

**Minutes of the Meeting of Brompton Town Council held in The Methodist Church, Brompton on Wednesday 16th April 2019.**

PRESENT – Councillors Mrs M Chandler, Dr K Carveley, Mrs M Shiel Dods, Mrs S Haynes, Mr H Van Huet and Mr B Martin (in the Chair).

There were 9 members of the public present.

1. APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor O’Sullivan due to a family illness. No declarations of interest in any of the items on the agenda were made by Councillors.

2. MINUTES.

AGREED – That the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 19th March 2019, having been previously circulated, be taken as read and be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. LOCAL CRIME REPORT.

It was reported that over the last the month following crimes and ASB had been reported –

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)	-	0 report
Autocrime	-	0 reports
Dwelling burglary/other	-	0 reports
Commercial burglary/other	-	1 report
Criminal damage	-	1 report
Theft (all including from shop)	-	0 reports
Violence against the person	-	5 reports
Other crimes inc Drugs	-	1 reports
Total inc other crimes	-	8 reports

**Other News**

**Appeal for information after a crash on the A1**

At 7.10am on Saturday 13 April 2019, police were called to a collision on the A1(M) southbound, just south of junction 51 at Leeming Bar. The collision involved a red Audi A1 car and a silver Hyundai IX35 car, both of which had been travelling south on the motorway.

As a result of the collision, the driver of the Hyundai, a man aged 70 from the Bedale area, suffered serious injuries and was taken to James Cook Hospital by air ambulance, where he remains in a critical condition. The female passenger in the Hyundai was also taken to James Cook Hospital with suspected serious injuries, where she was treated and subsequently discharged.

The driver of the Audi, a 21-year-old woman from the Midlothian area of Scotland, was also taken to James Cook Hospital for treatment for minor injuries, but was discharged after treatment. She was arrested by police in connection with the collision and has subsequently been released under investigation while enquiries continue.

The A1(M) southbound was closed until 2pm to allow emergency services to work at the scene. Traffic was diverted via the A6055 to junction 50.

Police believe that the red Audi involved had travelled from Scotland before the collision, and are appealing for anyone who saw a red Audi A1, driven by a woman with blonde hair, on the A1 between Midlothian and Leeming prior to the collision to contact them. In particular, officers are keen to speak

to anyone who may have dashcam footage which may have captured the red Audi between the A1(M) in the area of Newcastle and the scene of the collision at Leeming.

Any witnesses are asked to contact Traffic Constable Chris Garbutt or Traffic Sergeant Andy Morton at North Yorkshire Police, by calling 101 and quoting reference number 12190066191.

### **Car graffiti offender identified**

Northallerton Police have received numerous reports of cars being parked on the streets around County Hall and the Railway Station and having offensive messages written on the vehicle windows with marker pen requesting they park their vehicles elsewhere. Following enquires and investigations into these matters an offender has been identified who fully admitted the offence and is being dealt with accordingly. Another example of the police and local community working in partnership.

Councillors referred to the previous meeting when it had been alleged that drugs had been found near Lodge Lane. The PCSO responded explaining that what had been found had not been drug related. A Councillor indicated that drugs were possibly freely available around the village and urged that the Police deal with issue. A Councillor also pointed out that there had been no satisfactory resolution as regards the damage that had occurred to vehicles parked on Church View.

A Councillor reported that she had sent information to the Police about certain activities but apparently this had been lost.

The PCSO stated that she would report these matters back but Brompton was not her area and she was presently standing in for her colleague who was unable to attend the present meeting.

District Councillor Blades remarked that it was unfair to expect the stand-in PCSO to be able to give detailed answers to the questions that were being raised and suggested that the Council should instead ask Sergeant Wilson to attend a future Council meeting when concerns could be aired.

