

## AGENDA

### PRESTON-UNDER-SCAR PARISH COUNCIL

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You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Preston-Under-Scar Parish Council on to be held on Tuesday 6 December 2022 at 7.00pm or on the conclusion of the Quarry Liaison Meeting, whichever is the later, in Preston under Scar Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the following business:

1. To receive apologies for absence
2. To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5 July 2022
3. To declare Councillors' interests in items on the agenda.
4. Action taken since the last Parish Council Meeting

#### Quarry:

Following the last Quarry Liaison Meeting, the Chairman, Councillor Sayers and Gareth Woodyer visited the quarry on 21 July 2022. Their observations and agreed outcomes were as follows:

- We were impressed by the running of the quarry in general and their attention to both H&S and dust suppression in particular.
- They have an extensive heavy duty sprinkler system that covers all of the main thoroughfares throughout the quarry, a water bowser that targets active work areas and sprinklers specifically for rock crushing areas. All were in operation when we visited as it was a hot dry day, as so many have been this summer.
- We were left in no doubt that both noise and dust suppression is something they take very seriously.
- There are well documented legal limits for noise levels and at the moment they appear to be operating within these.
- The required standards for the level of dust emissions is less clear and Tony Tait has agreed to seek guidance on this and come back to us with an answer.
- He has agreed to share all dust monitoring data with us from now on.
- He is also having the dust samples analysed to establish how much of it is actually dust from the quarry and will share the report with us.
- He confirmed that although the lease runs until 2042, he does not anticipate any extraction south of the road for at least 12 years and more likely 15. At such a point mobile processing units would be used which would reduce both the visual impact with much lower stone stacks and dust levels by processing stone next to the face rather than trucking it to a central crushing unit as they do now.

#### Cemetery Extension:

Councillors have undertaken a cemetery site visit to confirm the scope of the works required to prepare the proposed extension to the cemetery for future use. Quotes are currently being sought for Phase 1 and 2 of the proposed works comprising the removal

of the hedge and fence line at the bottom of the existing cemetery area and for running a pasture topper over that area. 2 quotes for that work have been received and are currently being evaluated. A quote has also been obtained for the maintenance of that area during 2023 once the works have been carried out.

### **Hillcrest Development:**

Following receipt of notification that the proposed development of land at Hillcrest had been granted planning permission, a complaint (attached in full to the Clerk's report at item 5 on the agenda) has been submitted to Richmondshire District Council about how various aspects of the application process have been handled. Richmondshire District Council's response to that complaint is included at item 10 on the agenda.

### **Village Play Area:**

Richmondshire District Council has continued to provide the Clerk with copies of the monthly Play equipment reports, which have been forwarded to Councillors. Councillor Higham, Gareth Woodyer and Patrick Earle have recently met onsite with RDC Officers and Councillor Higham will report on progress at the meeting.

### **Village Emergency Plan**

Following an initial meeting with Joe Rushbrook from the Resilience Team at North Yorkshire County Council, work has started on the development of a Resilience Plan for the village. Mellbecks Parish Council, who have a Plan in place have offered their support for this process and on 30 November Councillor Knight will attend a training session with that Parish Council to test their Plan in practice and will report on his attendance at the meeting.

### **Trees in The Stanney**

The Bolton Estate has completed tree felling and tree maintenance works in The Stanney.

## **5. Report of the Clerk on decisions taken since the last meeting (copy enclosed)**

## **6. Finance and Banking**

### **(1) To note the following opening balances as at 1 November 2022:**

Current Account: £8838.60

Savings Account: £2,287.50

### **(2) Authorised Signatories**

Councillors are requested to consider passing a resolution that Councillor Higham and Councillor Sayers be designated authorised signatories to the Parish Council's Bank Account.

