitchell - clean bus shelter windows & noticeboards	£ 8.50
A M Wilkinson - salary August 1999	£ 595.94
I Atkinson - salary August 1999, DD	£ 366.67
HDC - C Tax Cem. Lodge, Sept, DD	£ 87.00
HDC - C Tax Office, Sept, DD	£ 71.00

Exclusive Rights and Memorials:

Approval of the following applications proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Application to erect a memorial:

Winifred E Carver

Pete Hunt

Application for an additional inscription:

Walter Childs

Correspondence:

Mrs Hampshire, re cemetery, noted.

D Gardiner, Thirsk Festival 1999, thanks for Town Council help, noted. It was decided to form a Festival working party to work with Thirsk Rotary Club, to be put on next Amenity agenda. Possibly have a "Thirsk in Bloom" to coincide with the festival. HDC Attractions in Hambleton, Councillors to give ideas of attractions in Thirsk to

Clerk to be sent for inclusion. HDC, TPO No. 8, plan of site passed round.

FWAG membership renewal, renewal agreed.

HDC, Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on Contributions from Housing Developers towards Education Facilities: having been circulated the following comments to be sent to HDC Planning Department: Town Council concerned that NYCC had been consulted but the schools had not; that capacity varies because of population movement; concern on the identification of "full"; will add cost to homes, particularly noticeable on small homes, education could be financed by taxation as in USA; ask for consultation before a decision taken.

Changes in the constitution of NALC: having had the proposals and notes of the proposed changes Cllr Murkett proposed that the Town Council back the recommendations of YLCA seconded Cllr Adamson, unanimously agreed. Cllr Marshall read a letter she had received re Thirsk County Primary School - proposed licence: Town Council to put notice on the gates proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Murkett, agreed.

Proposal to have Open Forum:

Cllr Robinson proposed "that the Town Council opens the Council meeting for 15 minutes for members of the public to question the Council". Cllr Murkett proposed a limit of 3 minutes per person. Cllr Murray said this will lengthen meetings, it is only two meetings since the Town Council took a measure to shorten meetings. Cllr Marshall proposed the wording should be changed to "that the Town Council opens the Council meeting for 15 minutes for members of the public to raise matters with the Council" and the item if agreed should be after the Police Report before Matters arising. Cllr Salmon agreed with this wording Cllr Pack seconded it, agreed (6 for 1 against, 1 abstained)

Suspension of Standing Orders for 30 minutes proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Robinson, agreed

Sub Committee Reports:

Playareas: Cllr Marshall will give the report of the recent meeting at the next amenity meeting.

Market Place and Mill Gardens: Cllr Robinson reported that items from the last meeting being carried out.

Representatives:

NYCC Economic Development meeting: Cllr Marshall and Cllr Jackson had attended, Thirsk outside the area being discussed, next meeting to be held in October. Thirsk Chamber of Trade: Cllr Salmon had attended. Street activities during the Thirsk Festival but members reported less trading during the festival.

Members:

Cllr Marshall: "Thirsk" attended sign Stockton Road, ask NYCC to cut grass as soon as possible.

Cllr Adamson: Had spent a day at RAF Leeming recently on behalf of the Town Council.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Roberts: Asked for Millennium project to be put on the agenda for of the next Council meeting.

Cllr Jackson: Asked if NYCC had been of any help towards information for the purchase of a computer. Cllr Adamson said the addresses given had not been of significant use. Cllr Marshall to give name of possible supplier. Cllr Salmon offered to try to get a better deal for the Council, Cllr Adamson to supply details to Cllr Salmon. Cllr Hall: Asked that the Town Council request to be placed further up the waiting list that NYCC have re rights of way so that an early conclusion can be achieved at the Three Tuns yard.

Standing Orders suspended so that Mr Horner could ask questions re grasscutting at the cemetery. Cllr Hall explained that it was a matter to be discussed in the following confidential item.

Resumption of Standing orders and exclusion of press and public proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Confidential Item:

Cemetery:

Cllr Salmon declared an interest and moved from the debate

Cllr Hall explained the situation that a new contract was required for Mr Atkinson in order to comply with the new minimum wage laws (2 x 8hr days per week at £5.50 per hour) and also to ensure satisfactory grasscutting in the future his work days and rota needs to clarified. Also the auditors need a "work in progress" system for the Burial Board (needs setting in operation) and the method of paying in to is in need of revue. Discussion on the implementation and possible ways of solving the situation ended with Cllr Hall proposing that a new contract containing the number of working hours and wage rate, that he and Cllr Adamson had worked out, and ideas re cutting rota be put to Mr Atkinson with a verbal warning seconded by Cllr Marshall, agreed (8 for 3 abstained).

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 2nd September 1999 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. / Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 16th August 1999.
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence
- 5. To receive report on Seats, (maintenance and repair).
- 6 To form a Thirsk Festival Working Party.
- 7. To receive report on Castlegarth.
- 8. To receive report on St James Green, maintenance.
- 9. To receive Sub Committee reports.
- 10. To recruit additional Councillor to the Personnel Committee.
- 11. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

NB. There will be some members of Pickering Town Council attending this meeting.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on 2nd September 1999 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.30pm.

1.

Present: Cllrs Roberts, in the chair, Adamson, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Pack, Robinson and Salmon, and the Clerk.

The chairman welcomed 2 members and the clerk of Pickering Town Council who had previous to the meeting visited the cemetery and the playareas at East Thirsk and the Millennium Green.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Hall, Murkett and Murray.

Minutes: approved at Town Council meeting, 16th August 1999.

Matters Arising:

Bunting: Cllr Marshall asked that the conditions in which the bunting is being stored needed to be monitered for dampness.

Trees, Holmes: Confirmation by HDC that the necessary work on the willows can be carried out. Mr C Amy to begin the work after the school holidays.

Computer: Cllr Adamson reported no further progress towards purchase had been made.

Noticeboard, Market Place: Town Council have asked for the "glass" to be replaced with toughened glass.

Loose cobbles, Market Place: Town Council have asked HDC to repair.

Burial board: This item has been attended to at Town Council.

Deliveries near Royal Hotel: No further problems have been reported.

Correspondence:

Shire Park, moving of Little Tothill: quote from Playdale, £250.00, agreed, work will be within 6 weeks.

HDC, Planning Dept: Workhouse Development, playarea: confirming sum of £7742.00 has been received by HDC from developer. Cllr Marshall explained that HDC are getting a quote from Playdale for equipment and wetpore surfacing on behalf of the Town Council.

BTCV: Letter to be sent asking if BTCV intend to finish the work, when this will be and if the date supplied is not satisfactory to the Town Council the Town Council will have the work completed and an adjustment will be made to the quote agreed with BTCV to cover the work left unfinished.

Seats:

Survey has been undertaken, photographs taken, detailed lists will be issued to councillors. Repairs necessary will be put to tender.

Cllr Salmon asked that each seat be identified by a metal tag. Cllr Marshall for identification but not by metal tags. Cllr Robinson asked if each committee had to

carry the cost of these repairs and who paid for those seats not covered by a committee? and are quotations are needed not tenders. Cllr Marshall explained the repairs had been included in the budget fo this year. When all seats are brought up to an acceptable standard an annual inspection and maintence will be carried out in order to retain this standard.

Town Council Festival Working Party: Cllr Salmon recommended a committee of 3 (1 councillor who is also a Rotary member plus 2 other councillors), agreed. Committee to be Cllr Jackson (Rotary), Town Council chairman and Cllr Pack. Cllr Marshall suggested a committee to investigate the possibility of a "Thirsk in Bloom" competition, which may well lead to entry in the "Britain in Bloom" competition. Cllr Robinson agreed that the Market Place committee would study this. Cllr Morton said funding would be needed, needs to special for the Millennium year. Members of Pickering Town Council explained that it is essential that traders take part, (this is done by having "in house" competitions), maintenance began as a voluntary operation but was now put out to tender, Scarborough Borough Council operating this year. Cllr Marshall said this could be a Millennium project which could lead to the "greening" of Long St. After discussion of many problems it was decided to ask all utilities for thier individual plans of the area for their services. Cllr Robinson felt that a lot can be done "on" the ground rather than "in" the ground.

Cllr Salmon left the meeting.

Cllr Marshall asked that the County Surveyor be contacted re the taking over of various small areas in order to improve their appearance and also for the payment which is paid for the maintenance of White Mare roundabout.

Castlegarth:

Cllr Adamson explained the situation which had arisen when the tenants of Castle Villa wished to move. Cllr Morton proposed that from now there is no access whatever given for Castle Villa, agreed. The gate at the entrance near Woodhead & Brays garage needs replacing, ask Mr Amy to obtain one from Sam Turners and install, Mr Bell to be informed of Town Council intentions.

St James Green, maintenance: Cllr Morton reported that the work had begun but was not completed as expected. Clerk to make enquiries. 2 seats have been ordered, Mr Wardman to quote for fixing (as outside the church).

Sub Committee reports:

Christmas Lights: Cllr Jackson said a meeting to be held soon.

Market place & Mill Gardens: Cllr Robinson reported the new bigger bins had been put in the Market Place. Recent disturbance in the Market Place discussed. Cllr Roberts suggested that the Town Council should write to the Magistrates Court in support of the action taken by the Police. Cllr Pack concerned that such behaviour will upset visitors to Thirsk and suggested it might help if schools were contacted. Cllr Roberts asked that a letter should be sent to Mr S Metcalfe, HDC, thanking him for the improvements made since the meeting in June and to ask that the temporary street-cleaner be made permenant.

Playareas: Cllr Marshall reported:

The Holmes: Clerk to get quote from C. Amy and Sutcliffes re resiting of the 2 pieces of equipment near The Cod Beck, Cllr Marshall to provide a plan of new siting. Stell

(Whitelass/Holmes) needs cleaning and the path from Holmes to Centenary Field needs repair. Quotes for the repair of the path from the metal bridge, Holmes to Carrs Field were discussed, Clerk to ask Mr Wardman to give further quote for a path 4" deep and tanalised timber. Delegated power to get this underway given. Whitelass Beck: meander damage needs repair, fencing needs to be put back in place at Stockton Road end, BTCV responsible.

Centenary Field: Cllr Marshall proposed Cllr Morton seconded that a gate and posts be got and put in at the gap next to the path in Centenary Field, agreed. Plans as to what is to be undertaken in Centenary Field need to be done and included in next years budget.

Shire Park: C Amy to be asked to plant some hawthorn in the hedge at the end this autumn.

Milestones: Mr Cowells to be asked for a price for the painting of the signs on Stockton Road and Felixkirk Road.

Records of play equipment: these are being compiled.

Burial Board: Cllr Adamson reported that a parishoner had complained that the grass in the cemetery still needed cutting, Cllr Hall had been contacted and has visited Mr Atkinson today, further details to be given at next council meeting.

Personel Committee: Cllr Jackson agreed to join the committee. A meeting was arranged for 8th September 1999 at 8pm in the Town Office.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Marshall: The Cod Beck: Sand bank this to be removed shortly, HDC preparing plan for riverbank. Town Council to write to Environment Agency re the continuous discharge of raw untreated sewage into the Cod Beck.

Cllr Robinson: The recycling depot that was on York Road has moved to Todds on Thirsk Industrial Park on a years trial.

The Meeting closed at 9.38pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 20th September 1999 at 7.15pm.

Agenda.

- To receive Apologies for absence. To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 16th August 1999 To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 2nd September 1999 To receive Police Report. Open Forum, (15 minutes): Members of the public may raise matters with the Town Council. To consider Matters Arising. To receive reports from: b) District Council. (a) County Council To receive Planning Committee report. To approve accounts for payment. Approval of exclusive rights and memorials. To receive Correspondence. To approve purchase of 6 pairs of links for chain of office. To approve purchase of Internet Domain Name. To discuss the need for traffic calming: St Marys Walk/ Hambleton Drive. To discuss Millennium project. To receive reports from: 15. /c) Members. a) Sub Committees (b) Representatives
- 17. Other Items of Interest and Information.
- 16. Confidential Item. (Press and public excluded) Staff matters.

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Clerk to the Council.

POLICE REPORT

FOR COUNCIL MEETING 20.9.99

Millennium

We are still collating information on the likely scenario for this event in Thirsk. To date a number of licensed premises have indicated their intention to either close or hold private functions. We are still seeking confirmation from others. Once this information is to hand we will be publishing details of the likely position together with details of public transport expected to be available.

In the meantime, all police leave has been cancelled, and members of staff will be working extended shifts to increase availability during the New Year period. Police offices will be open right across the New Years Eve, New Years Day period.

PC Hannan

Members will recall that PC Frances Hannan used to be a regular visitor to Town Council Meetings. Frances is returning to part-time work with us following maternity leave on 6th October, and it is our intention to use her services in a 'Town centre liaison' role.

Her role will not involve patrol work, and we envisage her maintaining contact with businesses and other agencies in the town, and acting as liaison between those organisations and ourselves. In that capacity we expect her to resume her former role with the Town Council shortly. Frances is there to be used in a positive manner, particularly with a view to community safety. I would ask for suggestions as to how Frances might best be used.

Dark Nights

As the nights close in, dwelling house burglaries tend to increase, and to combat this we will again be undertaking high profile anti-burglary patrols. These will be combined with a lighting campaign aimed at users of both vehicles and cycles.

Cycling

In response to requests, we will again be mounting a limited campaign aimed at those who cycle on footpaths and pavements. It is our intention that Force Policy will apply in this matter and discretion will be applied when dealing with offenders. Adult offenders may expect to be dealt with by means of fixed penalty ticket, whilst younger offenders may be dealt with by means of letter to parents.

Cycling on pavements appears to part of a wider community safety issue, and I would welcome the opportunity to explore options for a more permanent solution further.

Crime

Each year the police are set targets in relation to crime. At the present time Thirsk Police are on course for meeting their annual target of a 5% reduction. Crime is down overall in the area, and whilst the number of shed and outhouse burglaries is slightly higher than we would like, dwelling house burglaries, and thefts of and from vehicles are all down. Detection of violent crime is also well above our set target.

Correspondence List - 20th September 1999.

Matters Arising:

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/152/0017J: Prop: Renewal of consent for the construction of a detached

dwellinghouse and domestic garage.

Location: Land adjacent Millbank Court, Station Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr D Hunt (TC refused)

2/99/152/0316A Prop: Increase in height of existing telecommunications mast to include the installation of additional equipment, construction of an equipment cabin

and extension to existing compound. Location: Newsham Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Orange Personal Communications (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0533C Prop. Details of the construction of 33 dwellings as amanded by letter

and plans as received by HDC on 9th April, 12th May and 29th June 1999.

Location: The former Nursey Site, Finkle Street, Thirsk. Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC refused) 2/99/152/0595 Prop: Extension to existing dwellinghouse

Location: 20 Stoneybrough Lane, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Richardson. (TC approved) 2/99/152/0596 Prop: Extension to existing dwelling

Location: 8 St James Green, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs B Rolfe. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0596A Prop: Application for LBC for an extension to existing dwelling

Location: 8 St James Green, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs B Rolfe (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0597 Prop: Construction of a domestic garage.

Location: 26 Stoneybrough Lane, Thirsk.

Applicant: Diocese of Middlesbrough (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0598 Prop: Construction of a domestic garage to replace existing garage.

Location: The Bungalow, Masonic Lane, Thirsk. Applicant: Mrs B J Binns (TC no objections but)

Applications:

2/99/009/0162 Prop: Siting of a portacabin for training purposes

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Multidrive (TC no objections)

2/99/009/0171B Prop: Construction of a building for storage and dispatch purposes.

Location Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Diagmed Ltd. (TC no objections)

2/99/009/0191 Prop: Layout of land and construction of an office building

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk Applicant: Threejay Developments Ltd (TC approved)

2/99/152/0033F Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats

with associated parking facilities

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0062R Prop. Conversion of part of existing dwelling to a holiday unit as

amended by letter and plan received by HDC on 20th August 1999

Location: Hollin Barn, Sutton Road, Thirsk Applicant: Mr C Hartley (TC approved)

2/99/152/0583A Prop: Outline application for residential development

Location: Highways Depot, Norby, Thirsk

Applicant: Highways Agency

Accounts:

For normant:	
For payment: CE & CM Walker- grasscutting, August	£ 669.75
	£ 112.13
FD Todd- empty skip, B Bd.; gravel	£ 145.94
BT - telephone office	2 143.24
C. Amy - wkly insp playareas, install dog/litter bin E. Th,	£ 252.32
cutting Cent. field, weeding & pruning Little Green	£ 252.32
Collect & install gate, Castlegarth	£ 25.00 £ 205.00
Collect & install gate & posts and materials	
Mkt Pl. & Mill Gard. weed, sweep & litter pick	£ 120.00
The Colour Centre- paint etc, playareas	£ 29.25
I Atkinson- telephone rental, Cem. Lodge	£ 26.77
Thirsk Motors Ltd - fuel, Cem.	£ 28.60
YPO- stationery	£ 22.36
Yorkshire Water- Cem Lodge	£ 147.66
Yorkshire Water- office	£ 23.00
Tilcon- readymix cement, E. Th.	£ 79.90
Power Point- B Bd, rake, repairs; Amenities hire.	£ 150.87
K Dickinson- clean office windows	£ 4.00
Foden Spence Construction Ltd- St James Green maint.	£2111.11
Inland revenue- tax and ins B Bd	£ 63.31
Inland revenue- tax and ins Council	£ 457.57
L Mitchell- clean bus shelter windows, noticebds. Mkt Pl.	£ 10.50
J Bell- office rent (5 wks)	£ 50.00
Petty cash	£ 50.00
A M Wilkinson- salary Sept. 1999	£ 596.29
I Atkinson-salary Sept 1999 DD	£ 425.87
HDC- C. Tax, office, Oct 1999 DD	£ 71.00
HDC- C. Tax, Cem Lodge, Oct 1999 DD	£ 87.00
TIDO- C. Tun, Com Dougo, Con 1777 DD	
Paid since last meeting:	
FWAG annual sub	£ 29.37
YLCA seminar for new counciloors	£ 14.10

Exclusive Rights and Memorials:

Application for an additional inscription:

Isobella Campbell

Correspondence:

Pickering Town Council.

Priory Publications.

SLCC, Training day, 23rd October 1999, Easingwold Thirsk Chamber of Trade

Tabled Correspondence:

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall minutes

NYCC education info.

NYCC Objective 2 Local Area Participation

NYCC A61 Finkle Traffic Calming Scheme

NYCC Parish News

Yellow Pages info

Pickering Beacon

National Health Services, Annual Report/Accounts 1998/99

YLCA - White Rose Update etc

HDC Collection Permits - Sept.

HDC Street Naming

HDC Housing Strategy Statment

Thirsk Chamber of Trade minutes

Action for Market Towns info

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group - minutes

Solarshade

Clerks & Councils Direct

Warehouse Direct

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on 20th September 1999 at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Murray, Pack, Roberts, Robinson and Salmon, 1 press reporter, 3 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies for absence: Cllrs Marshall, Morton and Murkett (late arrival).

Minutes:

Town Council, 16th August 1999: approval proposed Cllr Murray seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed. Amenity Committee meeting, 2nd September 1999: approval proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Police Report:

A written report had been received and circulated to councillors. Cllr Salmon welcomed the report and raised the problem again of pavement parking in Castlegate, to be reported to the police along with thanks for the good news that Thirsk Police are achieving their targets. Cllr Roberts concerned re persistant parking on pavements and the proposed cuts in the North Yorkshire Police Authority - letter to both the Chief Constable and M.P.

Suspension of Standing Orders for 15 minutes Open Forum proposed Cllr Salmon seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Open Forum:

Mrs. Penson: Greatly concerned about the growing amount of cycling on pavements in town and the apparent lack of concern by the Town Council also asked about a byelaw. Cllr Adamson stated that the subject is constantly being raised by the Town Council with the Police and has been for many years as an examination of Town Council minutes would prove, also explained byelaw not needed. Mrs. Penson then highlighted the recent cycling related incident around the town clock. Cllr Roberts explained that the matter had been discussed at length and the Town Council had written to the Magistrates supporting the police action on this incident. Cllr Pack suggested, "no cycling" signs may help, HDC to be contacted.

Mrs. Reynard: Complained about the clippings left in Millgate car park after recent work had been carried out. Some tidying up around the car park thought necessary and shrub replacement particularly if the town is to be entered in the "Britain in Bloom" competition. It would also help if gravel could be put on a "path" created by persistant use near the lavender bushes.