#### 4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

##### (i) Election Timetable

Deadline for receiving new postal vote and postal proxy applications, and for changes to existing postal or proxy votes - 15 April (5pm)

Deadline for receiving new applications to vote by proxy (not postal proxy or emergency proxies) - 24 April (5pm)

Publication of second interim election notice of alteration 18 days – Between 4 April and 24 April (inclusive)

Publication of notice of poll - Not later than 24 April

Publication of final election notice of alteration - 25 April

Deadline for notification of appointment of polling and counting agents - 25 April

First date that electors can apply for a replacement for lost postal votes - 26 April

Polling day - (7am – 10pm) Thursday 2 May

Last time that electors can apply for a replacement for spoilt or lost postal votes - 2 May (5pm)

Deadline for emergency proxy applications - 2 May (5pm)

##### (ii) Northallerton High Street Post Office

Letter sent to Northallerton Town Council from The Post Office, External Affairs Manager-

“The proposed changes to the Post Office in Northallerton is part of the continuing modernisation of our branch network. The Post Office is committed to keeping our services on high streets, which we know is hugely important to people. This proposal means we can continue to do that into the future and we are making sure we take the right action to sustain services for years to come. We believe the most effective way to secure the long term viability of Post Office services in Northallerton is through a carefully selected retail partner, and we are confident that our proposal is the best way of safeguarding services for the community for years to come.

The vast majority of our 11,500 Post Office branches, large and small, are successfully operated in this way with retail partners and we believe this is the best approach to keeping Post Offices in main shopping locations and at the heart of communities where they play an important role in local economies.

WHSmith has been successfully operating Post Offices within its stores since 2007 and currently run over 130 branches. Throughout this extended period they have satisfied us that they will be able to successfully run the branch in Northallerton, by showing that they can deliver excellent standards of customer service, with trained staff providing products and services in a modern environment.

The layout of the proposed new branch, which will consist of three serving positions (two open plan positions and one traditional screened position) has been based on current and forecast future business levels. We have stringent standards to ensure good access for all customers at any new branch. Access as a minimum would meet all relevant accessibility legislation and the route to the Post office area, through the WHSmith retail store, will be kept free of obstruction to ensure good access for customers particularly those with mobility issues.

I am sorry a number of Councillors felt the forum held on 5 March was disappointing. We did meet a considerable number of stakeholders and customers during the session and their views were captured and have been fed into the consultation process. Whilst I'm sure some customers still left with reservations about the proposal we were able to provide those attending with more information and address directly some of the concerns they raised.

With regard to the floorplans available at the session we can't unfortunately allow anyone to take away or copy the layouts.

Please be assured that the comments in the letter from the Town Council will be fully considered, along with the other feedback received during consultation, and before a final decision is made on our proposals for Northallerton Post Office”.

(iii) The Orchards – Allocations Policy.

The Clerk reported that the allocations policy was as follows -

Applicants wishing to be considered for housing within an extra care housing scheme:

- must be in housing need and complete an application form and be registered on Broadacres application management system. Broadacres normal financial criteria do not apply, however where necessary, an affordability assessment will be carried out to ensure the applicant can meet the housing costs.
- will usually live in the district council area that the scheme resides in. Alternatively they must be an existing tenant of Broadacres elsewhere or be able to demonstrate a local connection to the area e.g. the applicant should live in the district or have lived here for a period in the immediate past or has immediate family living in the area.<sup>1</sup> Where the

applicant cannot demonstrate a local connection to the area the panel will use their discretion in agreeing their eligibility.

For schemes that have a Section 106 Agreement in place see appendices:

- Town Close, Stokesley – Appendix 1
- Kirkwood Hall, Leyburn – Appendix 2
- will normally require assistance with their daily living tasks and/or their personal care because of a range of difficulties or disabilities.
- will normally be over the age of 55 but applications are invited from younger people whose needs and outlook will be suited to the scheme.
- will be in a position where their present living situation may no longer be suitable because care and other facilities cannot readily, practicably or economically be provided there.
- will have a positive desire to retain or regain their independence. Will be able to live safely and securely within the scheme, where their needs will not unduly impact on the safety and security of other residents.

