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**MINUTES OF BEWERLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD MONDAY 21st June 21
at Colbeck House, New Church Street, Pateley Bridge.**

Present: Cllr. G. Spooner (Chair) Cllr. D. Marshall (Vice-Chair)
Cllr. S. Langley Cllr. M Dawson
Cllr. J. Wardman NYCC Cllr S. Lumley
T Dawson (Clerk) Dr J Shillcock

1.	Apologies were received from Cllr. R. Newson-Smith and Cllr. A. Murday
2	No Declarations of Interest received.
3	Dr J Shillcock, Gouthwaite Board of Management and President Nidderdale Angling Club gave a report to the Parish Council about the Category 1 incident declared by the Environment Agency at Gouthwaite Reservoir on 4th June 2021. Report can be viewed at www.bewerleyparishcouncil.gov.uk No parishioners were present.
4	Cllr Wardman proposed the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting held on 26th April 2021 and the Annual Meeting held on 21 May 2021 be confirmed, seconded Cllr Marshall, carried.
5	Clerk's report to Bewerley Parish Council meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clerk has asked Cllr Lumley to arrange for the latest application form for the 2021/22 Locality Grant to be sent to enable the costs of purchase of new Pateley Bridge signs on Low Wath Road and the B6265 to be claimed.• Clerk has invited parishioners of Greenhow to provide information regarding speeding concerns so that a speeding concern form can be populated and sent to North Yorkshire Police 95 Alive.• The replacement stone on the bridge has now been redressed so that it better matches the others.• A response from Planning Enforcement at NYCC has been obtained regarding the excavation works on Greenhow Hill (HBC ref: 20/00237/PR15 Land Comprising Field At 412977 464497 Bewerley) which raises the following question "I should be grateful if you, or one of your Parish Councillors, would confirm that this is the sole field still currently involved with this activity, or whether since last year the activity has spread to any other fields? Furthermore, if material is leaving the field does anyone know where it is being taken? If possible, please would someone indicate the location of the excavation and any hardstanding area that has been created, and also any other land affected, on a copy of the attached plan? Furthermore, if anyone knows whether this landforms part of a larger landholding and who is the owner, please would they give you the information to pass on, or phone me on the number given at the end of this email." <i>Cllr Langley advised that residents at nearby farms were concerned about run-off onto their properties as a result of the excavations. RESOLVED: Cllrs Spooner and Langley to obtain further information and provide to the Clerk to enable her to respond to the NYCC query.</i>• Clerk's application to The Woodland Trust for a free Small Hedge (30 saplings) pack has been successful and the saplings will be delivered to the parish caretaker in November. It would be good to