Mrs. Dodds: Pleased that there is now time allocated for the public to speak. Complained about the advertising of meetings of the Town Council, this meeting not in the D & S Times Miss Helen Miller, D&S Times reporter explained reasons; also needs putting in the free newspapers as well. Cllr Salmon asked that in future members of the public should remember to "speak through the chair". Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Matters Arising:

P1069: "A" boards - Cllr Robinson said he understood that the meeting between HDC, Thirsk Chamber of Trade and Town Council had taken place and could the meeting have a report on it. Cllr Adamson gave brief details, there had been very little on "A" boards and more on the proposed leaflet on Thirsk to be produced by the Chamber of Trade had been discussed. Signs at street ends to be considered by HDC. Clir Robinson asked for a copy-letter he had received which Mr McGloin, HDC had sent to Mr S Hubbard, chairman Chamber of Trade, to be read to the meeting in which it stated that "A" boards would be removed from the Market Place on 28th September 1999. Councillors, after much discussion, decided to ask for the matter to be put to HDC for Councillors to consider changing their regulations re "A" boards.

Library cuts: Cllr Pack asked if any reply had been received, none to date.

P1070: Cllr Robinson reported that the HDC tour of the area had taken place. When HDC Councillors had visited the Millennium Green some of the Councillors had not liked the long grass and also all the rubbish in the ditch near the new bridge and he understood that HDC would be writing to the trustees. Cllr Roberts reported she had made enquiries at YLCA regarding the cleaning of the Tranmire Close/Millennium Green ditch and had been told it was possible for the Town Council to clean the

ditch without taking on any responsibility or ownership. This is to be put on next amenity meeting agenda for consideration.

County Council Report: No report.

District Council Report: Cllr Robinson had nothing to report.

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/152/0017J: Prop: Renewal of consent for the construction of a detached dwelling house and

domestic garage.

Location: Land adjacent Millbank Court, Station Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr D Hunt (TC refused)

2/99/152/0533C Prop: Details of the construction of 33 dwellings as amended by letter and plans as

received by HDC on 9th April, 12th May and 29th June 1999.

Location: The former Nursery Site, Finkle Street, Thirsk.

Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC refused)

2/99/152/0595 Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house

Location: 20 Stoneybrough Lane, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs. Richardson. (TC approved) 2/99/152/0596 Prop: Extension to existing dwelling

Location: 8 St James Green, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs. B Rolfe. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0596A Prop: Application for LBC for an extension to existing dwelling

Location: 8 St James Green, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs. B Rolfe (TC no objections) 2/99/152/0597 Prop: Construction of a domestic garage.

Location: 26 Stoneybrough Lane, Thirsk.

Applicant: Diocese of Middlesbrough (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0598 Prop. Construction of a domestic garage to replace existing garage.

Location: The Bungalow, Masonic Lane, Thirsk. Applicant: Mrs. B J Binns (TC no objections but)

Refused:

2/99/152/0316A Prop: Increase in height of existing telecommunications mast to include the installation of additional equipment, construction of an equipment cabin and extension to existing compound.

Location: Newsham Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Orange Personal Communications (TC no objections)

Applications:

2/99/009/0162 Prop: Siting of a portacabin for training purposes

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Multidrive (TC no objections)

2/99/009/0171B Prop: Construction of a building for storage and dispatch purposes.

Location Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Diagmed Ltd. (TC no objections)

2/99/009/0191 Prop: Layout of land and construction of an office building

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk Applicant: Threejay Developments Ltd (TC approved)

2/99/152/0033F Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats with associated

parking facilities

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0062R Prop: Conversion of part of existing dwelling to a holiday unit as amended by letter

and plan received by HDC on 20th August 1999 Location: Hollin Barn, Sutton Road, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr C Hartley (TC approved)

2/99/152/0583A Prop: Outline application for residential development

Location: Highways Depot, Norby, Thirsk

Applicant: Highways Agency

Cllr Roberts explained that if the land, in the application above, which is not currently on the District Wide Local Plan for housing is to be included in the current allocation then the equivalent greenfield land should be taken off the current plan. It will be necessary for consideration to be given as to the effect on the Broadacres estate to the south and also a play area must be included. HDC to be asked to remember that this is a rural area - 15 houses on this site.

Accounts:

Approval for payment of the following accounts, except the invoice from Foden Spence (work undertaken being queried), proposed Cllr Murray seconded Cllr Pack, agreed.

For payment:

yment.	
CE & CM Walker- grass cutting, August	£ 669.75
FD Todd- empty skip, B Bd.; gravel	£ 112.13
BT - telephone office	£ 145.94
C. Amy - wkly insp play areas, install dog/litter bin E. Th,	
cutting Cent. field, weeding & pruning Little Green	£ 252.32
Collect & install gate, Castlegarth	£ 25.00
Collect & install gate & posts and materials	£ 205.00
Mkt Pl. & Mill Gard. weed, sweep & litter pick	£ 120.00
The Colour Centre- paint etc, play areas	£ 29.25
I Atkinson- telephone rental, Cem. Lodge	£ 26.77
Thirsk Motors Ltd - fuel, Cem.	£ 28.60
YPO- stationery	£ 22.36
Yorkshire Water- Cem Lodge	£ 147.66
Yorkshire Water- office	£ 23.00
Tilcon- readymix cement, E. Th.	£ 79.90
Power Point- B Bd, rake, repairs; Amenities hire.	£ 150.87
K Dickinson- clean office windows	£ 4.00
Foden Spence Construction Ltd- St James Green maint.	£2111.11
Inland revenue- tax and ins B Bd	£ 63.31
Inland revenue- tax and ins Council	£ 457.57
L Mitchell- clean bus shelter windows, noticebds. Mkt Pl.	£ 10.50
J Bell- office rent (5 wks)	£ 50.00
Petty cash	£ 50.00
A M Wilkinson- salary Sept. 1999	£ 596.29
I Atkinson-salary Sept 1999 DD	£ 425.87
HDC- C. Tax, office, Oct 1999 DD	£ 71.00
HDC- C. Tax, Cem Lodge, Oct 1999 DD	£ 87.00
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Paid since last meeting:

FWAG annual sub	£	29.37
YLCA seminar for new councillors	£ 14 10	

Exclusive Rights and Memorials:

Approval for the following application proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed. Application for an additional inscription: Isobella Campbell.

Correspondence:

Pickering Town Council - letter of thanks from councillors who had attended the Amenity meeting on 2nd September 1999. Cllr Adamson welcomed the good friendship, which has been established between the two councils.

Priory Publications, "Moors 2000" - discussion as to the value of advertising in this publication; Cllr Murray proposed Cllr Pack seconded that the Town Council should not place an advert in "Moors 2000" (4 against 5 for after casting vote). Cllr Adamson proposed the wording of the advert from last year be changed seconded Cllr Roberts (4 against 5 for after casting vote).

SLCC, Training day, 23rd October 1999, Easingwold - agreed clerk to attend.

Thirsk Chamber of Trade - letter re Thirsk and District Town & Visitor Directory to be published in October, asking if the Town Council had funds available to help with costs. Cllr Robinson proposed

Cllr Murray seconded that the Town Council should consider possible support, agreed to be on next Council meeting agenda.

Mayors Chain:

Cllr Murray proposed Cllr Roberts seconded that a further 6 double links be obtained (£700.00 plus VAT for links and fixing) from Thomas Fattorini Ltd. agreed (6for 2 against)

Internet Domain Name: Cllr Salmon explained the need to move quickly if the council wished to get a suitable name on the Internet. Cllr Robinson asked if there was anything to be gained by being on the Internet, Cllr Roberts explained how the Internet worked to help publisise The Ritz. Cllr Salmon, having consulted various companies, proposed the purchase of a domain name from UK Plus for £125,00 plus VAT seconded Cllr Adamson agreed (7 for 1 against). Think. 019. Cllr Murkett arrived.

Traffic Calming, St Mary's Walk/ Hambleton Drive:

Discussion on the area and the need for traffic calming ended with the proposal that the Town Council " should seek to enter into a partnership with NYCC to install traffic calming", possibly 5 "bumps" proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Roberts agreed. Cllr Murkett was not keen on the partnership being on a 50/50 basis. Cllr Salmon pointed out that the Town Council could be a small partner and that Broadacres could be asked to contribute. Letters to NYCC and Broadacres.

Millennium Project: Cllr Roberts reported on the progress made so far in the possible giving of mugs to the children who attend the junior schools in Thirsk even though some of the children are not from this parish. The problems of distribution were discussed. Cllr Robinson asked for all the children of Thirsk parish to receive a mug. Cllr Roberts is to continue investigating what is available and the costs involved.

Sub Committee Reports:

Market Place & Mill Gardens - Cllr Robinson asked when the report from the Amenity committee would be given, Cllr Salmon replied that as the Amenity meeting is an open meeting there is no need for a report.

Christmas Lights - Cllr Jackson reported that it is proposed that the Town Council give support to the Chamber of Trade up to £500.00 for the purchase of lights for one banner cable and that the Christmas tree and lights to be as last year.

St James Green - Cllr Adamson reported that Cllr Morton had queried the height of the traffic calming "bump" which had been installed by Foden Construction Ltd during the recent maintenance on the green, NYCC Highways to be consulted about the height allowed. Invoice to be held until resolved.

Representatives Reports:

Cllr Roberts gave details of an "Any Questions" evening to be held on 14th October 1999 in Northallerton by the C.A.B.

Cllr Salmon had attended Thirsk & District Chamber of Trade meeting. Gave details of the Community Care Assn., AGM in The Friends Meeting House on 29th September 1999 at 7.00pm; Thirsk & Sowerby Swimming Baths Charity Trust are to hold a meeting on 6th October 1999 in Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall; HDC Sports Council are to meet shortly, to be advertised in the D & S Times.

Members Reports:

1.ca.c Table Cllr Murkett reminded members of the forthcoming event for The Joan Maynard Appeal at which Mr Tony Benn MP will be speaking.

Cllr Roberts asked for the public toilets in the Market Place to be reported yet again as the smell was still dreadful also the broken glass near the public toilets, reported last week, still needs clearing up. Cllr Adamson had attended a meeting of the NHS Trust and the Battle of Britain evening, which ended with a Spitfire display.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Robinson said he understood that the temporary street cleaner who had been moved to Gt Ayton might be returning to Thirsk.

Cllr Salmon reported on the financial success of the Thirsk Festival and that a donation had been made towards the new screen at The Ritz Cinema.

Cllr Jackson asked that an enquiry to the local trading standards office be made to clarify the misleading advertisments re On Digital broadcasting now and ask what will happen when this replaces analogue broadcasting " in 6 - 10 years" time.

Cllr Roberts proposed the exclusion of press and members of the public seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Suspension of Standing Orders for 15 minutes proposed Cllr Salmon seconded Cllr Hall, agreed.

Confidential Items: Burial Board:

Cemetery Worker

Clir Salmon declared an interest and moved from the debate.

Cllr Hall gave brief details of the verbal warning followed by the written warning, which had been given on 1st September 1999, to Mr Atkinson re the state of the cemetery.

The new contract, which Mr Atkinson has signed, is for him to work on Wednesday and Thursday (8hrs per day) each week for £5.50 per hour. He is to be paid £35.00 per grave dug. Days spent grave digging are not part of normal working week. A plan and rota for grass cutting to be worked out. Cllr Hall asked for some assistance from the other members of the Burial Board for seeing these duties are carried out. The new contract complies with legal requirements now in force.

Cllr Murkett asked for assurance that in future the cemetery gate would be closed each night. It was agreed that this should be at lighting up time.

Personnel Committee: Cllr Adamson reported that the committee had met after which he had spoken to the Clerk stating the requirements that the Town Council expected in the future (i.e. Accounts kept on receipts and payments basis, accounts balanced quarterly, budget statements quarterly) and as soon as the necessary arrangements could be made, the Clerk is to takeover the receipts of payments for the cemetery.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 7th October 1999 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 20th September 1999
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence
- 5. To receive report on Seats, (maintenance and repair).
- 6. To discuss cleaning of ditch, Millennium Green/Tranmire Close.
- 7. To receive Sub Committee reports.
- 8. Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on 7th October 1999 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Roberts, in the chair, Adamson, Jackson, Marshall, Murray, Pack and the Clerk.

Apologies: Cllrs Murkett and Salmon.

Councillors decided that an attendance book for Amenity meetings should be purchased.

Minutes: approved at Town Council meeting, 20th September 1999.

Matters Arising:

Bunting: to be stored in the office.

Trees, Holmes: Work has begun, being done in stages.

Cllr Murray arrived.

Computer: Cllr Adamson reported that it is installed. Discussion on disposal of the old computer ended that the Council is to accept sealed bids up to the 31st October 1999, proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Notice Board, Market Place: The state of the "glass" in the board is getting worse, letter requesting replacement glass has been sent.

Loose cobbles, Market Place: When reported Mr Underwood told Town Council that the annual inspection of the cobbles is due to take place in October.

Deliveries near Royal Hotel: Town Council to write to all breweries delivering to The Darrowby Inn, Royal Hotel and the Black Bull asking that deliveries be carried out as quickly as possible and with more care for the public needing access to adjoining businesses and more care for the paving.

Shire Park: moving of Tothill, Playdale to do soon.

BTCV: The clerk reported that BTCV volunteers are expected to do some work towards the completion of the path Whitelass/Stockton Road on Friday, have been reminded that fence to be put back in position on completing all the work.

Thirsk Festival, Working-Party: Cllr Roberts reported on the exhibition showing photographs of this year's events. Cllr Jackson said that the planning of most events for next year was well under way, festival to be held from 30th June 2000 to 9th July 2000. Cllr Roberts reported that the Market Place & Millgate committee had not met yet for discussion of the possible "Thirsk in Bloom" competition.

Millennium Project: Clerk has asked for plans from the utilities using Long Street. January is to be dead line for replies. It was suggested that HDC be asked to help with the planning. Letter to Mr S Quartermaine.

Small areas, near White Mare roundabout: It was decided to ask Mr Mike Roberts, new Divisional Engineer, NYCC, Norby to meet councillors at an informal evening, dates suggested 21st or 28th October in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.30pm. These areas and other matters could be raised at this meeting. Clerk to arrange.

Castlegarth: Cllr Roberts reported that the new gate had been installed.

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Maintenance, St James Green: NYCC have been asked to look at the "bump" with regard to the height of it, waiting for response. Seats for Little Green have been ordered.

Correspondence:

Message from Mrs H. Clough-Smith re dog/litter bins: Arrangements for bins on Millgate Picnic area, invoice for bins at Millennium Green and East Thirsk and placing of dog bin on St James Green, noted. HDC will go 50/50 with the Town Council on the Millgate Picnic area.

R. Cowells, quote for painting milestones: £30.00 to paint both, approval proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

Record Playground Equipment Ltd: Open days, 20th & 21st October 1999 Cllrs Roberts and Marshall may attend.

HDC Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance-Public Outdoor Playing Space: Copies to be given to Cllrs Marshall and Roberts.

K.T.H.Ltd: information of services now available. (Amenity areas maintenance work) Mr E. Barker, Centenary Field access: Letter from Mr Barker read, has been replied to, correcting the misinformation which he has received on the new gate and where it has been installed and also requesting that periodic access could still be allowed. Copy of letter re notice Thirsk Community Primary School: Clerk to contact Mr M Armstrong for wording, then ask Foxes, Chapel St. and Graphic Arts for quotations for making a sign.

Councillors decided that the item requested for inclusion by Cllr Salmon should be a confidential item on the next Town Council meeting agenda.

Seats Survey: Circulated and corrected. Tenders to be asked for the maintenance and repair of 50 seats to be advertised in North Yorkshire News. Tenders must be for all. Cllr Murray said that The Lions would be asking for their seat to be moved from the Town Hall. Ideas as to where it might be positioned would be welcomed from The Lions.

Ditch Tranmire Close/Millennium Green: Cllr Marshall gave detailed position re ownership, history and present situation. Cllr Marshall reported that HDC were researching what has happened in the past about establishing ownership and that a contact at Barretts has been made and a meeting has been arranged between Barretts and HDC. Letter to go to Chief Executive, HDC asking for early conclusion to ownership of ditch. The matter of cleaning the ditch is to be left until after the Millennium Green Trust has had a meeting. Letter to Chief Executive, HDC saying that the Town Council are pleased to hear from their local HDC Councillor that progress is being made towards the purchase of the land adjacent to Millennium Green/Thirsk Community Primary School as the Town Council are in need of the open space. Copies of both letters to be sent to Mr M.Richards.

Sub Committee reports:

Playareas: 7 Acres site: Cllr Marshall gave out blank sketch plans of the bottom half of the 7 Acres area asking for Councillors to draw on their ideas as to how they would like to see the area "developed".

Workhouse Playarea: Cllr Marshall showed the various schemes that Playdale and Record have put forward for the area. Cllr Roberts suggested that a decision be taken after the Open Day at Record Play equipment.

Other items of Interest and Information:

Centenary field: Proposals for the wild flower meadow scheme from C. Amy read, to be asked to price the scheme.

Cllr Jackson asked for an item to be included on the next Town Council meeting agenda – To discuss the quality of advice on Planning Applications.

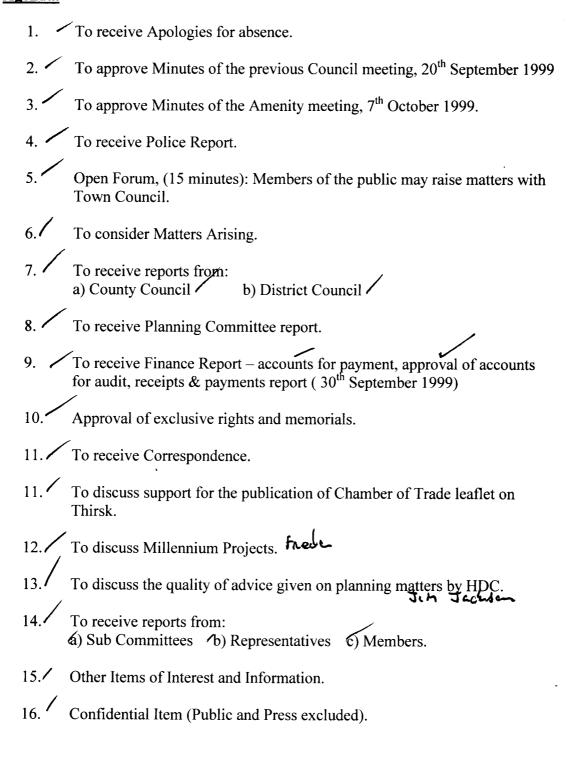
Cllr Adamson resigned his place as a representative of the Town Council on the Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall committee. The vacancy to be put on the next Town council agenda.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 18th October 1999 at 7.15pm.

Agenda.



Clerk to the Council.

Correspondence List - 20th October 1999.

Matters Arising:

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/152/0599 Prop: Extension to existing dwellinghouse

Location: 2 Darrowby Close, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Sharman (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0062R Prop: Conversion of part of existing dwellinghouse to a holiday unit

as amended by letter and plan received by HDC on 20th August 1999

Location: Hollin Barn, Sutton Road, Thirsk. Applicant: Mr C Hartley (TC no objections)

Appeal:

2/98/139/0218: The Former Courthouse, Westgate, Thirsk.

Withdrawn:

2/98/139/0218D Prop: Application for Conservation Area Consent for the demolition of parts of existing walls.

Location: 4 Westgate, Thirsk

Applicant: Mrs T Humphery and Mrs J Wernyj.

Applications:

2/99/139/0306G Prop: Extension to existing Class A1 store to incorporate additional car parking space.

Location: Tesco Store, Station Road, Thirsk

Applicant: Tesco Stores Ltd (no objections but)

2/99/152/0033F Prop. Constuction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats with associated parking facilities amended by plans received by HDC on 1st October 1999

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Thirsk Applicant T Watson (TC refused)

2/99/152/0360E Prop: Application for LBC for alterations to existing domestic

outbuilding

Location: Ingram House, Ingramgate, Thirsk. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0533C Prop: Residential development.

Location: The Former Nursery Site, Finkle St., Thirsk Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC refused)

2/99/152/0533E Prop: Construction of a electricity sub-station

Location: The Former Nursery Finkle Street, Thirsk Applicant; Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd (TC objections)

2/99/152/0583A Prop: Outline application for residential development.

Location: Highways Depot, Noorby Thirsk.

Applicant: Highways Agency. (TC approved but)

2/98/152/0585 Prop: Extension to exisiting dwelling. Amendment.