Couples are eligible to apply where one or both meet the above criteria.

Eligibility for extra care housing will be established by the completion of a housing needs assessment, and a person-centred assessment of care and support needs.

Criteria will be applied flexibly and will be person-centred i.e. focusing on the individual and the principles of respect, dignity and choice.

From the outset, there will be a focus on independence and pro-active encouragement for residents to become involved in the running of the scheme and for them to continue to learn, acquiring skills and experience. The level of inclusion and/or involvement however will remain the choice of the resident.

(iv) Re-routing the 70B Bus Service

From Passenger Transport -

Thank you for your recent email regarding the possibility of amending the route of Northallerton Town Service, in particular 74B journeys.

Although it has not been possible to revise the timetable to operate all 74B journeys via Brompton Green without significantly reducing the number of journeys each day, I am pleased to advise you that we have been able to revise the route to operate two journeys via Brompton Green.

The revised journeys will operate from Mowbray Road, Stokesley Road, Lead Lane, Brompton Green, Northallerton Road, Stokesley Road, Bylands Place, then continuing as Service 74A to Malpass Road. These journeys will operate Monday to Saturday.

The frequency of Northallerton Town Service will be reduced from seven to six journeys to aid reliability on all 74A & 74B journeys, and also enable the variation of two journeys via Brompton Green. This means that we have been able to vary the route on two journeys via Brompton Green without additional cost.

The new timetable will operate with effect from Monday 29 April 2019, and I have attached a copy of the revised timetable for your information.

As regards the Section 106 Agreement this had included a condition that once the road was opened the developer would pay a contribution of £100k over a five year period towards bus services, however this had already included the two bus stops that had been placed on the link road, although there was some contention that the Section 106 Agreement referred to "bus services". The view was expressed that an opportunity had been lost to incorporate bus laybys into the link road. The Chairman pointed out that the Council had been informed by NY Highways that this was a matter for

the developer to decide upon. There was however still an opportunity for two laybys to be installed on the next section of the link road. District Councillor Sanderson confirmed that there would be a cycle path installed between the road and where the houses had been set some way back.

AGREED –That a meeting be requested with NY Highways and the developers concerning the crossing point at the road junction before any works are commenced.

(v) Additional Doctors Surgery at The Orchards.

The Chairman reported that he had been informed that there was sufficient patient capacity at the current doctors surgeries and therefore an additional doctors facility in Brompton was not needed.

(vi) Desilting the Beck

The Clerk reported that desilting was only done every 3 years and that the Flood Group had to pay for a Licence. Desilting of the beck along a small area between the middle bridge and Wilford Road bridge had taken place which had taken less than two hours but this was the only area that the EA had granted permission for.

(vii) Affordable Housing.

It was reported that Amanda Madden had written to all of those Brompton residents who had responded to the Affordable Housing event informing them of the manner in which the forthcoming affordable housing would be allocated and explaining how they could apply.

## 5. CHAIRMAN/VICE-CHAIRMAN'S ACTIONS.

The Chairman reported that he had attended the meeting about the future of the Friarage Hospital. He was also trying to get a contact through the Passenger Group who could be contacted at Network Rail about the level crossing and the traffic priority issue at Bowe Bridge. In this respect County Council Hugill stated that he had tried without success to get a name for the appropriate person at Network Rail through NY Highways.

## 6. REPORTS.

The Clerk reported on his attendance at the meeting of the Richmondshire Area Committee on the 27th March 2019 as follows -

A representative of Arkengarthdale Parish Council addressed the meeting pointing to the falling numbers of young people in the Dales which happens for justifiable reasons. At the same time there are increasing numbers of elderly people in the Dales and other rural areas. Consequently a new and innovative approach was needed as very soon 50% of the population in rural areas would be over 65. New homes need to be built to allow older people to move into better sized homes for their time of life and free up family homes for the next generation and for the needs of first time buyers.