	<p>organise a Greenhow community event for the planting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The sandbag store at the Auction Mart has now been made stable and sited on a more suitable base. • Cllr Wardman brought concerns regarding the bridge at Rash Dyke to the attention of the Clerk. The caretaker has inspected the bridge and advises there is a crack in the centre top stone on the footpath side, which may be the result of damage from a past car accident. The stones are solid and not loose, but he recommends it will best have a look once or twice a year. • Following a parishioner report, the broken tarmac by the pedestrian crossing at the entrance to the Recreation Ground and by the side of the Youth Shelter and ramp to the footpath were reported to Highways. The tarmac parallel to the B6265 at the crossing has been repaired, but repairs to the ramp remain outstanding. • Following another parishioner report, the dead tree along the riverside footpath on the recreation ground was reported to Harrogate Borough Council Parks and Environmental Services. RESOLVED: <i>Clerk to chase HBC as tree has not yet been removed.</i> • BT have finally agreed to refurbish the telephone kiosk at Greenhow.
6	<p>NYCC Cllr Lumley reported that he and his colleagues are still working remotely, and the Executive has been given powers to make decisions once members have given their recommendations. He has received no feedback to date from the Highways Divn about the most recent survey at Red Brae Bank on B6265. He noted the NYCC Highways and Transportation Teckal letter and said it is hoped that bringing the service in-house will result in improved responses to local concerns and issues. He is meeting with Highways again this week to look at the repair to the top stone on the bridge across the river at Pateley as recent attempts to make the stone blend in with its 200 year old neighbours have not been wholly successful. Cllr Spooner asked if any update was available regarding Turner Bridge repairs but was advised no new information has been received.</p> <p>HBC Cllr Lumley reported that the first face-to-face cabinet meetings had been held and the Council is looking forward to the lifting of lockdown restrictions. He was very pleased to note how much people are using the new goal posts and nets in the Recreation Ground. RESOLVED: <i>Clerk to send letter of thanks to HBC Parks and Playgrounds.</i> Cllr Wardman asked about the broken tarmac along the path by the Youth Shelter. The Clerk advised that she had reported it to NYCC on the Parish Portal, but Cllr Lumley advised this should have been reported to HBC. RESOLVED: <i>Clerk to report issue to HBC Parks and Playgrounds.</i> Cllr Wardman mentioned ongoing concerns with the footpath and bridge at Rash Dyke. Clerk advised that she had previously reported the collapsed footpath to NYCC and the caretaker had inspected the bridge and recommended checking it every 6 months. The Council noted that Bewerley Park Outdoor Education Centre was once again receiving day visitors from North Yorkshire schools.</p>
7	<p>The Council noted the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) 21/01214/FUL Retrospective application for alterations to the approved outbuilding under 17/04808/FUL (erection of porch, carport and domestic store and demolition of existing shed). 3 Holly Court Bewerley HG3 5HY. <i>Harrogate Borough Council have resolved to GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS.</i> b) Planning Enforcement Bewerley Grange Chapel c) 21/01910/DVCON Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of Planning Permission 20/00267/TDCMIN - Technical Details Consent following granting of Permission in Principle 19/00293/PIP -Permission in Principle for the erection of up to 3 dwellings to allow for amendments to the fenestration and installation of solar panels to Plot 3 Cliphorne Bridgehouse Gate HG3 5HQ. <i>Harrogate Borough Council have resolved to GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS.</i> d) 20/04204/FUL Conversion and extension of outbuilding to form 1 no. residential dwelling (C3 use class), to also include alterations to fenestration. High Farside Farmhouse Greenhow Hill HG3 5JL. <i>Harrogate Borough Council have resolved to REFUSE PLANNING PERMISSION.</i>

	<p>e) 21/00834/FUL Erection of a lean to extension to form a stable block. Change of use of part agricultural land to create a private riding arena to include; fencing, walling and associated ground works. Bents Farm Red Brae Bank To Bents Farm Bewerley HG3 5JE <i>Harrogate Borough Council have resolved to GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS.</i></p>
<p>8</p>	<p>The Council received updates and reports on Council Business and correspondence:</p> <p>a) Caretaker tasks. Cllr Spooner reported that the sandbag store had been re-sited on a stronger base. The concerns of parishioners regarding strimming of verges and possibly leaving the strimming longer to accommodate wildflowers were noted. It was also noted, however, that the area in question is strimmed to reduce the growth of saplings close to the border wall. RESOLVED: The Council will investigate areas in the parish where strimming can be reduced to allow growth of wildflowers and biodiversity.</p> <p>b) On Yer Bike Event on 25th June. Noted.</p> <p>c) Yorkshire Challenge 17th / 18th July 2021. Noted.</p> <p>d) Ard Dales event at Nidderdale Showground 2022. RESOLVED: Organisers to be invited to attend the Sept/Oct meeting.</p> <p>e) Bewerley and Greenhow Parish Council Police Report 10052021. Noted.</p> <p>f) Toft Gate Lime Kiln. Cllrs Spooner and Dawson advised that they had met with Iain Mann of the NAONB to discuss the way forward for the site. The overall aim is to keep access to the Lime Kiln open to visitors, but the NAONB recognises the burden of responsibility for maintenance costs should not be borne by the Parish Council. It was noted that grants from DEFRA may be available and a further meeting between the landowners/NAONB/BPC is needed to review the lease, funding options and future responsibility for maintenance. RESOLVED: Clerk to organise meeting.</p> <p>g) Consultation on the future of remote meetings - Report from Cllr A Murday. Noted.</p> <p>h) Revised date for unveiling of plaques 31st July 2021. Agreed.</p> <p>i) NYCC Highways And Transportation Town & Parish Clerks Teckal Letter. Noted.</p> <p>j) Nidderdale Safer Neighbourhood Group AGM 2nd June 2021. Noted.</p> <p>k) Harrogate YLCA Branch Meeting - 14 June 2021. Cllr Dawson had attended the meeting and reported that representatives from NYCC (Councillor Don Mackenzie and Karl Battersby, Director Business and Environment Services) had spoken to those present about the new NYCC Teckal company. It is hoped that this new in-house company will improve on the standards of efficiency and service previously delivered by Ringway, who were external contractors. The representatives gave examples of improvements anticipated e.g., in the response to blocked gullies and the aim of using more evidence-based approaches to deciding on work priorities. There was some discussion about the problems presented by traffic controls during housebuilding developments in Harrogate. A Park and Ride has been proposed from Pannal to the centre of Harrogate as one means to alleviate congestion in the town centre.</p> <p>l) YLCA training events. RESOLVED: Clerk to investigate the Social Responsibility training.</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>9.1 Annual Governance and Accountability Return.</p> <p>9.1.1 Cllr Langley proposed the Council certify Bewerley Parish Council as exempt from external audit for fiscal year 2020/2021, seconded Cllr Dawson, carried.</p> <p>9.1.2 Cllr Spooner proposed the Council note the Annual Internal Audit Report for 2020/2021 included at page 4 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/2021, seconded Cllr Marshall, carried. The Council were pleased to note the positive comments by the Internal Auditor on the quality of the financial accounts maintained by the Clerk.</p> <p>9.1.3 Cllr Wardman proposed the Council approve Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2020/2021 for Bewerley Parish Council on page 5 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/2021, seconded Cllr Langley, carried.</p> <p>9.1.4 Cllr Marshall proposed the Council approve Section 2 - Accounting Statements 2020/2021 for</p>