**(3) To note the following payments authorised by the Clerk since the last meeting of the Parish Council on 5 July 2022 under her delegated authority:**

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Payment type</b>	<b>Amount</b>
DCN	Grass Cutting		
	July	BACS	£130
	August	BACS	£240
	September	BACS	£220
Town & Parish Council Websites	Annual website hosting charge	BACS	£160
DefibWarehouse	Replacement Defibrillator Battery	BACS	£302.10

**(4) The Second Quarter Financial Review** is circulated for consideration with this agenda and is also available on the Parish Website. Councillors are requested to consider and, if satisfied, approve the review.

## **7. Budget and Precept for the financial year 2023/24**

Councillors are requested to consider and determine:

- (1) Items suggested by residents for inclusion in the Council's 2023/24 budget (*copy of report by the Clerk enclosed and available on the Parish Website*)
- (2) Taking into account decisions under item 7(1) of this agenda, the Parish Council's draft budget and proposed precept for 2023/24 (*copy enclosed with this agenda and available on the Parish Website*).

## **8. Village Maintenance** – to consider any issues arising.

## **9. Applications to reserve a plot in the Village Cemetery and to plant a tree or place a memorial bench in a suitable location in the village**

The Parish Council is requested to consider:

- (1) an application received from a former resident of the village to reserve a plot in the village cemetery;
- (2) a request from a family member of former residents of the village who wishes to plant a tree or donate a bench with a plaque in the village in memory of her father. The family member concerned has indicated that she would be willing to contribute to the cost of installing a Village Interpretation Board, using material from a history of the village written by her parents at a suitable location in the village,

**10. Response to complaint about handling of planning application 21/000720/FULL (Hillcrest)** – Councillors are invited to consider Richmondshire District Council’s response (*copy enclosed and available on the Parish Website*).

**11. Dog Fouling in the Village**

To discuss the increased incidence of dog fouling in some areas of the village.

**12. Quarry Liaison Meeting** – to consider any issues arising from the Quarry Liaison Meeting on 6 December 2022

**13. Planning Applications**

**New Applications:**

22/00596/FULL – planning permission for erection of steel portal outbuilding for personal and domestic use at Thorfin, Preston Under Scar – *following a site visit, the Parish Council had no objections to this application for which planning permission has now been granted.*

22/00612/FULL – planning permission for new conservatory at Rose Tree Cottage, Preston under Scar – *the Parish Council had no objections to this application which has yet to be determined*

22/002200/FULL – planning permission to create new avenue from Bolton Hall to Lords Bridge etc – *the Parish Council had no objection to this application which has yet to be determined.*

22/00765/FULL - Full Planning Permission for Side Extension, Detached Double Garage and Associated Landscaping at The Old Barn, Wensley Station, Preston Under Scar, Leyburn, North Yorkshire – *the Parish Council had no objection to this amendment application, which has yet to be determined*

**Upcoming Applications: None notified**

**Update on Previous Applications**

Application 22/00200/FULL - Planning Permission to Create a New Avenue from Bolton Hall to Lords Bridge by Converting a Corridor of Intensive Dairy Grassland to Low Intensity, Species Rich Grassland, a New Avenue of Trees, a Drive Down the Centre and a Carriage Sweep in Front of Bolton Hall at Bolton Hall, Wensley, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4UF – *awaiting decision*

Application 21/000720/FULL - Full Planning Permission for Proposed Two Storey Detached Dwelling with off Street Parking and New Highways Access at Hillcrest, Preston Under Scar, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4AJ – *planning permission granted (Note: the*

*Parish Council submitted a formal complaint to Richmondshire District Council about their handling of the application, the response to which is included at item 10 on this agenda)*

Application 22/00338/FULL - Full Planning Permission for Agricultural Building (Retrospective) at Bolton Hall Farm, The Estate Office, Bolton Hall, Wensley, North Yorkshire, DL8 4UF – *awaiting decision*

## **12. Date and agenda items for the next meeting**

**Linda Stevens**  
**Clerk to Preston under Scar Parish Council**

**30 November 2022**