

Bishop Monkton Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 16th May 2023 in the Methodist Hall
Commencing at 7.00pm.

Minutes

2023/APM01 To confirm the Chairman for the meeting.

2023/APM02 The Chairman to open the meeting.

2023/APM03 To receive a report from the Parish Council Chairman.
Please see attached report appendix 1.
PC could do mail shot.

2023/APM04 To receive a report from County Councillor Nick Brown
Nick introduced himself to the meeting. He has facilitated numerous meetings with area 6 regarding highways. Flooding with North Yorks as this is a serious issue in Bishop Monkton. A meeting has recently taken place with Yorkshire water as 6 of his 16 parishes currently experience flooding resulting in sewage on the streets. There were 24 pages of minutes and 85 action points for YW to address. A major issue identified was sewage going into the beck in the village. Is answers are not received then it is intended to involve the Environment Agency. Unfortunately Cllr Brown has to step back slightly fro some of the issues being experienced as he has been appointed to sit on the planning committee for the area.

Other meetings have included the primary school. He has a grant allowance of 10K per year. A grant of £1500 was given to the school.

There were 7 districts that became one. 319 councillors now down to 90 with new NYC.

In July there may be some changes to the parliamentary boundaries. Bishop Monkton will be in this and become part of Easingwold and Wetherby. As far as NYC goes there is a lot of WIP which will take some time to evaluate. Waste/council tax. The forecast for the next three years is that there will be a deficit in funds so cost savings are being investigated. Some savings may come from the disposal of estates.

It is looking likely that there will be a mayor to cover both York and NYC. This should take place in 2024.

- A member of the public raised the issue that Yorks water have said that it will have to be lumped basically however it was very premature to approve any planning applications for the village.
- It was reported that in 2001 there were over 100 outflows of raw sewage. Yorks water are of the opinion that this is irrelevant and there are 2 points, operations and planning.
- What are the implications of the new parliamentary changes for Bishop Monkton – this cannot be answered yet as it has not been approved through parliament.

2023/APM05 To receive a report from the Coronation Commemoration Group.

Sheila advised that a notice had been circulated to the village asking for ideas to celebrate the kings coronation. It was decided that cups were not feasible again so soon following the jubilee. There have been three received, an oak tree at the playing fields, a drinking fountain outside the village hall for sports and community attendees to reduce plastic bottles. To construct a coronation walk, the development of a circular walk of some 3.5 miles, starting/ending at the Masons Arms. It was suggested that the walk start at the village hall. It was noted that there is already an oak tree at the village hall and another one to be planted by the school.

2023/APM06 To receive a report from the Village Hall Committee.

Please see attached report Appendix 2

Petank / Boules??? There are 2 pitches built courtesy of Kebble. Gerald is dealing.

2023/APM07 To receive a report from BMAG.

Informally started in 2020. Since then with help of residents have 177 fb group members/ email news to 80+ people on a regular basis. Bmag is involved in looking at major developments, in local terms more than 10 that would have a major impact on the infrastructure of the village, Primary object is that they are correct for the village, do not have impact on infrastructure, road safety, flooding, and finally to preserve the character of the village. It is about identifying the impacts of the developments to ensure that the principles are being met and any flaws are linked to planning policy to support the representations that are then submitted on behalf of the village. This has assisted in forcing the statutory authorities to look at the plans and has resulted in meetings between the authorities and BMAG/PC.

Communication is kept throughout the village. They all know that flooding is a major issue in the village and has become worse in the last 20+ years. There is grave concern over the view of the local authorities who use national policies which are not necessarily to the local area in question, ie Bishop Monkton. Road safety/pedestrian safety. They are all narrow winding tracks not suitable to todays traffic and

YW would not accept that there are serious issues in BM although they did acknowledge that improvement is required.

The three applications – Avant has withdrawn, although it is suspected they will resubmit within 12 months, possibly due to being advised by the planning authority that the application will not be approved. Caravans/holiday cottages, not in local plan, submitted during covid. It is for `12 months use. Kebble, the hearing

is on 6th June by committee. Concerns with this application is to do with the 40 metre hedge loss. It is acknowledge that this wil harm the village although this is not seen as an issue by planning. The hedge is to be removed to install the attenuation tanks. Alternative suggestions have been made by BMAG however these have been dismissed by the planners.

- MOP raised the issue that all three applications should be heard together however this is not the case despite assurances that were given. The officers report for the Kebble development to be heard 06.06.2023 recommends approval. This gives raise to concern that the caravan development will automatically be passed by an officer as it does not qualify to be called into committee.

2023/APM08 To receive a report from Kenneth Barker re Bishop Monkton Flood Wardens and their work in the community.
There are 4 BM flood wardens authorized by EA. Communications are sent to the wardens. They remove vegetation from the beck floor to help alleviate flooding problems and thanks were given to PC for the funding they supply in helping with this.

2023/APM09 To receive reports from any other groups in the village.
Yorks Amb Service community responder. There is a new system in place. They are called out as soon as an ambulance is called to a problem. They are working withing a 3 mile radius. Cat 1 Heart Attacks. Cat 2 Fitting/Seizures. They are currently looking for more volunteers.

2023/APM10 Public Open Forum.

1. Lived in Hungate for 21 years. Has been writing to NYC about the drains outside her house. When it rains a lake appears outside her house. Once this has cleared up there is a lot of mud and grit left.

The meeting closed at 20.48 hours.