	<p>Bewerley Parish Council on page 6 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/2021, seconded Cllr Spooner, carried.</p> <p>9.1.5 Cllr Wardman proposed the Council approve the publication of documents required by Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015 and the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities between 30th June and 10th August 2021, seconded Cllr Dawson, carried.</p> <p>9.2 Cllr Marshall proposed the Council approved the following accounts for payment, seconded Cllr Dawson, carried:</p> <table data-bbox="252 566 1284 667"> <tr> <td>9.2.1</td> <td>M Dawson Office Expenses ink cartridges</td> <td>31.98</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9.2.2</td> <td>Whitemere View Ltd A1186 caretaking invoice</td> <td>90.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9.2.3</td> <td>Whitemere View Ltd A1187 grass cutting</td> <td>105.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>9.3 The Council noted the following: Clerk's salary 1- 30th June 2021</p> <p>9.4 The Council received a bank reconciliation to 31st May 2021.</p> <p>9.5 Cllr Langley reconciled the receipts/payments authorised at the last Council meeting with the bank statement.</p>	9.2.1	M Dawson Office Expenses ink cartridges	31.98	9.2.2	Whitemere View Ltd A1186 caretaking invoice	90.00	9.2.3	Whitemere View Ltd A1187 grass cutting	105.00
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10	<p>10.1 The Council received the following new correspondence: 10.1.1 YLCA email regarding North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Panel recruitment. Noted.</p> <p>10.2 The following new information was exchanged: 10.2.1 Cllr Marshall mentioned the sign for the Bridgehouse Gate businesses by the entrance to the Recreation Ground is in a poor state of repair. RESOLVED: Cllrs Wardman and Marshall to speak with businesses to identify who is responsible for it. 10.2.2 The Council discussed replacing the bench at Bewerley Outdoor Centre which was destroyed in a road traffic accident in 2018/19. RESOLVED: Clerk to ascertain whether replacement bench is still available; Cllr Spooner to contact the Centre to see if the bench can be replaced.</p>									
11	<p>Items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting There were no new items for inclusion.</p>									
12	<p>Date of next meeting The next meeting will be held on Monday 19th July 2021 at 7 p.m. venue to be confirmed. The meeting concluded at 9 pm.</p>									