There is a need to convert large buildings that had gone beyond their original use into elderly peoples apartments and to convert properties that would otherwise become holiday homes, this could include old chapels and churches. Many older people are anxious to stay in the Dales but are living in accommodation that is no longer appropriate for them especially in the winter months when the Dales are exceptionally cold and the elderly have the added problem of being able to properly heat their homes. Specifically built homes or conversions are therefore seen as being essential.

Councillor Blades mentioned that Hambleton District Council was looking at its Local Plan as regards the need for more bungalows aimed at the older population. However this was a challenge as developers do not like to build bungalows as they took up too much land. There is also a need to design bungalows for the older age group.

### A Good Life Project.

Councillor Blackie reported on the Upper Dales Community Partnership that has been in existence since 1997 and provides local services accessible locally for the benefit of local communities and endeavours to overcome the distance that people live from the services in the Upper Dales. The services currently provided included a Police Station, a Library, an Internet Café, Mini-Bus Services, a Post Office with two sub Post Offices and a community Filling Station all with a turnover of £2m being a not for profit community company with a Community Officer and providing local employment for 25 local people and engaging 70 volunteers; being mainly mini-bus drivers . The partnership has been recognised nationally as a Beacon organisation.

Without the partnership all of the Dales services would have to be travelled to by residents of the Upper Dales. A fear of people in the Dales is living too remote from services that they need to access to with half of the targeted demographic being worried about having to leave the Dales when they become older. Many are unaware of what help is available to them if there require it. The Doctors and Chapels/ Churches saw the largest attendances by the elderly however in the case of the latter attendance was based more on social grounds than on religion in many cases. A large proportion of the Dales population feel that their needs are not being met and many consider that access to activities and hobbies is not available. Many also expressed a willingness to help in the community in some way.

All Parish Councils in the Upper Dales are members of the partnership and provide some funding towards it. The District Council and the County Council are also integral parts. It is considered that this format could very well be rolled out to other parts of North Yorkshire.

### Rural Policing.

The Rural Policing Team comprises 17 members of staff across the County with a PC and PCSO covering Hambleton and the same in Richmondshire.

Prevention is a key strategy targeting rural farms and businesses and the victims of crime and explaining why crimes have happened. There are 8,500 farms across North Yorkshire and the Police have sent crime prevention advice by letter to all of them. A specific operation targets thefts of metal especially from rural churches and is being funded by Historical England. The mobile Rural Watch is active in Hambleton and Richmondshire with members of the public going on patrols with the Police particularly in the border areas and also for reassurance of the public.

In conjunction with Neighbourhood Policing there is an emphasis on intelligence gathering, attending events and using Whats App. It is considered that attending such as rural shows, auction marts and County Shows being available at events attended by large numbers of the public is the most effective method of communication.

The Police need to be seen to have teeth and success is happening in prosecutions for thefts of tools, vehicles and off road bikes from rural properties especially around the Cleveland, Whitby and Ryedale areas. Arrests have taken place in the Cleveland area for 120 crimes.

Cross border areas west of Richmond and Skipton as well as the Cleveland borders are targeted as a group of criminals have been identified from West Yorkshire and this has led to a number of arrests in the last few weeks and is an on-going investigation.

Poaching is a significant crime area with 1,200 incidents from July 2018 and from January to July 2019 expected to be around 800 incidents. There have been a number of convictions and dogs have been ceased by the Traffic Police under the Hunting Acts. However there is the cost of kennelling the dogs therefore dogs are ceased only when there is a good chance of conviction. Other Police Operations are on-going alongside Trading Standards.

## Highways.

Central Reserve Gap and Junction Safety measures are currently being carried out on the A19. The gaps have been the scene of fatalities over the years and have received adverse comment by Coroners. Improved safety works are also being carried out on the A64 and the A66. On the A19 the Black Swan gap has been closed and plans are in hand to close other gaps in the central reservations on the dual carriageway. On the A19 there are 100 such gaps with half of them being in North Yorkshire with many providing access to farms and fields. The A19 was one of the first sections of A class highway to carry dual carriageways when traffic and highway standards were very different to what they are today. Improved access will also take place to Mount Grace Priory.

