

144 Planning Matters:

Decided Planning Applications:

- 22/01150/TPO Holly Lodge Wetherby Road Rufforth for: Crown lift by 2 m 1no. Lime and 1no. Ash tree- protected by TPO no. CYC95: Approved
- 22/00745/FUL 28 Bradley Lane, Rufforth for first floor rear extension and alteration of front window: Approved
- 22/00883/FUL The Firs Bradley Lane, Rufforth for construction of 800m2 equestrian riding arena: Approved
- 21/02661/FULM Land to East of Middlewood Close for 21 houses: Refused due to being inside the Green Belt.
- 22/01244/FUL 10 Victoria Farm Close, Rufforth for single storey extension: Approved
- 22/01291/FUL The Old Orchard Main Street Knapton for single storey side and rear extensions: this application has been withdrawn
- 22/01239/FUL Land at Knapton Moor and Low Field Lane for construction of vehicle access from Northfield Lane with associated site compound/car park and trail: Approved

Planning applications to be decided:

- 22/01221/AGNOT Land at Knapton Moor and Low Field Wetherby Road Rufforth for Community Woodland access tracks: RwkPC had not objected to this but made comments. CYC have approved this and stated that the car park can be expanded.
- 22/01513/ADV DPD Northminster Business Park for signage including 4 illuminated fascia signs to south and east elevations: PC has objected to this
- 22/01555/FULM Pavers Ltd Northminster Business Park for extension to provide office space with associated car parking and landscaping: it was decided not to object to this application as it was within the defined boundaries of the business park.
- 22/01681/FUL 12 Victoria Farm Close for single storey front and side extensions after demolishing existing conservatory: council did not object to this application but would make comments regarding the use of materials.
- Old Shop, Rufforth for 3no. 2 bed homes: there was no update
- York Local Plan: this was slowly moving forwards.
- Signage – The Village Coffee Stop: Council agreed a sign near the cattle crush but felt one by the board walk was unnecessary on the cycle path. Council would not object to signs further along the bridleway but they were under CYC and Yorwaste to approve. A sign by the playing fields' entrance would need planning permission. All agreed that PR should talk to the owners with council's views.
- Solar Farm: this had now gone to the next stage, a pre-planning application had gone into CYC. MR and PR reported on a joint meeting with Hessay PC and the developers at which the applicants were encouraged to hold open meetings in Rufforth and Hessay.

It was agreed to take Item 149 next.

149 Knapton:

- Parking: 2 residents from Knapton were upset at inconsiderate parking

in Knapton. People were parking over people's drives. Numbers of cars parking had increased due to the Rufforth with Knapton bridleway and the play area. It was agreed that double yellow lines would not be appropriate but T-bars were suggested across drop down kerbs as they could be enforced by CYC. The Parish Council were unable to do this for residents but each resident could apply to CYC for one.

- **Knapton Play Area:** the two residents present were unhappy that they hadn't been consulted on the play area, council had put questionnaires through everyone's doors. PR said that the PC had debated this and the cycle path fully and all had been minuted and posted on the website and in the noticeboards for a considerable time. When consulting on the Neighbourhood Plan there was overwhelming support for the cycle path. It was unfortunate that parking in Knapton was causing concern but anyone could use a council owned play area. It appeared that T-bars were the best solution. AH said she would look into the 2 residents' concerns to see what she could do to help. The Clerk would ask JF if the Play Area was insured for fire.

145 Finance: Monthly report

a) The following payments were proposed by MR, seconded by AM and agreed that they should be ratified:

Clerk: July salary + burial fees	£ 874.33
Kedel for recycled noticeboard for Knapton	£ 707.48
Realise Futures for Replacement bench	£ 493.44
Expenses to HB for Natural Burial Ground fixings	£ 49.85
Expenses to PR for Lawyer to witness signature	£ 10.00
Kompan for Knapton Play area equipment	£30284.10
Clerk August salary + burial fees	£ 634.13
AJT Garden Services for grass cutting	£ 204.00
Asgard for Allotments' Shed	£6397.60
CM Marketing Solutions for website content delivery 22/23	£ 840.00
PKF Littlejohn LLP for External Audit	£ 360.00

b) Payments Received:

Invoice 267 for NBG plot and interment	£ 900.00
Invoice 268 for BG pre purchase double plot	£ 900.00
Invoice 269 for NBG pre purchase plot	£ 900.00
Invoice 270 for NBG burial + plot	£1000.00
VAT reclaim	£7329.92
Aviva insurance claim (noticeboard)	£ 582.48
Donation Knapton Play Area	£ 150.00

c) Funds Available: £7111.92

d) Financial Management: PR reiterated current agreed financial policy ie 40% of all burial fees were going into the long term maintenance fund. General reserves were 1 years' precept + £3,500 for burial ground maintenance should there be a year without burials. Remaining funds would be available for agreed expenditure or for reducing the precept. PR proposed that we look at putting £50,000 into a longer term fund that attracted better interest rates. The Clerk would ask YLCA what they would recommend.

e) Snowdrops Rufforth – Knapton Bridleway: It was agreed by a show of hands that the parish council (PC) would fund the snowdrops and that the PC would cover the cost of weedkiller and fence repairs around the pond at the rear of the Tankard Pub. All would enhance the cycle path.

146 Burial Grounds:

a) Report on Burials: There had been one burial and another on the 20 September.

b) Maintenance in Burial Grounds: the work to the cemetery was due to start in two weeks time. NM would follow up on the quotes for the gates for both burials with S. Shepherd. One was to be donated.

HB asked that the resident who had worked so hard in the Natural Burial Ground be thanked. This was agreed.

147 Website: The A64 roadworks had been put on the website and the roadworks through the village would go on too. HB would have a look at the website re. burial grounds with CM Marketing to see what could be done to refresh it.

148 412 Bus Service: CYC have no funding for this service as it is a NYCC service. NYCC have been in talks with Conexions buses. PR would write to Craig Temple (Conexions) to see if there was progress in reinstating the Saturday service. PR felt NYCC would not let the service disappear altogether, there was a need to put out the message “Use it or Lose it”.

150 York Community Woodland: JF had made contact with the Forestry England manager of the woodland. JF to report at the next meeting.

151 Elections – These will be held next May. There are 5 councillors for Rufforth and 3 for Knapton, if more candidates come forward for either Ward then there is an election in that Ward. The Clerk will ask if it is permitted to put pen portraits of all candidates on the website.

152 Accidents: Cllr Victoria Kirk

- Wetherby end Rufforth: there had been 7 accidents, all the result of excess speed. All except 1 was a 1 vehicle accident. A 40mph buffer zone the same as at the East end of the village may help. This had been looked into previously but with evidence of accidents it could be worth going for it again. NM and VK would look into it.

- Crash Site, Bradley Lane: NM and VK will also look at the possibility of a 40mph zone here.

153 Rufforth Playing Fields’ Trust Deeds: The PFA have informally requested that the Trust Deeds for the Playing fields be passed to them. The playing fields were given to the village in trust. It is thought that the fledgeling trust decided to keep the deeds safe by giving them to the council to keep with their records. It was agreed that a search for the Deeds would be instigated. These will be looked for over the coming weeks and then a decision would be made at a future meeting as to whether it is appropriate that they should be returned to the trustees of the RPFA.

154 Representatives' Reports: To receive reports on meetings councillors have attended:

a) Rural West York Team and residents Forum Meetings: pot holes and speeding traffic were talked about and PC Lee Pointer was there. The Clerk will ask for his contact details.

b) York Branch Yorkshire Local Councils Association: AP attended the Joint Annual Meeting of the YLCA. The minutes are in the 5 August White Rose Update

c) Yorwaste Liaison Group: Litter was raised at the meeting, Yorwaste are no longer able to litter pick alongside a 60mph road due to health and safety. We need to report issues to Kevin Smith, Yorwaste, who will in turn ask CYC to litter pick.

d) Rufforth Playing Fields Association: nothing to report.

e) Cycle Path: AM said this needed a proper cut back end September/ beginning October. There are also cracks in the tarmac from the cattle crush to the cattle grid, they are a trip hazard. The Clerk will report to Alison Newbould. The tarmac is also uneven over Harewood Whin PR and AM would walk it and raise it at the next Yorwaste Liaison meeting. They would look at drainage too.

155 Minor Matters and Items for the Next Agenda: none raised.

156 Date of next meeting: Monday 3 October 2022 in Rufforth Village Hall starting at 7.30 p.m.

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