

BOLTON PERCY, COLTON & STEETON PARISH COUNCIL

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An Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council was held in the Old School Room, Bolton Percy on:

Thursday 6th February 2025

Minutes

- 1. PRESENT:** Cllr Steele (Chairperson), Cllr Robinson (Vice-Chair), Cllr Nicholls, Cllr Tucker
- 2. APOLOGIES:** Cllr Robertson
- 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:** Cllr Steele - Section 7 Planning Application: Lady Flat Farm
- 4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** Signed as a true and accurate record by Cllr Steele. Proposed Cllr Tucker. Seconded Cllr Nicholls
- 5. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 1**
- 6. CLERK'S REPORT: ACTIONS TAKEN FROM LAST MEETING: See Sections 9, 10, 11**
- 7. PLANNING: to consider planning policies, decision notifications, applications and appeals received and resolve to submit comments where appropriate.**

Planning Decision: ZG2024/0733/FUL PERMISSION GRANTED

Location: Camp Site at Home Farm, Main Street, Colton

Proposal: Conversion of farm shop to short term holiday let accommodation and erection of extension to it serving as a toilet/shower block for the camp site.

Planning Application: ZG2024/0841/FUL

Location: Lady Flat Farm, Lady Flat Lane, Colton, North Yorkshire, LS24 8ES

Proposal: Conversion of existing buildings into two dwellings. NO COMMENTS TO BE MADE

8. UPDATE ON NEW PUMP FOR PUMP ALLEY B.P.:

Cllr Nicholls and residents of Pump Alley met with engineer from Selwoods who explained the workings of the proposed new pump. The pump will be more powerful and more effective than the present pump; the gravity pull and the amount of water which can be pumped out will also be greater and therefore more efficient. Cllr Nicholls is waiting for a quote for expenditure on hoses and attachments. Cllr Nicholls will also obtain quotes for a new fuel tank. Permission is to be sought from the landowner to ask if pump and tank could be installed. Clerk to speak landowner's representative.

9. UPDATING COMMUNICATION METHODS TO ALL RESIDENTS OF B.P., COLTON AND STEETON PARISH:

A parishioner had enquired about communication methods asking why the clerk no longer sent the agenda and minutes directly to parishioners via email and why communications now included social media sites. Concerns were expressed that information about recent road closures were not reported.

Cllrs considered the methods of communication the P.C. use:

1. Minutes printed in the Parish Magazine monthly – we now send in the “unconfirmed” minutes so that the residents of BP, Colton and Steeton are able to access the information a month earlier than previously.
2. Clerk forwards relevant emails from NYC and outside agencies to Councillors for comment – if relevant then information can be sent to Parish Magazine for inclusion or posted on local village Facebook groups.

3. Clerk rarely received forward notice of road closures, but if she does she reports them in the minutes of the PC meeting and on the local social media platforms. She has also explained how to find out information through the NYC website.
4. Where appropriate Clerk has informed parishioners of NYC news e.g. library details and weather advisories via local social media -YO23 page, BP Page and Village, WhatsApp group. Clerk has also answered a number of comments made on these sites if queries arose.
5. When Mrs Dawson was clerk, it was decided to stop sending direct emails residents as contact information was out of date, concerns about GDPR and a number of contacts were sadly no longer with us.
6. Parishioners can contact the clerk directly. Clerk has made sure that the PC email is displayed in the villages and on all correspondence.
7. Cllr Robertson updates the website with the minutes/agenda. www.boltonpercy-colton-steeton.org.uk

Clerk to contact parishioner directly to see if the PC can offer any further assistance.

10. COLTON ROAD SIGNS:

Clerk has contacted NYC to ask for permission to place small 30mph LED signs at either end of the village on the main through road. Clerk fed back her research on the regulations and signage. There are a number of options and costings available. Cllr Steele will contact local residents to ask for their opinions. PC decided to wait until NYC reply and then source an appropriate set of signs.

11. BOLTON PERCY TIME CAPSULE UPDATE:

The PPC asked if the sum of £430 for the stone plaque could be paid by the PC. Cllrs felt as they had funded the Time Capsule in the interest of the village and had previously agreed to the less expensive metal plaque then then would increase the amount offered to pay for the necessary stone plaque. Clerk to inform the PCC.

12. FINANCE: To review and approve items/matters of expenditure

Annual Website/Domain renewal: £29.81 – approved

Cllr Steele to purchase a new battery for the B.P. pump: approx. £100 – approved

Stone Plaque for the Time Capsule in All Saints Church, BP: £430.00 - approved

9. PARISHIONERS ITEMS FOR DISUSSION/ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Tucker brought to the attention of the PC that there is a new regeneration act, that now allows the PC to assist with supporting the local church with financial help. If the request is in the interests of the village community, then it will be considered.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 6th March 2025

Meeting closed at 9.05pm

Joann Blades, Clerk to the Parish Council

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