The NY Highways Area Manager explained how roads deteriorate which is mainly due to drainage problems or inadequate design/construction, sometimes through the use of sub-standard materials. The classified network is surveyed every year and reactive measures are undertaken (potholes) together with planned maintenance (capital works) being larger schemes of repair and reconstruction.

For 2018/19 the capital spend was £10m (including money from an additional £13m pot) with revenue for 2018/19 being £2.3m. For 2019/20 revenue will remain the same and capital expenditure will be £7.5m.

### 7. PLANNING MATTERS.

#### (i) Decisions.

Demolition of existing garage and construction of 1 No detached garage - Land to The East Of 15 Lead Lane Brompton – GRANTED

Full planning application for the construction of a Pre-Delivery Inspection (PDI) Workshop for the preparation of vehicles (sui generis), storage of vehicles (use class B8), access, car parking, landscaping and associated works - OS Field 6504 Northallerton Business Park Thurston Road – GRANTED.

#### (ii) Applications.

19/00513/CAT- Works to trees in a Conservation Area at 11 Water End – No objections.

19/00541/FUL – Retrospective application for the siting of 5 static caravans on agricultural land for agricultural workers at Lowfields Farm, Fullicar Lane – No objections subject to the inclusion of an agricultural occupancy condition.

19/00505/FUL - Proposed extension to rear of property – Mill Hill House, 33 Northallerton Road.

At 8.00pm the meeting was opened to the public for the asking of question.

- (i) Mr B Walker asked if there had been any information received about the 7.5 ton weight limit on Lead Lane being removed. The Clerk reported that he had only just asked for the weight limit signs to be renewed and he had not been told anything about the weight limit being lifted.  
As regards Lead Lane the Chairman reported that the Yorkshire Water manhole cover would be installed at the same time as the planned electricity and gas work connections to the bungalow property at the top of the hill were being put in. In this respect Lead Lane would be closed for a period of three days from the 23rd April although it did not appear as though the Council had been notified of the planned closure by way of a Traffic Regulation Order.

## 8. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

### Receipts –

Nil

### Payments –

Mrs L Huang (Street Sweeping)	80.00
P Atkin (Salary)	322.64
P Atkin (Expenses)	45.61
HMRC (PAYE)	68.00
Hambleton CAB (Donation)	100.00
Great North Air Ambulance (Donation)	100.00
Hambleton Foodshare (Donation)	50.00
Soupa Trouper – New Life Baptist Church (Donation)	50.00
AGE UK North Yorkshire (Donation)	50.00
York Disabled Workers Association (Donation)	50.00
Sam Turners (Padlock, Sack barrow, Hammerite paint, bolts)	73.72
Mr P Toman (2 months labour – 98.5 hours)	1,182.00
Mr E Darby (25 hours Labour)	300.00
Mr E Darby (Fuel expenses)	25.02
DM Payroll Services – (Annual charges)	102.00
Signs Direct (“Policemen” signs in school layby)	375.56

AGREED – That the accounts listed above be approved for payment.

The Chairman clarified that the sack barrow had been purchased by the Council and donated to the Primary School so that the “Policemen” in the layby could be easily moved about.

### Bank Mandate.

AGREED – That Councillors Carveley and O’Sullivan be added to the new Bank Mandate.

## 9. GRANTS AND DONATIONS.

Consideration was given to applications for grants received from Brompton Flood Prevention Group; The Parochial Church Council and Brompton Recreation Association. AGREED – That the sums of £1,750.00 be made by way of grant to all three local organisations and that the cheques be drawn a the next Council meeting.