Location: 155 Hambleton, Place, Thirsk (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0600 Prop: Extension to exisiting dwelling

Location: 45 Fairfield, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Adams (TC no objections)

Accounts:

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Figure 1 to 0 to 1 TD 1 TT-11 manual bins	71 50
Tim Sk & Sowerby Town Tian, Toom Inc	71.50
THE C, dog/litter onis	05.33
Thirsk Motors, fuel B. Bd.	26.57
Gateway, Computer £ 8	15.47
C. Amy, Holmes, pollarding 5 trees £ 6	50.00
C. Amy, repollard 4 dangerous trees £ 7	65.45
C. Amy, wkly insp, remove swing seat, weed White Mare	
Roundabout £ 2	02.90
C. Amy, Mkt Pl & Mill Gard. Weed/water/litter pick. £ 1	60.00
C. Amy, Holmes paint swings 2 coats £	55.00
CE & CM Walker, grasscutting £ 5	89.85
	70.38
Javelin, printer £ 2	80.82
	18.17
Sam Turner & Sons Ltd, gate, furniture, cement £ 1	13.69
YPO, stationery £	19.13
Sowerby P.C. tree maint, Town Hall £	57.50
K Dickinson, clean office windows £	6.00
ROSPA, Playground Management Services, insp. £ 3	56.03
Refund, J. Marshall, bulbs, Castlegarth £	25.00
J Bell, office rent 4 wks	40.00
HDC, C.Tax, office, DD	71.00
HDC, C.Tax, Cem Lodge, DD	87.00

Correspondence:

-Mr C Lewis, Thirsk School.

Hambleton & Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership

-NYCC, Local Transport Plan

The Rotary Club of Thirsk.

Tabled Correspondence:

HDC, Attractions in Thirsk

HDC, Street Naming, Former Gas Site and Woodcock Poultry Farm

HDC, "A" Boards

HDC, Article 4(2) Direction

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group, minutes

Action for Market Towns, newsheet

Carers Link

YLCA, info

Thirsk School, Inspection Report.

FWAG, info (before next amenities meeting)

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall minutes

English Historic Towns Forum, AGM

Thirsk Chamber of Trade minutes

J Toms Ltd

Objective 2 North Yorkshire Up-Date

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Town Centre Survey Analysis

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on Monday 18th October 1999 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Murray, Pack, Roberts, Robinson and Salmon, 2 Police Officers, 1 press reporter, 2 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies: none.

Minutes:

Town Council, 20th September 1999:

P 1077: Christmas Lights, add (after "one banner cable" –" in addition to the usual donation."

Approval proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Amenity meeting, 7th October 1999:

P 1: "Thirsk Festival Working" should be "Thirsk Festival Liaison Committee".

P 2: "Thirsk Community Primary School" should be "East Thirsk Playarea". Approval proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Murray, agreed.

Police Report:

Insp. Broadley and PC. Hannan in attendance. Insp Broadley introduced PC Frances Hannan and explained in detail the role she is to have. Her duties are to liase between the public and the police on matters such as cycling on the pavements and other similar matters brought to her attention. The issue of cycling on pavements in the town is to be considered by Community Safety Officers and the Police in an effort to find a lasting solution. Cllr Salmon is concerned about the problems these cyclists, often without lights, cause to motorists and that there is little or no publicity given to offenders. Insp Broadley outlined the present system of fixed penalties and added that cycle paths through town may be an answer to most of the problems now present in the area. Cllr Roberts feels that children are perhaps not aware of the fact that motorists cannot easily see them and suggested that a video showing both sides of the problem could be made and shown in schools. Cllr Pack asked for a designated cycle park in the town, Cllr Marshall gave details of existing parking areas. Cllr Murkett raised the problems faced by elderly, disabled and blind pedestrians. Insp Broadley reported on various neighbourhood watch schemes in the town and surrounding area. Cllr Salmon suggested that PC Hannan could speak to various organizations that meet in the town to raise awareness of such schemes. Cllr Murray asked how often Thirsk police are required to attend incidents on Sutton Bank? Inspector Broadley said this happens frequently.

Insp. Broadley and PC Hannan were thanked for their attendance and left the

meeting.

Suspension of Standing Orders for open forum proposed Cllr Robinson seconded Cllr Pack, agreed.

Open Forum: No one wished to speak.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Roberts.

Matters Arising:

P1077: Traffic calming, St Mary's Walk/Hambleton Drive: Cllr Murkett concerned that "5 bumps" will not be enough to have required effect and proposed the use of chicanes as well. Cllr Marshall said rumble strips are more effective but noise from these must be taken into consideration. Cllr Robinson suggested that the Town Council establish a partnership with NYCC and Broadacres first then discuss the details. Cllr Hall suggested "speed cameras" should be used and the revenue from fines could be put back into the community.

Cllr Robinson asked what name the Town Council had applied for to Domain Names.com? Cllr Salmon replied that the name that he had proposed the Town Council purchase had gone when application was made but "thirsk.org" had been purchased at the same price.

Cllr Jackson explained that the banner display of Christmas lights is to be ordered by the Chamber of Trade.

P1078: Cllr Jackson asked if a reply had been received re the future of On Digital. Cllr Roberts suggested that as the Town Council had not had a reply to letters re library cuts that perhaps an "E" Mail to them could get a response. Cllr Adamson to try this.

County Council Report:

Cllr Murkett said that the traffic situation at the junction of Stockton Road/ St Mary's Walk should be considered at the same time as traffic calming on St Mary's Walk/Hambleton Drive.

Cllr Hall asked what was happening re the Right of Way through the Three Tuns Yard. It is expected that Mr K. Watkins, NYCC Rights of Way Officer will be attending the next Amenity meeting.

District Council Report:

Cllr Robinson told the meeting that HDC had not made a decision on "cabinet" method of running the Council. Cllr Marshall explained in detail what the changes could mean to the District Council. Cllr Robinson reported from the Public Protection Committee that CCTV will cover the Former Nursery Site car park and a discparking zone will operate there. Cllr Marshall reported that the District Leisure Strategy Draft first consultation is to be issued soon. The Hambleton Area Rural Transport Partnership has gained substantial funding for 3 years, M/S Loraine Laing; Project Officer is willing to speak to Town Council. The Town Council was urged to write supporting the NYCC scheme to reduce speed on York Road from 40 mph to 30mph asking also for it to be implemented as soon as possible. Cllr Marshall reminded the Town Council that there is a sum of money held, from the developers of the Workhouse site, by NYCC for traffic calming measures on Sutton Road that should be used as the houses are now occupied. It is planned that there will be an exit from Thirsk Industrial Park, 3rd Stage onto Sutton Road. Letter to NYCC Highways.

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2/98/152/0585 Prop: Extension to existing dwelling. Amendment.

Location: 155 Hambleton, Place, Thirsk (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0600 Prop: Extension to existing dwelling

Location: 45 Fairfield, Thirsk

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Adams (TC no objections)

Cllr Roberts expressed concern re various parts of the appeal for planning permission at the Former Courthouse. After discussion it was decided to write to M/s Mackintosh MP and the Secretary of State to complain of the way in which this appeal was undertaken.

Accounts:

Payment of the following accounts proposed Cllr Murray seconded Cllr Morton,

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Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall, room hire	£ 71.50
HDC, dog/litter bins	£ 1005.33
Thirsk Motors, fuel B. Bd.	£ 26.57
Gateway, Computer	£ 815.47
C. Amy, Holmes, pollarding 5 trees	£ 650.00
C. Amy, repollard 4 dangerous trees	£ 765.45
C. Amy, wkly insp, remove swing seat, weed White Mare	
Roundabout	£ 202.90
C. Amy, Mkt Pl & Mill Gard. Weed/water/litter pick.	£ 160.00
C. Amy, Holmes paint swings 2 coats	£ 55.00
CE & CM Walker, grass cutting	£ 589.85
Horticultural Services, tubs Mkt Pl. June	£ 170.38
Javelin, printer	£ 280.82
Quill, laminator	£ 118.17
Sam Turner & Sons Ltd, gate, furniture, cement	£ 113.69
YPO, stationery	£ 19.13
Sowerby P.C. tree maint, Town Hall	£ 57.50
K Dickinson, clean office windows	£ 6.00
ROSPA, Playground Management Services, insp.	£ 356.03
Refund, J. Marshall, bulbs, Castlegarth	£ 25.00
J Bell, office rent 4 wks	£ 40.00
HDC, C.Tax, office, DD	£ 71.00
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Cllr Murray welcomed the quarterly financial report of the Town Council.

Cllr Marshall reminded Chairman of committees that their budgets for 2000/2001 are needed at the next Town Council meeting for calculation of the 2000/2001

Adoption of the accounts for audit proposed Cllr Murray seconded Cllr Morton, agreed. a by law flying aircraft

Correspondence:

Mr C Lewis, Thirsk School has written expressing concern re the serious disturbances caused to lessons and examinations and asking for the support of the Town Council. Cllr Adamson to make enquiries.

Hambleton & Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership, details of launch noted. NYCC, Local Transport Plan, details to be sent to NYCC by 26th November 1999. The Rotary Club of Thirsk, details of progress on the Millgate Picnic area and a request for dog/litter bins, purchase proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Murkett, agreed.

Cllr Marshall had received a letter from R.A.N.Y. asking for support for their project for the next Thirsk Festival, to be on the next Amenities agenda.

Cllr Adamson reminded Councillors gave details of the Remembrance Day Service etc.

Thirsk Chamber of Trade Publication:

Copies of the suggested publication to be produced by the Chamber of Trade were circulated; Councillors discussed various points regarding accuracy and inclusion of all businesses. Cllr Salmon made the proposal that "the Town Council welcomes the publication of this leaflet and commends the Chamber of trade on it but regrets it cannot support it as it does not include all traders" seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed. Letter to Thirsk Chamber of Trade.

Millennium Projects: Cllr Roberts reported no further information to date.

Discussion – "on the quality of advice given on planning matters by Hambleton District Council."

Cllr Jackson gave various instances on recent planning matters in Thirsk where the advice given to the Town Council had proved to be inaccurate; perhaps the document was not vetted properly by HDC before being sent for consultation. Concern expressed by the number of "minor" amendments being sent on what are in reality major changes to the original plans. After discussion it was decided to send letters to the Leader of HDC and Director of Planning and Environmental Services. Planning officers to be asked to a meeting to explain the procedure of planning applications at HDC.

Suspension of Standing Orders for 15minutes proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Robinson, agreed.

Sub Committee Reports:

Market Place & Mill Gardens: Cllr Robinson reported the flower tubs in the Market place had been replanted recently. Mr Mitchell who has cleaned the bus shelter window for approximately 10 years had retired. Letter of thanks to be sent to him.

Representatives Reports:

Citizens Advice Bureau: Cllr Roberts reported recent fund raising event had raised £500.00. Lottery application for the outreach worker had been turned down. Thirsk & District Community Care Association, AGM: Cllr Salmon reported. Thirsk & Sowerby Swimming Baths Association: Cllr Salmon reported that there are problems at the moment (ponding in the changing area) and that the baths will close over the Christmas period for annual maintenance. East Thirsk Community Association: Cllr Murray gave details of forthcoming events.

Members Reports:

Cllr Murkett reported that he had recently visited 3 new parish councils and that 9 more are being formed.

Cllr Marshall reported that the Detached Youth Worker Project meet regularly and a press release appealing for funding is to be released soon.

Cllr Roberts gave details of a Playareas Open Day at Askham Bryan.

Cllr Salmon reported that Thirsk Rotary Club are to have a Santa Claus and his grotto, place to be decided.

Cllr Jackson had attended the Revolt AGM.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Murkett reported that Mr E. Benson, YLCA is retiring in January, a letter of appreciation of help given to the Town Council over the years to be sent. Cllr Hall reported that he had heard that there are times when Thirsk ambulance station is not staffed. Letter to be sent asking for confirmation and hours when not staffed.

Cllr Jackson expressed concern re the weight of cranes used during pylon construction.

Confidential Item:

Paint balling Day, Felixkirk.

Cllr Salmon outlined the proposed project, that Thirsk Police intend to undertake with some of the youngsters of Thirsk (approximately 10) in an effort to gain a better relationship with them. PC Musgrave has approached Cllr Salmon asking for financial help from the Town Council towards the cost of holding a Paint Balling day at The Shooting Grounds, Felixkirk that is to be a one-off event. Discussion ended with a proposal by Cllr Salmon seconded by Cllr Jackson that the Town Council should offer up to £100.00 towards the cost of this venture, not carried. (Voting – 4 for , 7 against.)

The meeting closed at 10.10pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 4th November 1999 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 18th October 1999
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence
- 5. To consider report from R.O.S.P.A.
- 6. 7 To receive report on meeting with Mr M Roberts, NYCC.
- 7. To consider R.A.N.Y. proposals for Thirsk Festival Week.
- 8. To open tenders for Computer/Printer.
- 9. To consider estimate for Centenary Field.
- 10. To receive Sub Committee Reports.
- 11. To receive Other Items of Interest and Information.

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Minutes of the Amenity Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 4th November 1999 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Roberts, in the Chair, Adamson, Hall, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Pack, Robinson, Salmon, Mr K. Watkins Rights of Way Officer, NYCC, 3 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Murray.

Minutes: Approved at Town Council meeting, 18th October 1999.

Mr Watkins, Rights of Way Officer, NYCC, attended the meeting to explain the working of his department. He answered questions put by the councillors. Cllr Roberts thanked him for attending the meeting before he left.

Cllr Salmon left the meeting.

Matters Arising:

Trees, The Holmes: Work on the diseased trees still in progress.

Replacing glass in notice board, Market Place: HDC to replace with reinforced glass. Loose cobbles, Market Place: Annual survey to be carried out this week by HDC, then repairs carried out.

Shire Park: Moving Tothill to new agreed site: Playdale have yet to inform Town Council of exact date for this work.

Thirsk in Bloom: Cllr Pack agreed to chair a working party (3 members) for this project. It was agreed to include this item in next years budget.

Millennium Project, Long St.: No replies from utilities to date. Mr S. Quartermaine to be asked for assistance with a scheme for the area.

Castlegarth: Cllr Roberts reported that photographs had been taken showing recent vehicular activity, a letter sent to new tenants of Castle Villa and advice sought re a further letter to Mr A. Johnson prohibiting further access. Cllr Roberts to approach Mr Bell for a different lease for the area.

St James Green, maintenance: Waiting for report from NYCC Highways on height and efficiency of traffic "hump" installed.

Notice, East Thirsk Playarea: Mr M. Armstrong has contacted HDC and NYCC for correct wording, will inform the Town Council so that a sign can be made, installed and photographed as a record.

Seat Survey: being put together, then will be advertised for tenders.

Workhouse Site Playarea: It was agreed to have Record Play equipment on this site. Cllr Marshall to inform HDC Leisure Services.

7 Acres site: Cllr Marshall asked for replies as to what councillors think would be appropriate for this area. HDC Leisure Officer has asked for this and is open to all suggestions.

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Chamber of Trade, Ladies in Business Group: letter requesting that the winner of a painting competition to be held in schools, doubts expressed re actual switching and time scale for the competition. Agreed to allow the winner to switch on the lights if the competition is held.

Chamber of Trade, Ladies in Business Group: Letter received suggesting the Group and the Town Council could work together on the project, Thirsk in Bloom. Agreed that the

Working Party set up by the Town Council should involve other groups within the

Letter re access from Herriot Way to South Dowber Lane: C. Amy to be asked to repair gap in the hedge to prevent this access being used.

R.O.S.P.A. Report:

Cllr Marshall asked that a further letter be sent to Mr Heseltine, ROSPA asking for a reply to the request for advice on the equipment on the Holmes Playarea. Playareas committee to hold a meeting soon to discuss report.

Report on meeting with Mr M. Roberts, NYCC:

Cllr Marshall reported that it had been a positive meeting with round the table discussion of many items affecting Thirsk. Mr Roberts is to contact the Town Council again re the grass cutting in Ingramgate and other small areas.

R.A.N.Y. proposals for project in Thirsk Festival Week:

Request for RANY for support from Thirsk Town Council by funding has been received. Cllr Murkett proposed Cllr Morton seconded that the Town Council agree to the idea in principal and would apply for a grant from whichever fund is most suitable, agreed.

Opening of tenders for the purchase of the computer/printer:

Cllr Adamson proposed that the names of the persons tendering and the amount \mathcal{S} tendered should not be given and that the highest tender be accepted seconded Cllr Robinson, agreed. Cllr Roberts opened the tenders. & 180

Centenary Field:

Cllr Marshall explained that as yet little had been done to this field. Cllr Roberts asked Mr C Amy to explain his scheme. After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Roberts seconded by Cllr Murkett that the scheme goes ahead and that an application for funding be made to HDC, agreed.

Sub Committee Reports:

Playareas: Meeting arranged for 11th November 1999 in the Town Office at 7.30pm.

Other items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Jackson reported that there is not a "brown sign" for Thirsk on the roads approaching the town from the south. Request to be made to HDC for signs to be erected.

Cllr Adamson informed the meeting that 2 minutes of rememberance will be observed in the town on the 11th November at 11.00 am and that the Rememberance Day service begins at 9.30am at St Oswald's Church Sowerby.

Cllr Marshall reminded chairman of sub committees that their budgets for 2000/2001 are to be to the office by 15th November 1999 and the Finance Committee meeting is on 8th December 1999 at 8.00pm in the Town Office.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall representative: Cllr Murkett agreed to fill the vacancy.

Meeting closed at 9.42pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 15th November 1999 at 7.15pm.

Agenda.

- 1. To receive Apologies for absence.
- To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 18th October 1999
 To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 4th November 1999
- 3. /To receive Police Report.
- 4. Open Forum, (15 minutes): Members of the public may raise matters with the Town Council.
- 5. To consider Matters Arising.
- 6. To receive reports from:
 - (a) County Council (b) District Council
- 7. / To receive Planning Committee report.
- 8. To approve accounts for payment.
- 9. Approval of exclusive rights and memorials.
- 10. To receive Correspondence.
- 11./ To discuss Town Hall funding.
- 12. To consider donation to Hambleton Citizens Advice Bureau.
- 13. To receive reports from:
 - a) Sub Committees b) Representatives c) Members.
- 14. Other Items of Interest and Information.

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Clerk to the Council.

Correspondence List – 15th November 1999.

Matters Arising:

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/152/0533D: Prop: revised application for the construction of 6 third floor dwelling units in lieu of 3 approved third floor dwelling units amended by plans received by HDC on 22nd October 1999.

Location: The Former Nursery, Finkle St, Thirsk. Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC refused)

Applications:

2/99/009/0045E: Change of use of existing agricultural land to industrial use and

formation of roads and footpaths/cycleways and provision of landscaping.

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park. Applicant: HDC. (TC approved)

2/99/009/0094D Prop: Extension to existing distribution warehouse

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: RNLI (TC approved)

2/99/025/0188A Prop: Extension to existing café

Location: Woodland Lakes, Carlton Miniott

Applicant: R K Fletcher (TC refused)

2/99/133/0048B Prop: Alterations and extensions to existing office accommodation

and staff amenity building.

Location: The Abattoir, Busby Stoop.

Applicant: Machin Yorkshire Lamb (No objections)

2/99/152/0033F: Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats with associated parking facilities amended by plans received by HDC on 1st October

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson. (TC approved if right of way from Castlegate exists)

2/99/152/482A Prop: Extension to existing dwellinghouse.

Location: 13 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Glasspoole. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0533D Prop: Revised application for the construction of 6 third floor dwellings units in lieu of 3 approved third floor dwelling units as amended by plans received by HDC on 22nd October 1999.

Location: The Former Nursery, Finkle St, Thirsk. (TC refused)

2/99/152/0579 Prop: Formation of car park Location: The Former Nursery, Finkle St. Thirsk

Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd

2/99/152/0601 Prop: Extension to existing dwellinghouse.

Location: 1 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: C A Sneyd. (TC no objections)

Accounts:

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Approval of Exclusive Rights and Memorials: Application for additional inscription:

Marjorie Elizabeth Wright.

Kate E. Christon.

John Alfred Barnett.

Correspondence:

- -HDC, precept for 2000/2001
- HDC, Signs, Market Place.
- HDC Parish Council Training on Planning.
- Mr D Tucker, road safety, Kirkgate (copied to councillor)
- Thirsk & District Royal British Legion (copied to councillors0 YRCC, AGM, 20th November 1999.
- **NYCC** Library Services
- -NYCC Environmental Services, winter maintenance.
- -NYCC Signage of footpath, Market Place.
- -Eccles Heddon, Castlegarth.

Harland & Co, transfer of licence, Blacksmiths Arms, Market Place.

Tabled Correspondence:

Yorventure, funding for community & environmental projects

HDC Rural Transport, newsletter

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall minutes

Objective 2 North Yorkshire Update.

Hambleton Local Development Agencies

HDC Street Collection Permits

Stigma Club. Newsletter

Viking Direct catalogue

Thirsk Chamber of Trade, minutes

Revolt, AGM minutes and letter

HDC Conservation Area Advisory Group

ATI, Millennium event

Bow Publishing, proof YRCC, annual report

Clerk & Councils Direct

YLCA, White Rose Update, Country Air etc

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on Monday 15th November 1999 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the Chair, Hall, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murray, Pack, Roberts, Robinson, PC Hannan, 3 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Murkett (attending meeting, College of Ripon & St John), Cllr Murray (late arrival attending East Thirsk Community School Governors meeting) and Cllr Salmon.

Minutes: Town Council, 18th October 1999.

P 1083 – add "by low flying aircraft".

Approval proposed Cllr Pack seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Amenity meeting, 4th November 1999:

Approval proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

Police Report: from PC Hannan.

Cycling campaign now underway.

Community Safety Officer, who could show a video depicting the dangers of cycling without lights and on the pavements, only visit schools when a visit is requested by the school.

Since the last meeting 2 new neighbourhood watch schemes have been set up in Thirsk and Sandhutton.

Thirsk police has been called out 95 times to incidents on Sutton Bank, each call out lasting from 3 to 6 hours.

Details of crimes in the area during the previous month were given.

Cllr Morton arrived.

Caravans using Sutton Bank receive a fixed penalty fine.

There is no restriction on articulated lorries using Sutton Bank.

Cllr Marshall asked if lorries causing problems on Sutton Bank could be "charged" for the time used by the police.

Cllr Roberts asked if the safety surfacing promised for Sutton Bank had been applied. PC Hannan said that the surface had been laid during a hot spell of weather, which spoiled it. Town Council to ask NYCC for further resurfacing to be carried out. Cllr Hall arrived.

Cllr Morton asked if there was an explanation as to why there was such a long delay in the police responding to a call to Finkle St. when a window was broken at 1.00am, reported and the police could not attend until 7.30am the following morning. PC Hannan explained that this was possibly due to understaffing in the area particularly at night. Cllr Hall reported that 9 shop windows had been broken in Finkle St. over the last 2 years and CCTV had not been successful in recording the incidents. Cllr Jackson asked how many staff are watching the CCTV screens in Northallerton at any one time. PC Hannan said there is one person watching all the time. Cllr Robinson asked if the police give priority to more serious incidents? PC Hannan said this is the case and that CCTV had reduced incidents in the town considerably. Cllr Marshall asked if the cameras could be repositioned for watching different areas at night?

Cllr Robinson reported to PC Hannan that some of the lights on Millgate car park are not working at the moment. PC Hannan to attend to this matter. fixed.

Suspension of Standing Orders for Open Forum proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Open Forum:

Mr D. Norfolk told the meeting that he and many residents of Sutton Road objected to the proposed Third Stage of Thirsk Industrial Park for the following reasons:

- 1. The landscaping along the northern edge of the site is to be 5m wide he understood the original plans had shown a width of 13m.
- 2. The footpath/cycleway onto Sutton Road he understood that the original plans stated that there could not be an access from the Industrial Park to Sutton

Cllr Roberts said the Town Council had no objections to this application which was only for change of use and read out the details of the proposed landscaping. Cllr Robinson said that careful consideration and consultation will take place on each site, the sites along Sutton Road and York Road will be allocated for B1 use only.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed. PC Hannan was thanked for attending before leaving the meeting.

Matters Arising:

Town Council, 18th October 1999:

P 1080: Cllr Marshall reported that the cycle park in the Market Place is now marked.

P 1081: "On Digital" have now issued a leaflet, NYCC complaints department to be asked for a response to previous correspondence. an wid.

P 1083; Cllr Jackson explained that the Christmas lights were planned to be the same as last year plus the 3 new banner sets of lights, one set provided by the Town Council.

P 1084: Request for HDC planning officer to attend a meeting early in 2000.

P 1085: Staffing at Thirsk Ambulance Station, letter has been acknowledged. On way.

County Council Report:

Rights of Way, Three Tuns Yard, letter to Secretary of State needs checking for accuracy.

District Council Reports:

Cllr Robinson reported:

The District Wide Local Plan had been distributed.

HDC had sent an exhibit on The World of James Herriot, for inclusion in the Millennium Dome.

"A" Boards decision taken at Public Protection & Emergency Committee meeting conditions are – a) business without road frontage b) need advertising consent c) a licence d) insurance cover.

Clir Marshall reported:

Draft Leisure Strategy is to cover next 5 years, to go out to second consultation soon, to be responded to by early January.

HDC facility charges to be increased above the rate of inflation. Cllr Marshall had tried to get the charges for the swimming baths reduced.

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Entrance fees to The World of James Herriot to go up from £4.00 to £4.50 but family tickets will not be increased. Cllr Pack said that this was counterproductive and unfair on local people who had been asked by HDC not to visit in the first year and would now have to pay more. It was unanimously agreed to write to HDC deploring the price rises and also to express the importance of this attraction and its development to the town.

HDC Leisure is to provide training for Playareas at a nominal charge.

Economic Development, Objective 2 area has been amended; the Bagby ward has been removed.

Cllr Murray arrived.

Cllr Hall asked for definition of "no road frontage" re "A" boards. Cllr Robinson explained that the business couldn't be seen from the main thoroughfare.

Cllr Roberts said that the passport scheme introduced by HDC had helped promote the area to visitors.

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/152/0533D Prop: revised application for the construction of 6 third floor dwelling units in lieu of 3 approved third floor dwelling units amended by plans received by HDC on 22nd October 1999.

Location: The Former Nursery Site, Finkle St. Thirsk. Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC refused)

Applications:

2/99/009/0045E: Change of use of existing agricultural land to industrial use and formation of roads and footpaths/cycleways and provision of landscaping.

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park. Applicant: HDC. (TC approved)

2/99/009/0094D Prop; Extension to existing distribution warehouse.

Location: Thirsk industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: RNLI (TC approved)

2/99/025/0188A Prop: Extension to existing café.

Location: Woodland Lakes, Carlton Miniott.

Applicant: RK Fletcher (TC refused)

2/99/133/0048B Prop: Alterations and extensions to existing office accommodation

and staff amenity building.

Location: The Abattoir, Busby Stoop

Applicant: Machin Yorkshire Lamb (TC no objections)

2/99/ 152 0033F: Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats with associated parking facilities amended by plans received by HDC on 1st October 1999.

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson (TC approved if right of way from Castlegate exists)

2/99/152/482A Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 13 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Glasspoole (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0533D Prop: Revised application for the construction of 6 third floor dwelling units in lieu of 3 approved third floor dwelling units as amended by plans received by HDC on 22nd October 1999

Location: The Former Nursery Site, Finkle St, Thirsk.

Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd.

2/99/152/0601 prop: Extension to existing dwelling house

Location: 1 Herriot Way, Thirsk

Applicant: C A Sneyd (TC no objections)

Cllr Jackson appalled that "Finkle Mews" had been nodded through by HDC.

Cllr Roberts gave details of site visit with Cllr Hall on the problem of levels between the car park and dwellings.

Cllr Marshall explained that the Town Council have always accepted that town developments will have less parking than other areas.

Cllr Adamson stated that all the problems of this development were due to total mismanagement by HDC.

Accounts: Payment of the following accounts proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

HDC Sports Council, annual subscription	£ 3.00
East Thirsk Comm hall, room hire	£ 8.80
HDC, dog/litter bins, Millgate Picnic Area	£ 480.50
Sowerby Parish Council, grass cutting, Flatts	£ 349.33
C Amy, weekly insp. Playareas, weed White Mare roundabout	£ 165.33
C Amy, Mill Gardens, sweep, weed, repair paving, water tubs,	
Market Pl, additional pansies tubs Mkt pl.	£ 135.00
C. Amy, change gate hinges Castlegarth	£ 25.00
C Amy, clear debris Whitelass beck	£ 10.00
Farmway, granules, B Bd	£ 72.72
SLCC, annual sub	£ 51.00
F D Todd & Sons Ltd, sand & cement	£ 7.68
Thirsk Motors, fuel	£ 23.50
Action for Market Towns, annual sub	£ 75.00
Refund, F Roberts, Polaroid camera & film	£ 15.00
CE & CM Walker, grasscutting	£ 398.32
Priory publications, ad Nth Yorks Moor Visitor Guide	£ 304.56
Power Point, B Bd, pruner, grass hook etc	£ 26.39
K Dickinson, clean office windows, 3 wks	\pounds 6.00
Petty Cash	£ 50.00
J Bell, office rent 4 wks	£ 40.00
HDC, C Tax DD (1 st Dec)office	£ 71.00
HDC C Tax DD (1 st Dec) Cem Lodge	£ 87.00
Payment by BACS:	
I Atkinson, Cem Supt. (Oct 99)	£ 453.41
A M Wilkinson, clerk (Oct99)	£ 596.29

Approval of exclusive Rights and Memorials:

Approval of the following applications proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Marjorie Elizabeth Wright Kate E. Christon John Alfred Barnett

Correspondence:

HDC precept for 2000/2001, noted.

HDC Signs Market Place – details on procedure necessary to have "no cycling" area signs erected near the town clock. Councillors agreed to ask HDC to proceed.

HDC Training for Planning – 4 members interested.

Mr D Tucker, Parking Kirkgate -

R.B.L. parking, Kirkgate - after discussion it was decided contact NYCC re bollards.

Cllr Adamson to contact R.B.L.

YRCC AGM details noted.

NYCC Library services in rural areas, comments by 17th December.

Eccles Heddon, Castlegarth - details of correspondence to Mr A Johnson.

Harland & Co – transfer of licence The Blacksmiths Arms, approve if licence attends a training course.

Yorventure funding in 1999, Millgate Picnic Area and Millennium Green were funded by Yorventure. Cllr Marshall suggested that the project in Long St could possibly be funded from Yorventure.

Parish Government Conference is to be held in March 2000 details given.

Clerks and Councils Direct to be circulated to all councillors.

Town Hall finance:

Cllr Roberts, chairman of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Management Committee gave details of funds held by the Town Hall and its proposed funding for the new annex. Tenderers need assurance of the project going ahead, Town Hall are applying to the lottery and if this bid is not successful a loan will be necessary. Application for a loan will have to be made by the owners. After discussion Cllr Marshall proposed that the Town Council could agree in principal to the project seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed (6 for 1 against 1 abstained).

Cllr Murray asked that in future the Town Council be supplied with up to date figures and details from the Town Hall Management Committee.

Citizens Advice Bureau, donation.

Cllr Roberts gave details of the great need for donations for the survival of the service. Cllr Robinson asked for details of cuts in the services. There is to be only one day on which the Thirsk office will be open after 1st January 2000. Cllr Roberts said the manager of the Hambleton area C.A.B. is willing to come to speak to councillors. A donation of £500.00 was proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Pack, agreed (6 for 1 against 1 abstained).

Sub Committee Reports:

Playareas: A report of the recent meeting will be given at the next Amenities meeting. Burial Board: A meeting has been arranged for 18th November 1999 at 10.30am at the cemetery.

Suspension of Standing Orders for 10 minutes proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Representatives Reports:

Cllr Marshall reported on the Chamber of Trade annual meeting and presentation of awards. Mr D Moore is the new chairman.

East Thirsk Community Primary School: Cllr Murray gave details of coming events.

Members Reports:

Cllr Roberts gave details of prices for Millennium mugs and is waiting for a response from the schools involved. More details to be given at the next meeting.

Cllr Murray: A copy of a plan of Thirsk in 1914 had been obtained. A copy has been taken to the Town office.

Cllr Adamson had attended the Remembrance Day ceremony in the Market Place and had taken the salute after the Remembrance Service the following Sunday. The morning service had been very well attended but the evening attendance was rather disappointing.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Robinson asked if carol singing had been arranged. Cllr Adamson will contact Mr J Worley, leader of the British Legion band re playing at the switching on of the Christmas lights.

Cllr Marshall proposed the exclusion of the press and public seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Confidential Items:

Detached Youth Worker Project:

Cllr Marshall reported that a photograph recording the presentation by Cllr Marshall donating a cheque value £500.00 from the Mayor's Fund to the Detached Youth Worker Project had been taken a long while ago but there had not been any further progress made to launch the project. Cllr Marshall is considering resigning from the committee even though she still supports the project.

Town Hall finance:

The Town council is to ask to detailed plans and calculations of the proposed replacement annex of the Town Hall. Various aspects of the proposal were discussed. "Town Hall finance" to be put on the agenda of the next Amenities meeting.

The Meeting closed at 9.57pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 2nd December 1999 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. ✓ To receive Apologies for Absence. Ć-- /
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 15th November 1999
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4.

 To receive Correspondence
- 5. To receive report from Playareas Committee (ROSPA report)
- 6. To elect a trustee for Carrs Field Ethel Johnson Bequest Trust.
- 7. To consider having a list of approved contractors for small works.
- 8(3) To receive information re Town Hall finance.
- 9. To discuss extra areas of grass cutting and maintenance..
- 10. To discuss response to tenders for seat repairs.
- 11. / To receive Sub Committee Reports.
- 12. To receive Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

NB. Circulation of HDC Leisure Strategy will be made at this meeting.

Minutes of the Amenity meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 2nd December 1999 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Murray, Pack, 2 members of the public, 1 press reporter and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Roberts, Robinson and Salmon.

Minutes, approved at Town Council meeting, 15th November 1999.

Cllr Marshall arrived.

Matters Arising:

Thirsk in Bloom Working Party: 2 members of the Town Council required to serve on this working party.

St James Green, maintenance: Though not entirely satisfied with the "bump" that was installed as a traffic calming measure it was proposed by Cllr Morton seconded Cll Adamson that the account from Foden Spence Ltd be paid, agreed.

Cllr Murray arrived.

Cllr Marshall reported that some councils have begun charging for access across greens. Cllr Murkett proposed Cllr Marshall seconded that YLCA should be contacted for clarification on this matter, agreed.

Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Murkett, agreed.

Town Hall finance.

Mrs J Watson, a member of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Management Committee, presented comprehensive details of the financial position and of the intended lottery application for the proposed new annex. Furnishings are not included and the consultants fees will be paid by the lottery if the bid is successful. A grant from HDC for £12,000 had not been included because the annex could not be completed by 31st March 2000. Cllr Marshall advised Mrs Watson to contact Mr D. McGloin, HDC with details of the expected timescale of the project and ask for the grant to be rolled over to the next financial year. Cllr Murray and Cllr Jackson asked that the Town Council receives more details of transactions undertaken by the management committee and its sub committees in future. It was agreed that Cllr Adamson would convey this to the chairman of the management, Cllr Roberts. The constitution of the Town Hall is to be checked for any small details that may need adjusting. Thanks were expressed to Mrs Watson and the sub committee for all the work they had done. Mrs Watson was thanked for attending the meeting.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Cllr Marshall said the replacement of the annex was an absolute necessity and proposed that the Town Council give their support for 50% of the cost. (Sowerby

Parish Council have already given an undertaking for the other 50%) seconded Cllr Murkett, unanimously agreed.

Playareas Report, ROSPA:

Cllr Marshall reported:

Holmes: Clerk asked to contact Mr P.Hesletine, ROSPA for a reply to the correspondence from the Town Council. The same items appear in the ROSPA report year after year. The new standards of the E.U. only apply to new equipment. It has been agreed to move the 2 pieces of equipment near The Cod Beck (monkey bars and parallel bars) to previously arranged positions. Sutcliffes to be asked for a price for more safety surfacing tiles under the swings.

Long Street: satisfactory.

East Thirsk: ROSPA to be asked to inform the town office when the next inspection is taking place so that the council can attend to see how the measurements are taken as there seems to be varying methods.

Shire Park: No real problems, Playdale still have to move the tothill to the other side of the fence.

McCleans: Grafitti needs removing, Mr C Amy to be asked to do this and also shorten the rope as ROSPA advises.

Carrs Field Trusteeship:

Cllr Adamson indicated that he was willing to stand again. Cllr Pack nominated Cllr Adamson for a further term seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Approved list of small works contractors:

Cllr Marshall proposed Cllr Adamson seconded that 4 catagories were needed - seats, ground works, aboriculture and horticulture. References and insurance cover will be required. Cllr Adamson to draft the advert.

Grasscutting areas from NYCC:

Cllr Marshall gave details of the areas to be considered. NYCC are willing to contribute £83.57 per annum towards the cutting of these areas. Cllr Adamson proposed that NYCC should be contacted for renegotiation on the amount to be paid for the grasscutting seconded Cllr Murray, agreed. Cllr Murkett to visit Mr M Roberts, NYCC.

Seats:

To date 5 applications for tender forms have been received. Details of seats needing attention and tender forms to be sent out next week and returned by 31st December 1999. To be opened at Amenity meeting on 6th January 2000.

Sub Committee Reports:

Christmas Lights: Cllr Jackson reported the problems of the previous weekend which had occurred because Mr C Amy had not put the fencing round the tree with sufficient distance to prevent damage to light bulbs. Cllr Jackson had asked that the police keep a close watch on the tree as he envisaged problems occurring before the fencing was adjusted. PC Hannan to be contacted for a report on the damage that occurred. Cllr Murkett proposed that a letter be sent to the Chief Constable saying that little help had been received by the Town Council whenever any assistance had been requested from

the CCTV camera recordings to which the Town Council had given generous donations towards the cost of installation and had funded the UHF Link, agreed. Cllr Marshall asked for the position of the cameras be changed at night so that acres of tarmac are replaced with views of alleyways in Millgate car park. It was agreed that more operators would really improve the system.

Cllr Murray left the meeting.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Adamson reminded members of the British Legion Band concert on 11th December 1999 in the Town Hall.

Regional Planning Guidance to be circulated round the Planning Committee. Report to be made at the January meeting of the Town Council.

Cllr Marshall: Finance meeting to be held on 8th December 1999 at 8.00pm in the town office.

Millgate Picnic Area, problems had occurred re placing of benches etc because Thirsk Rotary Club had not submitted a scheme to HDC prior to installing benches and shrubs.

Ditch at Millennium Green, hopeful of progress re ownership.

Cllr Jackson: Request for the white metal bridge, which belongs to NYCC, to be painted. NYCC to be contacted.

Cllr Morton: The position re car parking for employees needs monitering.
Cllr Adamson: The trees planted at the racecourse are not "mature", HDC enforcement officer has been informed.

The meeting closed at 9.28pm.

Thirsk Town Council.

A meeting of the Finance Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Town Office on Wednesday 8th December 1999 at 8.00pm.

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved Town Council meeting, 14th December 1999.
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. Budgets for 2000/2001.
- 5. Precept 2000/2001.
- 6. Any Other Business.

Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held in the Town Office on Thursday 8th December 1999 at 8.00pm.

Present: Cllrs Marshall, in the chair, Adamson, Morton, Murkett, Pack, Roberts, Salmon and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Jackson, Murray and Robinson.

Minutes: Approved at Town Council meeting on 14th December 199\$.

Matters Arising: None, agreed unanimously.

Budgets, 2000/2001:

Cllr Marshall explained each category on the budget list.

Burial Board: Cllr Salmon declared an interest and took no part. The budget was discussed, particularly the increase of salary by 6% for the Cemetery Superintendent.

Town Hall: The budget is to allow for external painting of the hall.

Administration: Cllr Adamson explained that each section had been adjusted in line with inflation. On the following items further adjustments were agreed:

Chairman's Allowance: raised by £100 to £400.

Stationery and equipment: raised by £500 to £1350. Phone post and electricity: raised by £77 to £1200.

Youth Group: Cllr Salmon asked that the same amount as last year (£500) be included, agreed.

Gratuity Fund: Discussion as to whether this should be replaced by a pension fund took place. It was agreed to leave as a gratuity fund.

Mayors Allowance: Cllr Murkett asked the present mayor if he felt the amount paid at the moment was adequate? From the reply given it was decided to raise next years allowance by £100. It was stressed that a mayor is always able to come to the council for expenses that are incurred through some special circumstances.

Stationery and equipment was raised to cover expense, which will be incurred putting the Town Council on the Internet. Cllr Salmon to contact other Parish Councils re their web sites. It was decided to have a web site created for the Town Council by a reputable organisation. The clerk is to ask the Chamber of Trade who is compiling their web site.