With regard to the making of annual donations to local Voluntary Organisation it was AGREED - That donations to local organisations be made as follows (as set out above) –



Hambleton CAB (Donation)	100.00
Great North Air Ambulance (Donation)	100.00
Hambleton Foodshare (Donation)	50.00
Soupa Trouper – New Life Baptist Church (Donation)	50.00
AGE UK North Yorkshire (Donation)	50.00
York Disabled Workers Association (Donation)	50.00

It was also AGREED –That for future years the donation to GREAT North Air Ambulance be set at £250.00.

#### 10. CIL MONIES – QUESTIONNAIRE RETURNS.

The Clerk reported on the CIL questionnaire returns as follows, there having been a 9.8% return rate which was considered to be very acceptable.

Highway matters including a mini-roundabout in the centre of the Village and improved highway signing to improve traffic flow issues - 34

Enhanced community Facilities in the village – 17 (one specifying Public Toilets and two specifying a new Village Hall)

A Community Mini – Bus - 17

Other –

Repair of Church Clock – 7  
 Flood Prevention Group – 7  
 Give it all to The Shop – 5  
 Recreation Ground Play Equipment – 3  
 Tree Planting/ Nature Trail – 3  
 Keep the Council Tax down - 2  
 Kissing Gate to BRG Field – 2  
 Gym Equipment on The Greens – 2  
 CCTV – 2  
 Wild Flower areas – 2  
 Improve School Playground – 1  
 20mph speed limit - 2  
 Pedestrian Bridge across the beck – 1  
 Coffee shop and Post Office – 1  
 More Litter Bins – 1  
 More Street Lighting – 1  
 Bins outside the Village Hall – 1  
 Pedestrian access along Lead Lane – 1  
 Traffic Lights for pedestrians on the new road – 2  
 Plants Woodlands on the Greens - 1  
 Make Lead Lane One-Way – 1  
 Running Track at the BRG Field – 1  
 Picnic benches and tables on the Greens – 1  
 Recreation Facilities on the new housing estate – 1

#### 11. BROMPTON RECREATION GROUP - Update.

It was reported the official opening had been a big success however the MP had not been able to attend due to pressing Parliamentary business. A time table for the opening times of the café would be published shortly. The application for a pole for the WIFI had been received by HDC.

#### 12. NORTHALLERTON ROAD RECREATION GROUND + IMPROVEMENTS TO PLAY EQUIPMENT AT WATER END.

The Clerk reported that two further catalogues of play equipment which included the type of equipment that had been mentioned at the previous meeting were being circulated around Councillors. Councillor O'Sullivan had undertaken to liaise with Primary School in order that the views of the children themselves could be obtained.

#### 13. HIGHWAY MATTERS (ii) Right of Way Stile at Highfield Farm.

##### St Thomas Church – Access for Funerals

It had been noticed at a recent funeral that the funeral car had great difficulty in accessing the road up to the Lych Gate due to vehicles encroaching onto the no parking area.

The driver of the funeral car had commented that this is happening quite frequently and there could be a time when the funeral car could not get access to the Lych Gate when bringing a coffin to St Thomas' which would be very distressing for all concerned.

Councillors had therefore met with representatives of the PCC immediately prior to the present Council meeting to look to a solution of this problem. AGREED - That NY Highways be requested to place a yellow hatched box on the carriageway where the current white line is at the access to the Church from Church View and that appropriate signs be erected, the costs of which would be borne by the Town Council.

##### PLANNED ROAD CLOSURE NOTIFICATION - LA20469 -Northallerton Road, Brompton

The Closure will be in place for a period of 7 hours between 13:00 and 20:00 on 27th May 2019 for Brompton Carnival.

##### Right of Way Stile at Highfield Farm.

The Chairman undertook to speak to the person who had commented at a previous meeting about the stile to see what if any action could be taken.

A step to the bridge was rotten and needed to be repaired as there was a large gap which was dangerous to cross. AGREED –That the Council workmen carry out this repair.