Insurance: Investigations re some of the values of items insured are being investigated.

Subscriptions: Cllr Murkett is to ask NALC as to why the Town Council are not receiving Local Review. All the information that is received from Action for Market Towns to be forwarded to the Chamber of Trade after each Town Council meeting. Youth Group: The title of this category to be changed to Youth Activities, agreed. Cllr Salmon proposed the inclusion of £500 seconded Cllr Pack, agreed.

Amenities Budgets: Cllr Roberts asked for these to be approved "en bloc" seconded Cllr Murkett. After a small amount of discussion on some items this was agreed.

Precept for 2000/2001:

Cllr Marshall explained how the details had been reached and proposed a precept of £54,000, the same as last year, be put to the Town Council on 13th December 1999 seconded Cllr Salmon, agreed.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Minutes of the meeting of the Cemetery Committee of Thirsk Town Council held on Thursday 9th December 1999 in the Cemetery at 10.30am.

Present: Cllr Hall, chairman, Cllr Jackson, Cllr Morton and Mr Atkinson (cemetery superintendant).

Mr Atkinson's retirement was discussed with particular reference to:

- a) The date confirmed as early June 2000.
- b) The requirement of the Town Council for the Cemetery Lodge to be available for the new cemetery superintendant.
- c) Mr Atkinson was reminded to approach Broadacres Housing Association about rehousing if that was his requirement.

During the walk round the cemetery the following issues were raised:

- d) The grass on the unused part to be cut before spring growth starts. (Cllr Hall to contact Mr Kidson.)
- e) Large heap of grass clippings to be removed. (Cllr Hall to see Mr Kidson).
- f) The Councillors present expressed surprise at the "long winded" way some of the long grass was being dealt with. Without doing the job first hand it was impossible to verify the explanation.
- g) There was a long discussion about the need to remove grave kerbstones. It was decided that there was a clearly defined area in the oldest part of the cemetery where the kerbstones could be removed and the land leveled sufficiently for mowing by machine to be practical. We would need to advertise our intentions. Graves where kerbstones were the only markers would be left as now. Kerbstones would be stored within the cemetery.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 13th December 1999 at 7.15pm.

Agenda.

Agenda.	
	receive Apologies for absence.
2. / To	o approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 15 th November 1999
/To	o approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 2 nd December 1999
/To	o approve Minutes of the Finance meeting, 8 th December 1999.
	o receive Police Report.
4. O	ppen Forum, (15 minutes): Members of the public may raise matters with the own Council.
5. T	o consider Matters Arising.
6. T	o receive reports from:
	County Council (b) District Council
7./ T	To receive Planning Committee report. To approve accounts for payment.
8. T	To approve accounts for payment.
9. / A	Approval of exclusive rights and memorials.
10./ T	To receive Correspondence.
11./ 1	To receive a report from Finance Committee & approve precept for 2000/1
12.	Γο consider contribution to Royal British Legion Band.
13.	To consider contribution to Royal British Legion.
14.	To receive reports from:
8	a) Sub Committees b) Representatives c) Members.
_	Other Items of Interest and Information.
16.	wheekson_ Clerk to the Council.

Correspondence List - December 1999.

Matters Arising:

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/152/0360D – Prop: Alterations to existing domestic outbuilding to form an additional domestic garage with 1st floor ancillary accommodation as amended by plans received by HDC on 5th November 1999.

Location: Ingram House, Thirsk.

Applicant Mr & Mrs Mollinger (TC approved)

22/99/152/0360E – Prop: Application for LBC for alterations to existing domestic

outbuilding as amended by plans received by HDC on 5th November 1999.

2/99/152/0482A - Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 13 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Glasspoole. (TC no objections) 2/99/152/0600 – Prop: Extension to existing dwelling.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Adams (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0601 - Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 1 Herriot Way, Thirsk. Applicant: C A Sneyd. (no objections)

Withdrawn:

2/99/152/0533E - Prop: Construction of an electricity sub station.

Location: The Former Nursery Site, Finkle St, Thirsk. Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC refused)

Applications:

2/99/009/0017J – Prop: Renewal of outline consent for the construction of s steelwork fabrication/storage building and an office building.

Location: Hambleton Steelworks, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Thircon Ltd. (TC approved)

2/99/009/0045E – Prop: Change of use of existing agricultural land to industrial use

and formation of roads and footpaths/cycleways and provision of landscaping.

Location: Thirsk Industrial park Applicant: HDC (TC approved but)

2/99/152/0018A – Prop: Alterations to existing 1st floor and 2nd floor offices to

provide replacement window sand fire escape.

Location: 8 Castlegate, Thirsk.

Applicant: I S Mellors. (TC approved but)

2/99/152/0172G - Prop. Display of a non-illuminated projecting sign.

Location: 7 Finkle Street, Thirsk.

Applicant: General Accident Property Services. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0523J – Prop: Application for LBC for installation of a satellite dish.

Location: The Workhouse, Sutton Road, Thirsk. Applicant: Crowther Homes. (TC approved but)

2/99/152/0533F – Prop: Construction of an electricity sub station.

Location: The Former Nursery Site, Finkle Street, Thirsk.

Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) (TC approved).

2/99/152/0565D - Prop: Revised application for the construction of a dwelling to replace exiting dwelling.

Location: Part OS 4211 Thirsk Junction, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A F Calvert. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0602 - Prop: Alterations to existing disused agricultural buildings for use as

a dwelling as amended by plan as received by HDC on 25th November 1999.

Location: Barn adjacent to Spa Farm, Northallerton Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr I Woodhead. (TC no objections).

2/99/152/0603 - Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 8 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Pack. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0606 - Prop: Construction of a domestic double garage to replace 2 existing

garages.

Location: 3 The Crescent, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs U T Place.(TC approved)

Accounts:

Payment By BACS:

I Atkinson, salary, (Nov. 99)

Accounts.	£	4.00
K Dickinson, clean office windows 2 wks		120.88
Inland Revenue, B Bd	L	£
Inland Revenue, Town Council		£
431.51 C Amy, wkly insp play/amen areas		£
162.32 C Amy, Mill Gardens, planting donated shrubs etc		~
120.00		
Maint. Hedges/trees Holmes/Carrs Field boundary, Parish boundary, Cent.		
Field S. hedge, S Dowber Lane, Whitelass Ings, Labour for applying kerb	£	225.00
Granules, planting replacement plants etc cut back existing hedges		149.00
C Amy supply replacements (hedging, shrubs etc)	£	80.00
C Amy Christmas lights, erecting fencing	£	10.00
C Amy Castlegarth, tidy up fallen tree.		390.00
C Amy, Diseased trees Holmes, pollard 4, coppice 1, trim riverside trees		115.00
C Amy, dredge Whitelass 30m ditch, coppice willow, clear under bridge	£	51.81
Farmway, kerb granules	£	16.10
Thirsk Motors Ltd, fuel B Bd	•	2111.11
Foden Spence Construction Ltd, maint. St James Green		81.66
Ackrill Group, advert NY news		129.25
Horticultural Services, tubs Mkt Pl.		393.63
Park Security B Bd Intruder alarm		176.07
BT, office phone a/c	L	170.07
Power Point Ltd, B Bd shears & sharpen, wrench hire generator etc	£	73.21
Christmas Lights, gen. Hire Castlegarth	£	
I Atkinson, phone rental Cem. Lodge	£	
Sam Turner & Sons, Furniture for gates		
Barclays, charges (deducted on statement)	£	
J Bell, office rent 4 wks		
HDC C Tax (1 st Jan payment)Cem Lodge DD	£	
HDC C Tax (1 st Jan payment) office DD	£	71.00

£ 425.97

Exclusive Rights and Memorials:

Application to erect a memorial:

Mary a Watson

Alan Butler

Application for an additional inscription:

Eva Spence

Correspondence:

NYCC level crossing/public footpath.

/HDC: Clock Market Place.

Thirsk Rotary Club

HDC Planning reply

Transfer Applications – The Black Bull, Regent Bingo & Social Club & The

Blacksmiths Arms.

Tabled Correspondence:

HDC Countryside Design Summary

HDC Year 2000, information

HDC permits, December.

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group, minutes.

Mr T Welsh, Riverside Mews

NYCC Traffic prohibition – A61 Finkle St.

YLCA White Rose Update etc.

RH Associates

Action for Market Towns, newsletter.

Portfolio catalogue

Better Government for Older People

NALC conference, June 2000

Glasdon, information

The Thirsk and Sowerby Quintessence

Minutes of Thirsk Town Council meeting held on Monday 13th December 1999 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllr Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Morton, Murray, Pack, Roberts, Robinson and Salmon, 2 members of the public, 1 press reporter and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Murkett and Cllr Marshall.

Minutes:

Town Council, 13th December 1999 – approval proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Murray, agreed.

Amenity meeting, 2nd December 1999 –

P1 - add "Cllr Pack asked for volunteers"

P2 - add "Mr Amy corrected the fencing the next day".

Approval proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Finance meeting, 8th December 1999 – approval proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Pack, agreed.

No Police report.

Open Forum: no one wished to speak.

Matters Arising:

P1088 - Cllr Jackson reported that the Christmas tree lights had been installed and are working.

On Digital – awaiting a reply.

Ambulance Service - letter re staffing at Thirsk depot to be followed up. Right of Way, Three Tuns Yard - letter has gone to secretary of State.

P1089 - The World of James Herriot entry charges will not be increased this year.

P1091 - Cllr Salmon reported there is to be a change in the licensing laws re licensees. Cllr Jackson deplored the cut in the hours that the CAB office will be open in Thirsk after 1st January particularly as the Town Council had made a donation. Cllr Roberts explained the tight finances of the CAB. A lottery grant had been awarded to the CAB to buy new premises at Northallerton, which would mean more space for the people working there, and also gives ground floor access. The Town Council is to send letters to NYCC and HDC asking that they give financial support to the CAB, which provides a valuable service to the community, as well as saving both councils a considerable amount of time. Cllr Robinson queried the viability of the office in the Town Hall when it is only used 2 hours per week and suggested the office could be shared. Cllr Roberts explained that CAB have confidential files therefore sharing was not an option, the rent charged was small and a decision on this was up to the Town Hall Management committee. Cllr Roberts suggested that Mrs Dawson, head of CAB Hambleton Branch, be invited to speak to the Town Council, agreed. Parking, RBL Kirkgate - Cllr Adamson had made enquiries about the situation. NYCC are to install bollards shortly and parking area restrictions are to be included in the area covered by the traffic wardens. Only one resident had raised any objections to these proposals. NYCC to be asked to clarify the exact placing of the bollards.

County Council Report - none.

District Council Report - Cllr Robinson reported that even though there had been great problems with the public toilets in the Market Place the toilets had still received an award. Cllr Roberts reported that the public toilets were not open the hours stated and asked that this be raised with HDC.

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/152/0360D - Prop: Alterations to existing domestic outbuilding to form an additional domestic garage with 1st floor ancillary accommodation as amended by plans received by HDC on 5th November 1999.

Location: Ingram House, Thirsk.

Applicant Mr & Mrs Mollinger (TC approved)

22/99/152/0360E - Prop: Application for LBC for alterations to existing domestic outbuilding as amended by plans received by HDC on 5th November 1999.

2/99/152/0482A - Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 13 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Glasspoole. (TC no objections) 2/99/152/0600 - Prop: Extension to existing dwelling.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Adams (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0601 - Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 1 Herriot Way, Thirsk. Applicant: C A Sneyd. (no objections)

Withdrawn:

2/99/152/0533E - Prop: Construction of an electricity sub station.

Location: The Former Nursery Site, Finkle St, Thirsk. Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC refused)

Applications:

2/99/009/0017J - Prop: Renewal of outline consent for the construction of s steelwork fabrication/storage building and an office building.

Location: Hambleton Steelworks, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Thircon Ltd. (TC approved)

2/99/009/0045E - Prop: Change of use of existing agricultural land to industrial use and formation of roads and footpaths/cycleways and provision of landscaping.

Location: Thirsk Industrial park Applicant: HDC (TC approved but)

2/99/152/0018A – Prop: Alterations to existing 1st floor and 2nd floor offices to

provide replacement window sand fire escape.

Location: 8 Castlegate, Thirsk.

Applicant: I S Mellors. (TC approved but)

2/99/152/0172G - Prop: Display of a non-illuminated projecting sign.

Location: 7 Finkle Street, Thirsk.

Applicant: General Accident Property Services. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0523J - Prop: Application for LBC for installation of a satellite dish.

Location: The Workhouse, Sutton Road, Thirsk. Applicant: Crowther Homes. (TC approved but)

2/99/152/0533F - Prop: Construction of an electricity sub station.

Location: The Former Nursery Site, Finkle Street, Thirsk.

Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) (TC approved).

2/99/152/0565D - Prop: Revised application for the construction of a dwelling to

replace exiting dwelling.

Location: Part OS 4211 Thirsk Junction, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A F Calvert. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0602 - Prop: Alterations to existing disused agricultural buildings for use as

a dwelling as amended by plan as received by HDC on 25th November 1999.

Location: Barn adjacent to Spa Farm, Northallerton Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr I Woodhead. (TC no objections).

2/99/152/0603 – Prop: Extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 8 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Pack. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0606 - Prop: Construction of a domestic double garage to replace 2 existing

garages.

Location: 3 The Crescent, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs U T Place.(TC approved)

2/99/139/0306G Prop: Extension to existing Class 1 store to incorporate additional car

parking space as amended by plans received by HDC on 30th November 1999.

Location: Tesco Store, Station Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Tesco Stores Ltd.

Cllr Adamson explained that Thirsk Town Council, Sowerby Parish Council, NYCC Highways, HDC Planning officers, and Tesco representatives had met recently to discuss these plans. Cllr Salmon expressed concern re parking for those who work in the nearby offices:-

Accounts:

Payment of the following accounts proposed Cllr Murray seconded Cllr Morton,

1	
agreed.	£ 4.00
K Dickinson, clean office windows 2 wks	£ 120.88
Inland Revenue, B Bd	£ 431.51
Inland Revenue, Town Council	
C Amy, wkly insp play/amen areas	£ 162.32
C Amy Mill Gardens, planting donated shrubs etc	£ 120.00
Maint. Hedges/trees Holmes/Carrs Field boundary, Parish boundary, Cent	•
Field S. hedge, S Dowber Lane, Whitelass Ings, Labour for applying kerb	
Field S. nedge, S Dowber Lane, withclass high, European in the second head existing hedges	£ 225.00
Granules, planting replacement plants etc cut back existing hedges	£ 149.00
C Amy supply replacements (hedging, shrubs etc)	£ 80.00
C Amy Christmas lights, erecting fencing	£ 10.00
C Amy Castlegarth, tidy up fallen tree.	
C Amy Diseased trees Holmes, pollard 4, coppiee 1, trim riverside trees	£ 390.00
C Amy, dredge Whitelass 30m ditch, coppice willow, clear under bridge	£ 115.00
Farmway, kerb granules	£ 51.81
	£ 16.10
Thirsk Motors Ltd, fuel B Bd	£2111.11
Foden Spence Construction Ltd, maint. St James Green	£ 81.66
Ackrill Group, advert NY news	£ 129.25
Horticultural Services, tubs Mkt Pl.	
Park Security B Bd Intruder alarm	£ 393.63
BT, office phone a/c	£ 176.07
D1, office production	

Power Point Ltd, B Bd shears & sharpen, wrench hire generator etc Christmas Lights, gen. Hire Castlegarth I Atkinson, phone rental Cem. Lodge Sam Turner & Sons, Furniture for gates Barclays, charges (deducted on statement) J Bell, office rent 4 wks HDC C Tax (1st Jan payment)Cem Lodge DD HDC C Tax (1st Jan payment) office DD	£££££	73.21 23.63 18.75 5.00 40.00 87.00 71.00
Payment By BACS: I Atkinson, salary, (Nov. 99) A M Wilkinson, salary, (Nov 99)		425.97 596.29

Exclusive Rights and Memorials:

Approval of the following applications proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Adamson,

Application to erect a memorial:

Mary A Watson

Alan Butler

Application for an additional inscription:

Eva Spence

Correspondence:

NYCC level crossing/public footpath - application by Railtrack to NYCC to change the route of the public footpath which at the moment crosses Thirsk Station, onto land owned by Thirsk Hall Farms, agreed.

HDC: Clock Market Place - recent service has been carried out.

Thirsk Rotary Club - offer to put 2 seats beside the path (on HDC land) from Millgate Car Park to the Picnic Area, accepted.

HDC Planning response, Former Nursery Site - Town Council still not satisfied with the statement that the levels shown on the plans would work in practice. Letter to be sent to Mr S Quartermaine, HDC re complete dissatisfaction on the planning of this

Transfer of Licence, applications - The Black Bull, Regent Bingo & Social Club & The Blacksmiths Arms – agreed in principal, clerk to check the number of gaming machines at The Blacksmiths Arms.

Precept 2000/2001: Cllr Salmon proposed acceptance of £54,000.00, agreed by the Finance Committee as the amount required for the year 2000/2001, seconded by Cllr Roberts, agreed unanimously.

Royal British Legion Band: Cllr Adamson reported that the band had played at a concert during the year and at the switching on of the Christmas lights and suggested a donation from the Town Council in recognition was appropriate. Cllr Robinson proposed a donation of £100.00 seconded Cllr Jackson, agreed.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, wreaths: Cllr Roberts proposed a donation of £40.00 seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Sub Committee reports:

Thirsk in Bloom Working Party: Cllr Pack asked for 2 volunteers from the Town Council to join with her on the Working Party. No one volunteered, to ask again at the next amenity meeting.

Burial Board: Cllr Hall requested that a confidential item be held at the end of this

Christmas Lights: Cllr Jackson asked that the lights owned by the Town Council be left on all "Millennium" night, agreed. Cllr Jackson to contact the electrician.

Representatives:

Community Care Assn.: Cllr Salmon reported that the association is very busy and getting short of office space. The Norby Luncheon Club is well supported.

Flatts Trust, AGM: Cllr Salmon reported that the officers are the same for the coming year. The area has been booked for use during the Thirsk Festival but some concern had been expressed re the use of the area by vehicles.

Chamber of Trade: Cllr Salmon reported the timing of the late opening evening for Christmas was to be discussed.

Thirsk & Sowerby Swimming Baths Charitable Trust: Cllr Salmon reported that the Trust had held 2 meeting within 6 weeks and reported that the minutes were very inadequate for these meetings and objected to them being held in Northallerton. The HDC Leisure Group, which manages the bathes, meets 4 times per annum again in Northallerton. Cllr Salmon had asked for the meeting to take place in Thirsk in future. East Thirsk Community Assn: Cllr Murray gave details of the events that are to be held in the hall.

Members Reports:

Cllr Salmon explained in detail what was required for the web site of the Town Council. He is willing to provide the details and knows a person who is willing to do the work involved. Cllr Robinson asked that care be taken not to give the clerk any extra work by duplication of information which is already available on the Chamber of Trade web site. Cllr Adamson proposed that Cllr Salmon's offer be accepted, agreed.

Cllr Murray asked for a letter to be sent to HDC asking for chewing gum to be cleaned off the pavements in Thirsk, agreed.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Adamson reported that no changes had been made regarding the proposals for Thirsk and Carlton Miniott in the Local Government Consultation for Final Recommendations on the Future Electoral Arrangements for Hambleton in North Yorkshire and recommended that the original comments be made.

Cllr Robinson told the meeting that Mr Gerald Turton had recently become High Sheriff of North Yorkshire. Town Council to send letter of congratulations.

Cllr Murray asked to discuss Town Hall tenders as a confidential item at the end of this meeting.

Cllr Adamson told the meeting of Mrs E Waller's recent retirement after over 40 years service in the town latterly as a community health visitor. Town Council to acknowledge her service.

Exclusion of press and public proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Salmon, agreed.

Confidential Items.

Burial Board.

Cllr Hall raised the matter of removing the kerbs that are round graves in the old section of the cemetery. Cllr Morton suggested that graves that are in excess of 100 years to begin with and that a further part be added every 10 years. He also suggested that if there were any attended graves these could be left. Cllr Pack said that the leaving of headstones must be emphasised in the advert which would be placed in the press. Cllr Hall and the clerk to compile a suitable advert.

Cllr Salmon declared an interest and did not take in the following item.

Cllr Hall reported on a meeting, which had taken place with Mr Atkinson, cemetery superintendent in which Mr Atkinson had been told he would be retiring when he is 65years old that will be in June 2000. Cllr Hall to find out exact date. Cllr Hall to write minutes of the meeting. Cllr Murray recommended that 90 days notice be given to Mr Atkinson and also that he is required to vacate Cemetery Lodge when his employment ends. Cllr Adamson to contact Mr J. Jukes, YLCA, re terminating Mr Atkinson's employment.

Cllr Salmon rejoined the meeting.

Town Hall.

Cllr Murray asked for information re the tenders which had been received for the replacement annex at the Town Hall. Cllr Roberts explained that these were still confidential at the moment. Discussion followed re the manner in which the tenders had been asked for and the contractors selected to tender.

The meeting closed at 9.58pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held at East Thirsk Community Hall on Thursday 6th January 2000 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. / Minutes, approved at Town Council, 13th December 1999.
- 3. Matters Arising.
- 4. To receive Correspondence
- 5./ Formation of Thirsk in Bloom Working Party.
- 6. To open tenders for seat repairs.
- 7. To receive Sub Committee Reports.
- 8. To receive Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

N.B. Hambleton & Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership – Mr Jonathan House & Miss Sarah Coulson are attending the meeting.

NB PLEASE NOT CHANGE OF VENUE FOR THIS MONTH ONLY. PLEASE USE THE SIDE DOOR - (FIRE DOOR).

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in East Thirsk Community Hall on Thursday 6th January 2000 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Roberts, in the chair, Adamson, Jackson, Marshall, Morton, Pack and Salmon, 2 members of the public, 1 press reporter, Mr Jonathan house and Miss Sarah Coulson (Hambleton & Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership) and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Murkett, Murray and Robinson.

Minutes of previous meeting confirmed at Town Council Meeting, 13th December 1999

Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Cllr Roberts introduced Mr Jonathan House and Miss Sarah Coulson from Hambleton & Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership who first of all explained what the aims of the partnership are, what progress has been achieved so far and the deadlines for the project funding. Discussion took place with Councillors as to what transport services existed in Thirsk and what improvements could be made to them to meet the needs of local residents. The main problems highlighted were the lack of accurate timetables, the services must be reliable and the public must be made aware of them. Easy access into and from the vehicles used of prime importance, this is to be legislated for but will take time to be fully implemented. Cllr Roberts thanked Mr House and Miss Coulson for attending the meeting.

Cllr Salmon left the meeting.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Adamson seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

Matters Arising:

P2 – Small works contractors, Cllr Adamson has drafted an advert to be put in North Yorkshire News

Grasscutting small areas from NYCC: Mr Roberts, NYCC is unable to offer any higher payment for the grass cutting of the small areas discussed at last meeting. Cllr Adamson proposed Cllr Marshall seconded that the council should not undertake to cut the areas for the amount that NYCC were prepared to pay, agreed unanimously. Councillors agreed to take on the upkeep of the area with shrubs near White Mare roundabout. Town Council are to include in their grasscutting contract conditions the following: a) First cut on Ingramgate and Stockton Road to be 21 days from date Town Council and NYCC agree the daffodils and narcissi are dead (Town Council will inform contractor) b) Contractor to clear these areas after first cut.

Correspondence:

NYCC Better Value Performance Plan & Budget, details of meetings given, Cllr Adamson and Marshall to attend on 13th January.

C. Amy, Holmes Management 1999/2001 – Cllr Marshall agreed to look at the proposals, work agreed.

Community Paths Initiative – Town Council have joined the scheme.

Payment of the following was proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

BTCV, footpath Whitelass £ 1675.40
Donation to Christmas Lights £ 500.00
Donation to Christmas Lights £ 300.00

Thirsk in Bloom Working Party – Two more councillors are still needed to join Cllr Pack on this Working Party.

Sub Committee Reports:

Christmas Lights – Cllr Jackson reported that the Christmas tree was broken down by gales on Christmas Eve, Mr G Johnston, electrician, had been called out to make the badly damaged lighting safe (70 bulbs broken). Mr Woodhead willing supplied a replacement tree. Cllr Hall and his staff removed the damaged tree and installed the replacement between Christmas and the New Year, Cllr Jackson obtained more bulbs, Mr J House, electrician, installed the lighting on the new tree. Letters of thanks to be sent to Mr Woodhead, R.S. Hall Engineering and both electricians for all their work over the holiday period. Cllr Marshall congratulated the Chamber of trade for the Christmas Lights in the town and said she hoped that the "dark" areas in the Christmas lighting could be addressed next year.

Playareas:

Cllr Marshall recommended that the remainder of the path on the Whitelass to Stockton Road should be improved. Ownership of the fallen tree on Stockton Road is being investigated in order that it can be made safe.

Cllr Marshall presented the Town Council with a copy of "The Thirsk & Sowerby Quintessence" by Mr Harry Whitton.

Exclusion of the press and public proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room of Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 17th

January 2000 at 7.15pm.

To receive Apologies for absence.
To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 13 th December 1999
To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 6 th January 2000.
To receive Police Report.
Open Forum, (15 minutes): Members of the public may raise matters with Town Council.
To consider Matters Arising.
To receive reports from: (a) County Council (b) District Council
To receive Planning Committee report.
To approve accounts for payment.
Approval of exclusive rights and memorials.
To receive Correspondence.
To consider adoption of Town Council crest.
To discuss Millennium mugs.
To receive reports from:
a) Sub Committees. b) Representatives. c) Members.
Other Items Of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

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Correspondence List - January 2000.

Matters arising:

Planning:

Granted:

2/99/025/0188A Prop: Extension to existing café Location: Woodland Lakes, Carlton Miniott.

Applicant: R K Fletcher. (TC refused)

2/99/152/0523J Prop: Application for LBC for the installation of a satellite dish

Location: The Workhouse, Sutton Road, Thirsk. Applicant: Crowther Homes (TC approved)

2/99/152/0533F Prop: Construction of an electricity sub-station.

Location: The former Nursery, Finkle St. Thirsk.

Applicant: Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. (TC approved) 2/99/152/0603 Prop: Extension to existing dwellinghouse.

Location: 8 Herriot Way, Thirsk (TC approved).

Withdrawn:

2/99/152/0604 prop: Alterations and extension of existing dwelling.

Location: Cedar House, Church View, Thirsk, (TC refused)

Applications:

2/99/139/0306 Prop: Extension to existing Class A1 Store to incorporate additional car parking space as amended by plans received by HDC on 30th November 1999.

Location: Tesco Store, Station Road, Thirsk. (TC approved) 2/99/152/0245P Prop: Construction of boundary fences.

Location: The Darrowby Inn, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr G Jackson. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0245Q Prop: Application for LBC to construct boundary fences. Location: The Darrowby Inn, Market Place, Thirsk. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0352B: Prop: Alterations to existing public house.

Location: Black Lion Public House, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: Enterprise Inns plc. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0433A Prop: Ground floor extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 30 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Croft. (TC no objections) 2/99/152/0605 Prop: Installation of a satellite dish.

Location: 10 Todd's Court, Thirsk. Applicant: P A Tock (TC refused).

2/99/152/0033F Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats with associated parking facilities as amended by letter and plans received by HDC on 16th December 1999.

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson.

Accounts:

Accounts:	£ 42.00
J. Jackson, refund, bulbs for Christmas lights	1 42.00
	£ 16.45
I. Atkinson, refund, wheel	C 460 59
Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall, insurance	£ 460.58

	£ 31.73
Farmway, granules, Playareas	£ 30.00
R.Cowels, paint milestones	£ 35.00
D J Mann, bus shelter window cleaning, 10 weeks	£ 53.39
Quill, stationery	£ 51.68
Quill, surgemaster	£ 121.03
Todd Waste Management, empty skip	
Thirsk Motors, fuel, B. Bd	£ 6.00
S & J Kidson, widen gateway, grass cutting	£ 215.02
Thomas Fattorini Ltd. links mayor's chain	£ 841.07
Bow House Publishing, advert, Come & Stay in Herriot Country	£ 338.40
Power Point Ltd, gloves, oil, digger hire	£ 66.54
C Amy:	
Wkly insp. Remove broken branches, spread kerb granules	£ 232.90
Mill gardens, pruning etc, remove dangerous branches	£ 241.50
Whitelass/Holmes repollard, remove rubbish from beck	£ 135.00
Herriot Way/S. Dowber Lane, lay hedge	£ 133.63
Christmas Lights remove fencing	£ 40.00
Shire Park, plant hedge, plants	£ 102.00
Shire Park, labour	£ 120.00
Shire Park, spirals and canes	£ 90.00
J Bell, office rent, 5 weeks	£ 50.00
	£ 50.00
Petty Cash K Dickinson, clean office windows 1 week	£ 2.00
LDC C. T. Com Lodge DD	£ 87.00
HDC, C. Tax, Cem. Lodge DD	£ 71.00
HDC, C. Tax, office	
Paid since last meeting:	£1,675.40
BTCV, path Whitelass/Stockton Road	£ 500.00
Christmas Lights Appeal, donation for banner lights	£ 300.00
Christmas lights Appeal, donation	£ 500.00
Hambleton CAB, donation	£ 40.00
Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, wreathes	£ 40.00 £ 100.00
Thirsk Royal British Legion Band, donation	
TAIN HALL MIKE.	82.50

Cemetery:

Application to erect a memorial:

Shirley Ann Metcalfe

Allan Shaw

Application for an additional inscription:

Ethel Lorraine Forster.

Correspondence: YRCC Parish Government Conference 3/5 March 2000-01-17

Thirsk Rotary Club
Tees, East and North Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust.

HDC, Street Naming and Numbering. Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd.

Mr F Smith.

NYCC, speed limit, York Road.

Tabled Correspondence:

First Aid Courses

Kompan Ltd.

NYCC, timetables.

L Twiss.

Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group NYCC Initiative for Business in North Yorkshire.

Carers Link

NYCC Parish Council News

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Minutes

Action for Markets Towns

White Rose Update, etc

Tilcon

Edge Designs Ltd Thirsk Chamber of Trade, minutes

Objective 2, North Yorkshire Update

Yorkshire Planning Aid

Viking Direct catalogue.

Portfolio

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Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Jackson, Morton, Murkett, Murray, Pack, Roberts, Robinson and Salmon, Sgt. Frank, PC. Hannan, 5 members of the public, 1 press reporter and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Marshall.

Minutes:

Town Council, 13th December 1999: Approval proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Murray, agreed. Amenities meeting, 6th January 2000: Approval proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Cllr Pack arrived.

Police report: Sgt. Frank reported that the Millennium night had been very quiet in the town, quieter than a normal Friday.

Cllrs Robinson, Roberts and Jackson arrived.

Cllr Murray asked if there are more incidents requiring police attendance on Sutton Bank due to the winter weather. Sgt. Frank said this was the case. Occasionally Thirsk Police get assistance from the police at Helmsley who are also short staffed. Discussion on what traffic restrictions are in force and how more stringent weight restrictions would affect the area.

Cllr Adamson thanked Sgt Frank and PC Hannan for attending before they left the meeting.

Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Open Forum: No one wished to speak.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Matters arising:

P1094 – Cllr Roberts reported that Mrs A. Dawson is leaving Hambleton CAB.

Cllr Salmon arrived.

P1096 – Planning Application no: 2/99/139/0306G, Cllr Salmon reported that Thirsk Chamber of Trade regretted the support that the Town Council had given to this application. Cllr Salmon had explained that the Town Council represents all the parishioners of Thirsk and therefore has to consider all aspects.

Cllr Hall arrived.

Cllr Roberts pointed out that this application was for the access road and traffic control in the area, which the Town Council had pressed for throughout the whole of the proposed extension of the store. Cllr Roberts said that the Town Council had not been informed of the HDC Planning committee site visit. Cllr Murkett had attended as NYCC representative. Cllr Murkett said that Sowerby PC. had supported the traffic proposals 100%.

P1098 - Cllr Salmon thanked all those who had been involved re the Christmas tree

breaking and the installing of a replacement.

County Council Report: Cllr Murkett had nothing to report.

District Council Report: Cllr Robinson told the meeting that the car used in the filming of All Creatures Great and Small had been purchased for exhibition at The World of James Herriot and is to be installed, by crane, tomorrow. There had been a meeting of HDC Local Planning committee in the town.

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Location: Cedar House, Church View, Thirsk, (TC refused)

Applications:

2/99/139/0306 Prop: Extension to existing Class A1 Store to incorporate additional car parking space as amended by plans received by HDC on 30th November 1999.

Location: Tesco Store, Station Road, Thirsk. (TC approved)

2/99/152/0245P Prop: Construction of boundary fences.

Location: The Darrowby Inn, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr G Jackson. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0245Q Prop: Application for LBC to construct boundary fences. Location: The Darrowby Inn, Market Place, Thirsk. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0352B: Prop: Alterations to existing public house.

Location: Black Lion Public House, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: Enterprise Inns plc. (TC no objections)

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Location: 10 Todd's Court, Thirsk. Applicant: P A Tock (TC refused).

2/99/152/0033F Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats with associated parking facilities as amended by letter and plans received by HDC on 16th December 1999.

Location: Royal Oak Yard, Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: T Watson.

Cllr Roberts explained that there are problems re the access for this application. HDC have been contacted for clarification.

Accounts:

Payment of the following accounts proposed Cllr Morton seconder	d Cllr Murray
agreed.	£ 42.00
J. Jackson, refund, bulbs for Christmas lights	£ 16.45
I. Atkinson, refund, wheel	£ 460.58
Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall, insurance	£ 31.73
Farmway, granules, Playareas	£ 30.00
R.Cowels, paint milestones	£ 35.00
D J Mann, bus shelter window cleaning, 10 weeks	£ 53.39
Quill, stationery	£ 51.68
Quill, surgemaster	£ 121.03
Todd Waste Management, empty skip	£ 6.00
Thirsk Motors, fuel, B. Bd	£ 215.02
S & J Kidson, widen gateway, grass cutting	£ 841.07
Thomas Fattorini Ltd, links mayor's chain	£ 338.40
Bow House Publishing, advert, Come & Stay in Herriot Country	
Power Point Ltd, gloves, oil, digger hire	£ 66.54
C Amy:	c 222 00
Wkly insp. Remove broken branches, spread kerb granules	£ 232.90
Mill gardens, pruning etc, remove dangerous branches	£ 241.50
Whitelass/Holmes repollard, remove rubbish from beck	£ 135.00
Herriot Way/S. Dowber Lane, lay hedge	£ 133.63
Christmas Lights remove fencing	£ 40.00
Shire Park, plant hedge, plants	£ 102.00
Shire Park, labour	£ 120.00
Shire Park, spirals and canes	£ 90.00
J Bell, office rent, 5 weeks	£ 50.00
Petty Cash	£ 50.00
K Dickinson, clean office windows 1 week	£ 2.00
HDC, C. Tax, Cem. Lodge DD	£ 87.00
HDC, C. Tax, office DD	£ 71.00
Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall, room hire	£ 82.50
Paid since last meeting:	
BTCV, path Whitelass/Stockton Road	£1,675.40
Christmas Lights Appeal, donation for banner lights	£ 500.00
Christmas lights Appeal, donation	£ 300.00
Hambleton CAB, donation	£ 500.00

Cemetery:

Approval of the following memorials proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Application to erect a memorial:

Shirley Ann Metcalfe

Allan Shaw

Application for an additional inscription:

Ethel Lorraine Forster.

Correspondence:

YRCC Parish Government Conference 3/5 March - Cllrs Adamson and Roberts to attend on Saturday 4th March.

Thirsk Rotary Club – Details of the route of the bed race to be held during Thirsk Festival 2000, noted.

Tees, East and North Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust – reply stating that during the last 3 months there had been one occasion when the station has been without staff.

Wainhomes (Yorkshire) Ltd. – After discussion it was decided to recommend that The Former Nursery site be named "Nursery Gardens"

Mr F Smith – A complaint re the condition of Ingramgate. After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Murray seconded by Cllr Murkett that a copy of this letter be sent to Mr M Moore, NYCC along with a request for a site meeting.

NYCC, speed limit, York Road.

From tabled correspondence:

Cllr Salmon asked for the letter received from Mr L Twiss re the development of phase 3 of Thirsk Industrial Park to be read to the meeting. Cllr Adamson pointed out that this application was for change of use which the Town Council had supported. Cllr Roberts explained that each site will be applied for individually and decided on its merits. Cllr Salmon proposed Cllr Murkett seconded that HDC should be contacted re protection of the trees and hedges on Sutton Road and York Road, agreed.

Adoption of Town Council Crest: Cllr Adamson showed a sketch done by a sixth form student of the details on the medallion on the mayor's chain. Cllr Roberts said she has a small drawing and Cllr Murkett said he has the original drawing done by Mr Stan Rhodes, which he will bring to the next meeting. Cllr Salmon proposed Cllr Morton seconded that the Town Council adopt the crest, agreed.

Millennium Mugs: Cllr Roberts reported that the school governors of Thirsk Community Primary School were willing to share to cost with the Town Council on a 50/50 basis of the 400 mugs (approx) required. It had also been agreed that the crest of the Town Council should be on one side with the crest of the school on the other. Discussion on distribution of the mugs ended with Cllr Murray proposing that the pupils of Thirsk Community Primary School should each receive a mug seconded Cllr Hall, (7 for, 1 against, 2 abstained), agreed.

Sub Committee Reports:

Thirsk in Bloom Working Party: Cllr Pack asked if anyone had decided to serve on the working party? Cllr Salmon proposed that Cllr Pack could ask 2 interested members of Thirsk community to serve with her, seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed. It was agreed that Cllr Pack along with 2 others should put forward their ideas and plans to the next meeting so that progress could be made with the agreement of the Town Council.

Representatives Reports:

Cllr Salmon reported on the recent meeting of the Chamber of Trade at which it had been decided to have a constitution and that a meeting had been arranged for all organisations in the town to meet to create a calendar of events in the town so that events did not clash.

Cllr Roberts reported that the York and North Yorkshire Playing Fields Assn. at Askham Bryan is now a national project for showing play equipment. The footpath for the disabled had been officially opened recently.

Cllr Murkett reported that he had attended the Annual meeting of NALC at which he had been made vice chairman. Councillors congratulated him.

Members Reports:

Cllr Adamson reported that he had attended the following:

9th January, NYCC Millennium Civic Service and afterwards at County Hall 10th January, chaired Hambleton & Richmondshire Rural Transport meeting, Friends meeting House, Thirsk.

12th January, attended handing over of new minibus for Thirsk.

13th January, attended Best value Performance meeting, NYCC County Hall.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Pack asked if street lighting be extended to the new speed limits in the town? The state of Long St. was causing concern, particularly recent vandalism. Cllr Jackson reported that the sign on the A1 still shows Lightwater Valley instead of Thirsk.

Exclusion of press and public proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Confidential Items:

Burial Board.

Minutes of the meeting held at the Cemetery on 8th December 1999 were circulated to Councillors.

Cllr Salmon declared an interest and moved from the table.

After discussion it was decided that Mr Atkinson should be given 2 months notice of the termination of his employment as Cemetery Superintendent.

Cllr Hall to find out his birth date.

Cllr Adamson to contact YLCA re the termination of employment. It was decided to advertise for a new cemetery supt. In the first week in March.

Town Hall.

Cllr Roberts reported that the Town hall Management Committee had been greatly surprised at the amounts of the tenders received for the refurbishment of the annex. Discussion followed as to how the tenders had been acquired and how the Quantity Surveyors employed by the Consultants had arrived at their estimated cost for the work. Cllr Adamson expressed concern as to whether the Consultants and the Quantity Survey were "working together". Cllr Salmon said that all the points raised were only in the interests of the Town hall Management Committee and that he felt that the Town Council would go along with a cost which it felt was fair.

Thirsk Tewn Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 3rd February 2000 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council, 17th January 1999.
- 3. / Matters Arising.
- 4. / To receive Correspondence
- 5. To receive Sub Committee Reports.
- 6. To receive Other Items of Interest and Information.
- 7. To open the tenders for grasscutting contract, for 2000 season. (Press and public excluded.)

Clerk to the Council.

N B. Mr Keighley, Yorkshire Water will not be attending this meeting.

Minutes of the Amenity Committee Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on Thursday 3rd February 2000 in the Upper Room, Thirsk and Sowerby Town Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Roberts, in the chair, Adamson, Marshall, Morton, Murray, Pack, Robinson and Salmon 2 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Jackson.

Minutes of the previous meeting: Approved at Town Council, 17th January 2000.

Matters Arising:

Advert for small works contractors – is in this week's edition, North Yorkshire News. Thirsk in Bloom Working Party will be given support by Thirsk Chamber of Trade.

Correspondence:

Castlegarth – Grazing Licence for 2000: Details read. Cllr Robinson queried the type and length of the licence. Cllr Adamson explained the situation and why the Town Council had been offered this type of licence. Cllr Robinson doubted if the area could be a poop scoop area when the Town Council only had an annual grazing licence for the area. Cllr Salmon asked that the matter be checked with HDC.

Cllr Murray arrived.

Richmond Forum Street Parking: Invitation to join with Richmond and Northallerton in opposing charges being made for on street parking by NYCC. Cllr Adamson proposed Cllr Salmon seconded that Thirsk should join, agreed. Clerk to inform YLCA so that other councils can be notified.

FWAG information on coming events, noted.

A telephone call from Mr S. Grant, a consultant for National Grid, re attending the next meeting of the Town Council, asking for time (20–30 minutes) before the meeting to brief Councillors as well as time during the meeting to explain to the meeting and the public the timescale of the installation operations planned, show by plans and drawings how the work will be undertaken and the exact route of the line. Question time would also be needed. It was agreed that the Town Council welcomed the idea of such a meeting but the demands made could not be fitted into a Town Council monthly meeting. Mr Grant to be informed. Also a letter to the chairman of National Grid telling him that the Town Council did not appreciate the manner and method of approach used by this consultant.

Yorkshire Water, cancelled visit by Mr Keighley: Mr Keighley had been unwilling to speak to a meeting attended by the public on matters relating to the sewerage problems in this area. It was agreed that Cllr Jackson should put the queries he has raised to Sowerby Parish Council.

The Workhouse Playarea: HDC have asked for the playarea to be inspected by the Town Council before installation of equipment takes place. Cllr Marshall to be asked to visit.

Sub Committee Reports:

Greens and Ingramgate: Cllr Morton said that 2 seats, ordered from Listers, had arrived and have been stored in the office. Prices for fixing the seats to be asked for,

Cllr Morton suggested that response to the advert for contractors might give some suitable persons for the work. Cllr Robinson stated that the office was not a suitable place for the storage of the seats.

Thirsk in Bloom Working Party: Cllr Pack said she now has 2 people willing to serve on this working party with her. Mr Hooker, chairman elect of the Round table and Mrs Brooksbank, a parishioner of Thirsk. Cllr Pack said that the Round Table were also willing to help with some of the work involved with the project. A detailed report will be made at the next Town Council meeting.

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Morton expressed concern about the state of the road surface through the archway to the Royal Oak Yard. Clerk to make enquires as to the ownership. Cllr Roberts reported that the Millgate Picnic area is to have the turf laid soon and opened before the first Bank holiday.

Exclusion of Press and public proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Opening of Grasscutting tenders:

Cllr Roberts opened the tenders which were identified by number only.

Cllr Marshall arrived while the grass cutting tenders were being opened.

After all the tenders were opened it was proposed by Cllr Murray seconded Cllr Adamson and agreed to accept tender no 1 Cllr Roberts informed the meeting that this tender had been submitted by Messrs C E & C M Walker.

Cllr Marshall proposed that the list of persons to whom tender forms were sent be reviewed, seconded Cllr Salmon, agreed. Town Council may even advertise next year.

Cllr Marshall apologised for her late arrival at the meeting and asked to raise an item from matters arising.

Banking of The Cod beck, near Todds Court: Cllr Marshall gave details that are being proposed by HDC to improve this area. The Cod Beck Internal Drainage Board is objecting to the scheme. After hearing how much improvement would be gained by the scheme the Town Council agreed to back the proposals made by HDC. A letter in support of the action proposed by HDC to be given if and when Cllr Marshall deems one necessary.

Cllr Marshall agreed to look at the surface of the Playarea at the Workhouse site.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 21st February 2000 at 7.15pm.

Agend	la.
1.	To receive Apologies for absence.
2.	To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 17 th January 2000
_	To approve Minutes of the Amenity meeting, 3 rd February 2000
3. 🖊	To receive Police Report.
4. 🗸	Open Forum, (15 minutes): Members of the public may raise matters with the Town Council.
5.	To consider Matters Arising from Town Council meeting, 17 th January 2000.
6. /	To receive reports from:
	(a) County Council - b) District Council
7.	To receive Planning Committee report.
8.	To approve accounts for payment.
9.	Approval of exclusive rights and memorials.
10.	To receive Correspondence.
11.	To consider enhancement of Long Street.
12.	To receive reports from:
	(a) Sub Committees (b) Representatives (c) Members
13./	Other Items of Interest and Information.
	Clerk to the Council.

NB. Confidential Item to be discussed at the end of the meeting.

Correspondence List – 21st February 2000.

Matters Arising:

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Granted:

2/99/152/0033F Prop: Construction of a building to comprise 3 self-contained flats with associated parking facilities as amended by letter and plans received by HDC on 1st October and 16th December 1999.

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Applicant: T Watson. (TC approved)

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Applicant: Enterprise Inns plc (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0433A Prop: Ground floor extension to existing dwelling house.

Location: 30 Herriot Way, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Croft (TC approved)

2/99/152/0565D Prop: Revised application for the construction of a detached dwelling

to replace existing as amended by plans received by HDC on 7th January 2000.

Location: Part OS Field 4211 Thirsk Junction, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mr & Mrs A F Calvert (TC approve)

Refused:

2/99/152/0602 Prop: Alterations to existing disused agricultural building for use as a dwelling as amended by plan as received by HDC on 25th November 1999.

Location: Barn adjacent to Spa Farm, Northallerton Road, Thirsk.

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Withdrawn:

2/99/152/0172G Prop: Display of a non-illuminated projecting sign.

Location: 7 Finkle Street, Thirsk.

Applicant: General Accident Property Services (TC approve)

2/99/152/0607 Prop: Alterations to existing workshop buildings for use as 6 dwelling

houses and 2 flats

Location: Masonic Lane Thirsk (TC approve but)

2/00/152/0608 Prop: Layout of land and construction of 14 dwellings and 2 flats and

conversion of existing agricultural buildings to 7 dwellings

Location: Masonic Lane, Thirsk

Applicant: Seegar Homes Ltd (TC approve but)

2/99/152/0583A Prop: Outline application for residential development.

Location: Highways Depot, Norby, Thirsk. Applicant: Highways Agency (TC approve)

Applications:

2/99/009/0094D Prop: Extension to existing distribution warehouse.

Location: RNLI, Thirsk Industrial Park Applicant: RNLI (TC no objections)

2/00/152/0247B Prop: Change of use of existing letter sorting premises to Class A3

food and drink use.

Location: Thirsk LDO, Newsham Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Post office Property Holdings (TC no objections)

2/00/152/0247C Prop: Change of use of existing letter sorting premises to Class A1 retail use.

Location: Thirsk LDO, Newsham Road, Thirsk

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Location: Part OS4211 Field Thirsk Junction, Thirsk Applicant: Mr & Mrs A F Calvert. (TC approve)

2/99/152/0572C Prop: Provision of a new shop front as amended by plans as received by HDC on 20th January 2000.

Location: 52 Market Place, Thirsk.

Applicant: Briggs & Burley (TC approve)

2/99/152/0607 Prop: Alterations to existing workshop buildings for use as 6 dwelling

houses and 2 flats

Location: Masonic Lane, Thirsk.

Applicant: Seegar Homes Ltd (TC approve but)

2/00/152/0608 Prop: Layout of land and construction of 14 dwellings and 2 flats and

conversion of existing disused agricultural buildings to 7 dwellings.

Location: Masonic Lane, Thirsk.

Applicant: Seegar Homes Ltd. (TC approve but)

Accounts:

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BT, extra line	£146.31
The Colour Centre, paint/ brushes E Thirsk	£ 6.47
Sam Turner & Sons Ltd, hay rake	£ 11.66
Gratuity, 1998/99 (clerk)	£400.00
Gratuity, 1999/2000 (clerk)	£434.30
D E Adamson, refund, connect to internet phone exps.	£ 6.97
I Atkinson, Salary Jan 2000, Bacs	£397.87
AM Wilkinson, salary, Jan 2000, Bacs	£596.29

Correspondence:

XIYCC – Speed limits

NYCC Urban White Paper Inquiry – visit

ADC District/Parish Liaison Meeting – 22nd March 2000.

HDC Street naming and numbering.

HDC Parish Council Training – Planning – 16th March

HDC Performance Plan – consultation document.

Sowerby Parish Council

Hambleton and Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership – meeting 29th February 2000.

Priory Publications

York & N. Yorks. Playing fields Assn – Millennium Pageant

YLCA envelope – incl. Village Halls Conference

Cemetery:

Applications to erect a memorial:

Laurence Brown

William Thomas Jackson

Margaret Bendelow

Tabled Correspondence:

Department of the Environment, Transport and the Regions.

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HDC - Precept for 2000/2001

Mrs E Waller

"How to stop and influence Planning Permission"

Objective 2

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Minutes

Mouchel - Roundabout Long St/Stammergate

Tilcon

Action For Market Towns – newsletter

The Dales Connection – bus services

Hileys – 7 The Green

Eccles Heddon – land near E. Thirsk Com. Primary School.

HDC – off street parking, Former Nursery site.

BT - new line

Hambleton, CAB - information.

NYCC – Improving Decision- making and working with local people.

Letters of support for Thirsk in Bloom Working Party.

HDC, Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group

HDC - Business rates

Letter re development near Acres Yard.

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 21st February 2000 at 7.15pm.

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Pack, Roberts Salmon, Sgt. Frank, PC Hannan, 4 members of the public 1 press reporter and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllrs Jackson, Murray and Robinson, accepted.

Minutes:

Town Council, 17th January 2000:

P1101 - change HDC Local Plan sub committee, delete "in the town".

Approval proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Amenities meeting, 3rd February 2000:

Approval proposed Cllr Pack seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Police Report:

Sgt Frank reported that the Neighbourhood Watch scheme in the area had met recently when PC Cawkwell had outlined some new ideas that he hoped would be developed in the near future. Town Council supported any measure that would cut down crime. Cllr Marshall asked why Finkle Street had been closed to traffic on the previous Friday evening; Sgt Frank reported that an incident had occurred there. Cllr Murkett asked if there was anything that could be done about the noise, stereo and exhaust, which occurs regularly in the evenings in the Market Place. Sgt Frank said the Police were very aware of this nuisance to other users and residents of the Market Place but there was very little they could do about it.

Thanks for attendance were expressed to Sgt Frank and PC Hannan before they left the meeting.

Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

Open Forum:

Mrs S. Dodds raised the matter of there being inadequate signage for Westgate and Castlegate. Clerk to contact NYCC Highways to rectify the situation. Mrs Dodds also reported that light no: 5 was still out in Kirkgate; Cllr Murkett to report this when next at County Hall.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Salmon seconded Cllr Morton, agreed.

Matters Arising from Town Council meeting, 17th January 2000:

P1102 – Cllr Marshall pleased to see the painting of the mile stone signs had been completed.

P1103 – Letter has been sent to NYCC, and copy of letter from Mr Smith, re condition of land on the north side of Ingramgate.

Cllr Marshall asked if the Millennium mugs had been ordered; Cllr Roberts is waiting for a further quote.

County Councillors Report: Cllr Murkett expressed disgust at the length of time being taken by the contractors undertaking the work to make the roundabout at Long

Street/Stammergate junction permanent. Cllr Hall asked if NYCC used penalty clauses in contracts issued for such work; Cllr Murkett said NYCC did and the money raised by such means went back into NYCC funds. Cllr Roberts raised the question of safety at this junction as it caused confusion as to who has the right of way. Cllr Marshall suggested the speed of traffic approaching the roundabout along Stockton Road was probably to blame but that a true assessment could only be made on completion of the work.

District Councillors Report: Cllr Marshall reported that the amount that Council Tax for the year 2000/2001 is still to be agreed by HDC. Provision for concessionary fares, which should operate throughout the whole of Hambleton District, has not been made in their budget. The political structure of HDC (leaning to cabinet system, no elected mayor, i.e. as NYCC) is progressing forward. The need for a HDC office in the town was raised again. Cllr Murkett seconded the need for a "one stop shop" idea (NYCC, HDC, Police, TC etc getting together and being a useful point of contact). Cllr Pack proposed and Cllr Salmon seconded that a letter be sent to the Chief Executive HDC asking that these suggestions made by Cllr Marshall be given serious consideration, agreed.

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BT, extra line The Galacte Control point/ brushes E Thirsk	£ 6.47
The Colour Centre, paint/ brushes E Thirsk	£ 11.66
Sam Turner & Sons Ltd, hay rake	£400.00
Gratuity, 1998/99 (clerk)	£434.30
Gratuity, 1999/2000 (clerk)	£ 6.97
D E Adamson, refund, connect to internet phone exps.	
I Atkinson, Salary Jan 2000, Bacs	£397.87
AM Wilkinson, salary, Jan 2000, Bacs	£596.29

Correspondence:

NYCC - Speed limits, details noted.

NYCC Urban White Paper Inquiry – details of the visit of a Parliamentary Select Committee to Thirsk, 4th April 2000, agreed one member of the Town Council attends.

HDC District/Parish Liaison Meeting – 22nd March 2000: change of date noted.

HDC Street naming and numbering – numbering Nursery Gardens, noted.

HDC Parish Council Training – Planning – 16th March: 4 Councillors agreed to go. NYCC Performance Plan - consultation document - questionnaires collected for

posting.

Sowerby Parish Council – letter re noise levels on A168 Thirsk Bypass: Problems with noise from traffic experienced in east Thirsk, trees should have been planted, concrete surface should be replaced particularly as the amount of traffic has increased. Cllr Salmon proposed Cllr Murkett seconded that the Town Council support Sowerby Parish Council by sending a letter to the Highways Agency expressing the problems being experienced in East Thirsk.

Hambleton and Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership – meeting 29th February

2000 - Cllr Adamson and Cllr Pack may attend.

Priory Publications, advert in North York Moors National Park Summer Events programme 2000 - decided not to put an advert in this year, proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

York & N. Yorks. Playing fields Assn – Millennium Pageant, 9th July 2000 – noted. YLCA envelope – incl. Village Halls Conference, 29th April – Cllr Roberts took

details etc.

From Tabled Correspondence:

Hileys - Cllr Marshall asked that Mr M Armstrong be consulted re letter from Hileys concerning access and maintenance on St James Green.

Long Street, enhancement: Cllr Marshall proposed Cllr Adamson seconded that HDC and NYCC be asked to work together with the Town Council on a scheme to improve and enhance the area. Cllr Hall complained that the number of signs in Long Street is increasing.

Cemetery:

Approval of the following applications proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Adamson,

Applications to erect a memorial:

Laurence Brown William Thomas Jackson Margaret Bendelow

Sub Committee Reports:

Thirsk in Bloom Working Party: Cllr Pack reported that Mrs Hillary Clough-Smith HDC had recommended to the Thirsk in Bloom Working Party that Thirsk should enter the Yorkshire in Bloom Competition this year and also holds an open meeting with a speaker from Yorkshire in Bloom. Cllr Marshall proposed Cllr Salmon seconded that the Thirsk in Bloom Party should go ahead with the open meeting, agreed.

Representatives Reports:

Cllr Murkett reported that he is now LCA vice chairman.

Cllr Roberts reported that Hambleton Cab had a new organiser, M/S Carole Barnes. Cllr Salmon reported that he had attended the recent Chamber of Trade meeting. The "Claiming dates" committee is to meet regularly and produce a newssheet and dates for display. The constitution of the Chamber of Trade is being reviewed. Cllr Marshall had attended the AGM of East Thirsk Community Association, for which she is the chairman, and reported the need for a secretary/treasurer. The mosaic for the Millennium Green is now finished. On 25/26th March 2000 digging out on the site will take place followed by the burying of the time capsule before the installation of the mosaic. Cllr Marshall had attended the Thirsk Conservation Area Advisory Group meeting site visit to Long Street re the boundaries of the conservation area.

Members Reports:

Cllr Salmon expressed his concern re the number of stalls that attend Thirsk on Market days. Cllr Marshall to request further information from HDC. Cllr Marshall reported on the way Thirsk had been reduced to having one fire engine.

Other Items of Interest & Information:

Cllr Adamson gave details of the meeting arranged by National Grid on 15th March 2000 in Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.15 pm for Town Councillors, members of the public at 7.45pm.

Cllr Roberts gave notice of the Civic Society AGM on 1st March 2000 in the Golden Fleece at 7.00pm.

Confidential Items:

Exclusion of the press and public proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

P1105; approval proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Town Hall.

The Town Council have received a draft Letter of Intent from the Town Hall Committee that requires the Town Council to agree to certain terms and conditions. Discussion ended with Cllr Marshall suggesting that Mr M Armstrong, Eccles Heddon should be asked for his views on the matter before a decision is taken, agreed.

Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

Proposed removal of kerbstones at the Cemetery.

Cllr Hall said adverts were to be put in North Yorkshire News and the Darlington & Stockton Times. Cllr Murkett asked that notices to be put on notice boards in Thirsk. A plan of the graves involved is at the office for inspection if required.

Cllr Salmon declared an interest in the next item and left the meeting.

Cemetery Superintendent.

Cllr Hall reported on the letter sent to Mr I. Atkinson, cemetery superintendent telling of his retirement. Cllr Adamson explained that the Town Council does not have a gratuity fund for Mr Atkinson, but will look into the situation.

The meeting closed at 9.55pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of the Amenity Committee of Thirsk Town Council will be held in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Thursday 2nd March 2000 at 7.30pm

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence
- 2. Minutes, approved at Town Council, 21st February 2000.
- 3. Matters arising from minutes of meeting held on 3rd February 2000
- 4. To receive correspondence.
- 5. To receive report on seat repair/painting.
- 6. To receive sub committee reports
- 7. To receive other items of interest and information.

Mrs. A M Wilkinson.

Clerk to the Council.

Minutes of the Amenity Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on Thursday 2nd March 2000 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs Roberts, in the chair, Marshall, Pack, Robinson, Salmon, 1 press reporter, 1 member of the public and the clerk.

Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Adamson, Jackson and Murray.

Minutes of the previous meeting: approved at Town Council, 21st February 2000.

Cllr Salmon asked permission for a matter he would have raised in "Any Other Business" to be discussed now, as he would be leaving the meeting early in order to attend another meeting. Councillors agreed.

Cllr Salmon had been asked by The Rotary Club of Thirsk to approach the Town Council on the matter of hosting the Thirsk Festival details on the Council's website. Discussion followed ending with Cllr Salmon proposing "that the Town Council allow The Rotary Club of Thirsk a page on the Town Council website" be put on the agenda of the next Town Council meeting, agreed.

Matters Arising:

Millgate Picnic Area – Turf is being laid on the area and shrubs and bushes have been removed after planting. Cllr Marshall asked when does the Town Council formally take over the area? Clerk to consult Mr D. Gardiner. 13 (4) or Proposals by HDC to improve The Cod Beck near Todds Court – letter from the Town Council backing the proposals has been sent.

Correspondence:

HDC Planning Dept – re pollarding of trees on The Homes: Copy of letter sent to Mr C Amy giving permission for the work but also expressing concern about the amount of tree removal on the area, noted.

NYCC, Mr M Roberts – acknowledging the arrangements made re maintenance and grass cutting, Ingramgate, Stockton Road and near the White Mare Roundabout.

Seat repairs and maintenance: Clerk reported that K. T. H. had finished the work. On inspection the clerk found the work to be unsatisfactory. A detailed list of the shortfall in both repairs and painting etc which had been sent to K.T. H. and is now waiting for the remedial work to be completed.

Sub Committee Reports:

Cllr Marshall reported there is a lack of hedge along by The Cod Beck in Carrs Field and suggested that a letter be sent to the Carrs Field. Ethel Johnson Bequest Trust expressing concern. The cost of any fencing wall need to be borne by the Council. Letters to be sent to Mr P Penny NYCC and The Cod Beck Drainage Board informing them that the path is being eroded by the water and needs attention. Playareas: Cllr Marshall requested up to date catalogues from play equipment suppliers. Details of a course, being run by HDC, on the Running of Playareas to be asked for. Prices of chippings for Playareas to be got.

Cllr Salmon left the meeting.

Cllr Robinson reported that the Market Place and Mill Gardens Committee is to hold a meeting shortly.

Cllr Pack reported that she had entered the town in the Yorkshire in Bloom competition. An open meeting with a speaker from Yorkshire in Bloom is to be arranged soon. Discussion followed on areas of the town needing special attention and suggestions of useful contacts to help given. The cleanliness of the barrow in use by the HDC cleaner in the town is causing concern. A request for it to be cleaned to go to HDC. It was reported that some of the bins in the town are becoming rather tatty

Other Items of Interest and Information:

Cllr Marshall reported that the bollard at the beginning of Kirkgate had been damaged.

Cllr Robinson asked if the Town Council had received details of the conference on tourism being held in The Golden Fleece on 21st March 2000?

Cllr Robinson reported there had some damage had been done by a vehicle from the Internal Drainage whilst clearing rubbish from the beck, agreed that the area needs attention and fencing, Cllr Marshall to visit the area and report.

Cllr Pack reported that a litter pick is necessary in the town. A dog bin is necessary near Barleys Yard.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

Thirsk Town Council

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 20TH MARCH 2000 IN THE UPPER ROOM, THIRSK & SOWERBY TOWN HALL AT 7.00PM.

Agenda:

- 1. To receive Apologies for Absence.
- 2. To receive Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 15th March 1999.
- 3 To receive the Chairman's Report.
- 4. To receive contributions from the electors of the Parish.
- 5. / Other Items of Interest and Information.

Clerk to the Council.

Thirsk Town Council

Chairman's Annual Report 20th March 2000

New Council:- No elections, yet again

Castlegarth: - Council took over running on a license

<u>Herriot Centre</u>:- Official opening with the Wight & Sinclair families in attendance and a fine reception after the opening

<u>Thirsk Festival</u>:- The first, and very successful, this continued the cooperation and friendship between Thirsk Rotary Club and the Town Council, to be continued on Thursday when I dine with them

<u>Millgate Picnic Area</u>:- Handing over 13th April 2000, another fine example of the public spiritedness of Thirsk Rotary Club and a fine gesture by Mr William Calvert, who donated the land and Yorventure who provided the funding. Yes I dine with them again

<u>The Holmes</u>:- Trees devastated by disease, could take many years to fully recover

<u>Amenities Meetings</u>: - Moved out of office due to (1) lack of space and (2) not suitable for public attendance

<u>Open Forum</u>:- Introduction into council business, another step forward in the continued openness of this council

NYCC (Thirsk):- Mike Woods retired and Mike Roberts took over, council met with Mr Roberts

Race Day Drinking:- Introduction of new code, good example of close working between the town council, licensed traders and the police

<u>Industrial Estate</u>:- Phase 3 and 1st planning application, seems ironic that the proposed phase two was seen by this council as not needed because phase one not filled up at the time

Pickering Town Council: Visit by (no committees) must do return visit

Town Council Meetings: - Cut by 15 minutes (although of late

Clerk to the Council: Mrs. A. M. Wilkinson.
Councillors: D. E. Adamson, R. S. Hall, J. E. Jackson, Miss J. Marshall,
A. J. Morton, D. S. Murkett, G. O. Murray, Mrs. C. M. Pack,
Mrs. F. M. Roberts, A. Robinson, J. M. Salmon.

confidential business has not allowed much difference)

Royal Air Forces Association:- Celebrated 50th anniversary with a church service and reception afterwards

RAF Leeming:-The spirit of friendship and close ties continued with the arrival of the new Stn Cdr, Gp Capt John Cliffe, an official visit by the mayors of towns within the Hambleton District, this will continue on 30th at a reception in the Officers Mess.

RAF Linton-on-Ouse:- New friendships were formed between this council and the Stn. Cdr. Gp. Capt Glenn Edge and his wife Carol, yes another meal

<u>Thirsk Chamber of Trade</u>:- We continue to work closely with the chamber and this year helped to enhance the xmas lights display

Codbeck:- During the year HDC was approached re Todds Yard river bank not being finished per the planning application, we also raised the subject of silting under the bridges, this was raised 15/7/91 by the late Bert Craig, I doubt if anything was done then either.

Not yet happened:- Town Hall still hasn't got its new annexe, first discussed 15th June 1987 at a cost of circa £20,000, and the council still hasn't got a new office, two things to look forwards to in the forth coming council year

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 20th March 2000 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Pack, Roberts, Robinson, Salmon, 1 press reporter, 3 public and the clerk.

Apologies: none.

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15th March 1999: approval proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Chairman's Report: (Copy of report in full on file) Cllr Adamson gave a summary of the year. He itemized 3 "firsts" that had happened, the opening of The World of James Herriot", Thirsk Festival and the creation of Millgate Picnic Area which was made possible by the generosity of Mr William Calvert and the public spiritedness of the Rotary Club of Thirsk. A new term of office for Town Councillors had begun during the year, no elections yet again! Cooperation between Thirsk Chamber of Trade and the Licensed Traders continues for the benefit of the town. The Town Council is still looking for improvement in condition of The Cod Beck; hopefully this will be achieved soon along with a new annex at the Town Hall and a new Town Council office.

Cllr Robinson arrived during the Chairman's report.

From the Electors of the Parish:

Mr R. Horner expressed views regarding the possible removal of some kerbstones in the older part of the cemetery. He outlined possible problems that could occur if the kerbs were removed. Cllr Hall replied that suitable arrangements would be made with relatives, who had raised objections, if it was decided to go ahead with any removals. Cllr Adamson explained that all aspects would be looked into and that the whole matter was still open to discussion. Some Councillors felt that the advert had been rather misleading and therefore was open to misinterpretation.

Cllr Salmon arrived while Mr Horner was speaking.

Mrs. K Reynard said she was pleased with the work which had been carried out by HDC in Millgate car park tidying up and trimming the shrubs and bushes but requested that the empty spaces left for various reasons be filled with new shrubs, perhaps flowering of different species to those already there. The gravel left near the CCTV camera would be better removed and the area made tidy again.

Other Items of Interest and Information: none.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.

Thirsk Town Council

A meeting of Thirsk Town Council for the transaction of annexed business will be held in the Upper Room Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall on Monday 20th March 2000 after the Annual Parish Meeting which begins at 7.00pm.

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Agenda:	
1.	To receive Apologies for Absence.
2./	To approve Minutes of the previous Council meeting, 21 st February 2000.
	To approve minutes of the Amenity meeting held on 2 nd March 2000.
3.	To receive Police Report.
4. 🖊	Open Forum (15 minutes): Members of the public may raise matters with the Town Council.
5.	To consider Matters Arising from Town Council meeting, 21 st February 2000.
6.	To receive reports from:
	(a) County Council (b) District Council.
7.	To receive Planning Committee report.
8.	To approve accounts for payment.
9.	Approval of exclusive rights and memorials.
10.	To receive Correspondence.
11.	To consider proposal "That the Town Council allow The Rotary Club of Thirsk a page on the Town Council website": -
12.	To decide the date of the Town Council meeting in December 2000.
13.	To receive reports from:
	(a) Sub committees b) Representatives (c) Members.
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	Clerk to the Council.

NB. Confidential Items to be discussed at the end of the meeting.

Correspondence List – 20th March 2000.

Matters Arising:

Planning Report:

Granted:

2/99/152/0018A Prop: Alterations to existing first floor offices to provide replacement windows and fire escape door as amended by letter received by HDC on 7th March

Location: 8 Castlegate

Applicant: IS Mellors. (TC approved)

2/00/152/0247B Prop: Change of use of existing letter sorting premises to Class A3 food and drink use as amended by letter and plan as received by HDC on 14th

February 2000.

Location: Thirsk LDO Newsham Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Post Office Property Holdings (TC no objections)

2/00/152/0247C Prop: Change of use of existing letter sorting premises to Class 1

retail use.

Location: Thirsk LDO Newsham Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Post Office Property Holdings. (TC no objections)

2/99/152/0606 prop: Construction of a domestic double garage to replace two existing

garages.

Location: 3 The Crescent, Thirsk.

Applicant: Dr & Mrs U.T. Place. (TC no objections)

Applications:

2/00/009/0193 prop: Layout of land and construction of a building to provide office accommodation with associated facilities.

Location: Thirsk Industrial Park, York Road, Thirsk.

Applicant: Severfield Reeve Projects Ltd. (TC no objections)

2/00/152/0582B Prop: Removal of condition 4(Ref: 2/99/152/0583A) to permit the

provision of a replacement hedge and screen fence.

Location: Former Gas Station, Long St, Thirsk.

Applicant: Persimmon Homes (York) Ltd. (TC refused, but found hedge had in fact

already gone! TC furious)

2/99/152/0606 Prop: Construction of a domestic garage to replace 2 existing garages.

Location: 3 The Crescent, Thirsk

Applicant: Dr & Mrs U.T.Place (TC no objections)

2/00/152/0609 Prop: Installation of replacement windows.

Location: 3 Brewers Court, Thirsk. Applicant: Mrs Swinhoe (TC refused)

2/00/152/0610 Prop: Installation of replacement windows.

Location: 6 Brewers Court, Thirsk.

Applicant: Mrs Cartwright-Terry. (TC refused) 2/00/152/0611 Prop: Construction of a polytunnel. Location: Hollin Barn Cottage, Sutton Road, Thirsk

Applicant: C Harvey (TC queried)

Accounts:

William Potts & Sons clock maintenance Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall, room hire

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Ackrill, advert		36.36
D.J Mann, clean bus shelter windows		28.00
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I Atkinson, phone rental B Bd		27.77
Yorkshire Water, Cem Lodge, water		28.96
Yorkshire Water, office, water		20.00
B T, phone, office		52.77
Playdale, re-site Tothill, Shire Park		93.75
Fox's Copy Centre, photocopy stationery etc		32.92
NewsQuest, advert D/S Times		91.27
Quill, stationery		18.60
K Dickinson, clean office windows 3 wks	£	6.00
J Bell, office rent, 4 wks		4 0.00
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I Atkinson, Cem Supt, salary (Feb)		81.87
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Paid since last meeting:	c 1	14.00
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HDC, Playground course	£	2.00

Memorials:

/Application for an additional inscription:

Doris Ginnetty

Applications to erect a memorial:

George William Robinson

Tracey Ann Jewitt

Fredrick Victor Bailey

Correspondence:

DETR, Electoral Review.

Thirsk Detached Youth Project

Eccles Heddon, St James Green
MYCC, 2000/2001 maintenance programme
NYCC, Urban White Paper Inquiry
HDC Liaison meeting, 22nd March 2000-03-20

Brownill Vickers, transfer of licence

Dibb Lupton Alsop, transfer of licence

Johnsons, transfer of licence

Tabled Correspondence:

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall, minutes
Eccles Heddon, Millgate Picnic Area
HDC, Street collection permits
HDC, Thirsk Conservation Area Group
HDC, Business Rates, revaluation 2000.
Action for Market Towns, info
YRCC, info (incl. Village Halls Conference)
E.D Wood Ltd
Carers Link, Feb. 2000.
Potts, annual clock maintenance.
Edge Designs
Objective 2, N. Yorkshire Update
Clerks & Councils Direct
Presco.
Wheely Bin Lock
Aichess print Direct

P1112

Minutes of the meeting of Thirsk Town Council held on Monday 20th March 2000 in the Upper Room, Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall after the Annual Parish meeting.

Present: Clirs Adamson, in the chair, Hall, Marshall, Morton, Murkett, Murray, Pack, Roberts, Robinson, Salmon, 1 press reporter, 2 members of the public and the clerk.

Apologies: Cllr Jackson.

Minutes:

Town Council, 21st February 2000:

Approval proposed Cllr Murkett seconded Cllr Pack, agreed.

Amenities meeting, 2nd March 2000:

P1 Cllr Marshall said, "turf had been laid and removed" delete "turf is being laid on the area and shrubs and bushes have been removed after planting.

Cllr Salmon objected to the wording of the proposal he made for the Town Council agenda. The proposal should read "To consider that the Town Council places on a host website, using its own domain name on a host server, the costs of locating the website on a host server will be investigated and reported for decision. Secondly that the Town Council will be willing for Thirsk Festival to have pages on its website or be linked to the site." A draft design will be presented.

Approval proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Roberts, agreed.

Police Report: Apologies were given at the last Town Council.

Cllr Murkett raised the matter re numbers of officers for Thirsk and district should be 16 but are operating with only 8 due to sickness, holidays, courses etc. It was decided to send a letter of deep concern to the Chief Constable of North Yorkshire Police and Lady Anne Harris, chairman, North Yorkshire Police Authority.

Open Forum: Suspension of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Morton seconded Cllr Marshall, agreed.

No one wished to speak.

Resumption of Standing Orders proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Pack, agreed.

Matters Arising:

P1106: Cllr Murkett had reported lights off; repairs had been carried out but were now out again. Signage for Castlegate and Westgate has been requested.

Cllr Marshall requested that NYCC be phoned for a response to the problem of potholes in Ingramgate near The Crescent.

P1107: Reply to the request for a "one stop shop" to made to NYCC and HDC.

P1108: Cllr Salmon asked if Tesco had been informed of the heritage of Castlegarth. Tesco have been notified.

P1109: Response to letter backing Sowerby Parish Council on the problem of noise from the bypass to be requested.

P1110: Cllr Marshall asked if any response had been received re the possible enhancement of Long Street, none to date.

County Council Report:

Cllr Murkett said he had nothing further to report. Cllr Hall asked if National Grid had

put forward any solutions to the traffic problems that are likely to occur at Plump Bank during the pylon installations. Cllr Murkett reported that NYCC and National Grid were having discussions on the matter and NYCC are objecting to the plans that are before HDC Planning committee later in the week. Cllr Murray said that there is a pipeline crossing the road to Sutton under Whitestonecliffe at the moment and already causing problems and a 24hour survey would give an accurate picture of the situation. Cllr Roberts felt that any figures quoted by National grid were open to question after the vague projected figures on trees and traffic given at the recent meeting in the Town Hall.

District Councillors Report:

Cllr Marshall reported on a meeting of the HDC Leisure Committee, the method of issuing grants has been reviewed, information to be sent by HDC shortly. Details of restructuring of HDC will be issued soon. There has already been some interest shown in the purchasing of sites on Phase 3 on Thirsk Industrial Park. Barriers at Millgate Car Park are to stay open and will be reviewed again in 2001. Signage around the Market Place is being reviewed; one sign with all the information that is now on 3 or 4 will be tidier and clearer. Discussion took place on the new "cabinet" system being introduced at HDC. Cllr Murray felt that new councillors will not get much chance to speak and that officers will have too much power. Cllr Marshall said that information on the role of "back benchers" had not been clearly defined. Cllr Robinson thought the scrutiny committees will be after the event and therefore rather pointless. Cllr Marshall said that there was a possibility that HDC may be forced into the situation of holding a referendum as to which system is to be used.

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Cllr Roberts raised the matter of the hedge having already been removed by Persimmon Homes on the Long Street site. Cllr Marshall requested that a letter be sent to HDC strongly opposing this action and asking for some sort of disciplinary action against Persimmon Homes as well as enforcement re replacement hedging and fencing of better quality than had been used on the previous Persimmon site. Cllr Adamson said the fines for removal of trees and hedges are insignificant to developers. Cllr Salmon asked that a letter also be sent to the Secretary of State. Cllr Murkett proposed Cllr Adamson seconded that a letter be sent to Mr S Quartermaine asking that in future planning applications which include hedge or tree removal be put before the planning committee for a decision. Cllr Robinson to ask at HDC Planning meeting on Thursday what action is being taken by HDC.

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B T, phone, office Playdale, re-site Tothill, Shire Park Fox's Copy Centre, photocopy stationery etc NewsQuest, advert D/S Times Quill, stationery K Dickinson, clean office windows 3 wks J Bell, office rent, 4 wks Petty cash, Barclays Bank, BACS charges DD I Atkinson, Cem Supt, salary (Feb)	£ 152.77 £ 293.75 £ 232.92 £ 91.27 £ 18.60 £ 6.00 £ 50.00 £ 50.00 £ 7.50 £ 481.87
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Paid since last meeting:	
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Cllr Salmon objected to the new business rate, which will be charged for the office from 1st April. Discussion followed, Cllr Salmon proposed Cllr Marshall seconded that the Town Council should appeal against the increase (4 for 4 against 1 abstain, chairman used his casting vote, against)

Memorials:

Approval of the following proposed Cllr Hall seconded Cllr Adamson, agreed.

Application for an additional inscription:

Doris Ginnetty

Applications to erect a memorial:

George William Robinson

Tracey Ann Jewitt

Fredrick Victor Bailey

Correspondence:

DETR, Electoral Review, acknowledgement of Town Council views.

Thirsk Detached Youth Project, letter from chairman, discussion of the benefits and financial needs followed. Cllr Salmon suggested that the Town Council supported the scheme with financial help of £5,000 each for the next 3 years. Cllr Marshall explained that all charities and businesses in the area had received the same letter. Cllr Hall felt that the initial enthusiasm had diminished. Cllr Murkett proposed that the Town Council are mindful to support the project to the amount of £5,000 if community support is also forthcoming. Cllr Salmon agreed that the money should not be given until further support had been received.

Eccles Heddon, St James Green, letter from Mr Armstrong read which outlines the position of the Town Council re occupiers of dwelling on St James Green, noted. NYCC, 2000/2001 maintenance programme in Kirkgate and Millgate, noted. NYCC, Urban White Paper Inquiry, Select Committee visit 4th April 2000, The Golden Fleece, Thirsk at 4.00pm – Cllr Adamson agreed to represent the Town Council.

HDC Liaison meeting, 22nd March 2000-03-20 Civic Centre, Northallerton. – Cllrs Adamson and Roberts to attend. Cllr Murkett will be attending.

The following transfer of Licences was approved. The new licensee to be recommended to attend suitable course.

Brownill Vickers, transfer of licence

Dibb Lupton Alsop, transfer of licence

Johnsons, transfer of licence

Proposal "that the Town Council allow The Rotary Club of Thirsk a page on the Town Council website"

Cllr Salmon explained in detail his proposal. Cllr Salmon has been approached by a representative of the Darlington & Stockton Times who put forward a project that is being complied by them the Internet which will include market towns in the area. Cllr Salmon assured Councillors that by joining into this project the Town Council would still have pages and would also be providing links for others to make use of in Thirsk. Cllr Roberts proposed that Cllr Adamson and Cllr Salmon should meet and compile a simple plan and costing which they would put before Councillors at the next Amenity meeting seconded Cllr Murray, agreed.

December meeting:

Councillors agreed that the meeting for December 2000 should be held on the 11th December 2000.

Sub Committee Reports:

Cllr Pack reported on progress that is being made with the Yorkshire in Bloom project. The first judging of the town will take place on 5th April at 1.00pm. Thirsk Chamber of Trade Ladies section are to have a representative from Yorkshire in Bloom to speak at their next meeting. An extra cleaner from HDC has been arranged for the judging day.

Cllr Marshall reported that she had visited the Jungle Field to make an assessment of what is needed there, to be discussed in full at the next amenities meeting.

Representatives:

Cllr Murkett had attended the YRCC Conference.

Cllr Salmon had not been able to attend the last meeting of the Community Care Association.

Cllr Salmon had studied the details of stalls attending Thirsk Market and reported that casual use was in serious decline. Cllr Marshall suggested that the car boot sales were probably to reason for this decline. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to NYCC trading standards expressing concern.

Cllr Roberts had attended the recent YRCC conference and felt valuable time was wasted; more workshops could easily have been fitted into the programme.

Suspension of standing orders for 10 minutes proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Pack, agreed.

Members Reports:

Cllr Adamson had attended YRCC conference and also felt time could be better spent and that some of the workshops were rather poor and has attended a dinner at RAF Linton on behalf of the council.

Cllr Roberts thought that it was irresponsible of the Drainage Board to allow a man to work alone in The Cod Beck, a letter of concern to be sent to The Cod Beck Drainage Board.

Cllr Marshall thinks the Guide to Thirsk on the Internet is derogatory and asked for a printout.

Exclusion of the press and public for a confidential item proposed Cllr Marshall seconded Cllr Adamson agreed.

Confidential items.

Minutes of the previous confidential items proposed Cllr Roberts seconded Cllr Hall, agreed.

Detached Youth Worker Project:

Cllr Marshall reported that the slow progress had been due to the leaders of the project. No real details as to why there had been the delay had been given.

Matters arising:

Kerbstones: Cllr Marshall reported that she had been telephoned by Mr Horner re the kerbstones but that she had refused to discuss some of the statements he had made which concerned Mr Atkinson with him.

Cllr Salmon left the meeting.

Cllr Hall reported that 6 letters of objection had been received. After discussion re the problem of the kerbs it was proposed by Cllr Marshall that legal advice is necessary to make sure the Town Council are correct in any action that is taken. Cllr Adamson explained that advice had already been asked for.