##### 40mph Speed Limit on Northallerton Road.

It was reported that NY Highways had not yet responded to the Council's questions as regards the short length of 40mph speed limit on Northallerton Road the approach to the Rugby Club.

##### Smiley Face Speed Recognition Signs.

The Clerk reported that the Area Highways Manager had undertaken to look at the costs of providing smiley face speed recognition signs.

##### Lead Lane Crossroads.

It was reported that following the road diversion it was unlikely that parts of the grass verge would grow back and that Area Highways needed to carry out an inspection. AGREED - That the Clerk take this matter up with NY Highways.

##### Access to the BRG Field from The Windmill.

It was reported that the Chairman of the BRG had contacted the landowner who had agreed to a kissing gate stile being put in where people walked across his land to the BRG field. It was also reported that the damaged fence at this point had been repaired.

#### 14. CCTV.

The Clerk reported on his meeting with a representative of the Safer Northallerton Team. Trying to cover Church View or any similar areas would not meet the criteria as there too many trees obscuring the views of the cameras and there was nothing to put them on; in addition there was no recorded incidents that would qualify.

However the Recreation Ground did qualify - one long range infra red camera could be mounted on a very high pole at the back of The Methodist Church using an electricity supply from there if possible. The camera would cover the whole recreation ground area but would be at such a distance away that hopefully it isn't readily noticed by anyone thinking of doing something untoward.

Costs would be £2,500 for the camera + £850 per annum for maintenance and to be included in the Police/HDC monitory system. The Council could however pay for other high poles to be put up as the camera is portable (as in Northallerton and Romanby) and could be moved if required by the Police to another location (subject to there being an electricity supply) - the Police had suggested Cockpit Hill as a location where it may be possible to mount it periodically on a street light subject to survey. AGREED -That the provision of CCTV to cover the Recreation Ground be pursued.

#### 15. WEB SITE UPDATE.

The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting appropriate photographs.

#### 16. GREENS INSPECTION.

There were no new matters to report.

#### 17. CORRESPONDENCE.

No matters of correspondence were raised at the meeting.

#### 18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

(i) Date of Next Meeting.

AGREED – That the next meeting of the Council be held in The Methodist Church on Tuesday 21st May 2019 on the rising of the Annual Meeting of the Council which will commence at 7.00pm.

(ii) Retiring Councillors.

Councillors Hubert Van Huet and Mrs Margaret Chandler reported that they had decided not to stand for re-election to the Council. Councillor Van Huet having served on the Council for 6 years and Councillor Mrs Chandler for 31 years. The Council thanked both members for the service they had given to the Council during their periods of office and also remarked that as with the resignation of other long-standing Councillors in recent months the present time could be regarded as being the end of an era. There was consequently a need to consider in due course something to mark such an event.

(iii) Allotments Site.

The Clerk reported that he would arrange with Councillor Sheil Dods a date on which to carry out his annual inspection of the site. He also confirmed that any surplus rent collected above the figure of £1,200.00 due to the Council was for the Allotments Group to keep. As regards the small surplus that

had been paid to the Council in the previous year this could be retained in order to pay the water charges when received from the landowner.

(iv) Council Lap Top.

That the Clerk make enquiries about the purchase of a lap top for Council use as this could be used in conjunction with screen at Council meetings in The Methodist Church and report back in due course.

(v) Street Signs.

The Clerk undertook to chase up Broadacres Housing about the reinstatement of the street signs that had been reported to them at the previous meeting.

(vi) Yorkshire Water Works at Fernwood Close/ Hilton Close.

The Chairman reported that these works had been going on for a very long time and the Clerk undertook to make enquiries as to when the works would be completed.

(vii) New Developments.

AGREED – That the Clerk make enquiries as to who will be responsible for the maintenance of the roundabouts once the developers have left the sites.

#### 19. BURIAL MATTERS.

The Clerk reported on the reinstatement of headstones in the Cemetery by the Councils workmen.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm