

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 15th April 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, S. I. Clements, R. S. Hall, A. J. Davison, J. Bell + Police Inspector Lynne Smith.

Apologies for Absence received from Coun. J. M. Salmon.

Minutes The Minutes of the Annual Assembly and of the previous Council Meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Inspector Smith spoke of police work in general and of the problems encountered at Thirsk. Coun. Murkett stated that he hoped the Inspector would have a long stay at Thirsk. Coun. Loveden expressed concern that telephone calls to Thirsk Police Station are re-directed from a central exchange. The subjects of car alarms, drugs and under age drinking were discussed. Coun. Clements referred to an 'early warning' system which exists between shopkeepers in the town regarding shoplifters etc. Inspector Smith told members that the quality of service provided by the police is very important.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Annual Assembly

Junction of Market Place/Castlegate Nothing reported.

Council Meeting

Bus Shelter The Clerk reported that the grants from the District and County Councils have been received. An account for the balance of the cost of the shelter was being presented for payment. The first instalment having been paid by the Post Office. Complaints were made that York Stone, as indicated on the plan, had not been used for the base of the shelter and that the gullies outside the east end of the shelter are dangerous. These matters to be brought to the attention of the Chief Planning Officer.

Inventory Inventory of Little Green shed still awaited.

Town Map Letter presented from Codair stating that because of the many late amendments to the map the project will be delayed for publication until around mid May.

Heavy Traffic & Skipton Bridge Nothing reported.

Play & Amenity Areas - East Thirsk Nothing reported.

Christmas Lights The Clerk reported that compensation of £95.00 has been received from the Clerk to the Justices.

North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service Review No comments had been received to be forwarded to the District Council for 11th April. Comments for the North Yorkshire County Council to be brought to the next meeting. It was reported that the Chief Fire Officer is to attend a meeting of the Chamber of Trade to which members of the Town Council are invited.

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Town Clock Letter received from Municipal Mutual Insurance stating that it is in order to proceed with the necessary work on the clock dial and pointing out that the Council are required to pay the first £100.00 of malicious damage claims. Notice received from Wm. Potts & Sons that the work will be carried out on 16th April.

Trees - The Holmes The Clerk reported that cheques of £16.00 each had been received from Mr. Peter Benson and Dr. Brenda Thiede. A letter from Dr. Thiede stated that at some future date she, together with her family, would like to plant and mark some trees on The Holmes to commemorate her late husband's life. It was agreed to accept Dr. Thiede's offer and to notify her when the next tree planting is to take place. Coun. Roberts to remind the Rotary Club and Inner Wheel of their promise to pay for trees.

Bollard - Ingramgate Although the bollard is not the responsibility of the County Council, Mr. Woods had agreed, in the interests of public safety, to remove it and make the area safe.

Trees - Ingramgate Coun. Roberts to ask if the Rotary Club will provide replacement trees for Ingramgate as they had offered more than one tree for The Holmes where only one had been planted on their behalf. It was pointed out that it is not now the right season for tree planting. It was agreed to draw Mr. Woods' attention to the poor reinstatement by Northern Electric following work in Ingramgate and to seek compensation from Northern Electric for the loss of daffodil bulbs.

Canadian Memorial - Skipton Bridge Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that authorisation be given for a wreath to be purchased for the Mayor to lay at the Canadian Memorial'. Agreed.

Correspondence

Audit Notice received that the audit will take place at the Civic Centre, Northallerton on 3rd June 1991.

Application for Licence Notice received of the intention of Mr. Hasan & Mrs. Shefila Ahmad to apply for a Restaurant Licence in respect of The Star of India, 42, Long Street India. It was pointed out that a planning application in connection with the premises has been refused.

Notice Board - East Thirsk Letter received from the Secretary E.T.C.A. stating that they have taken delivery of the notice board which has been erected adjacent to the post box, and thanking the Town Council for their help in obtaining it.

Play Equipment - The Holmes Engineer's report received on the play equipment stating that the condition of the equipment is in order and no action is required.

Skip Emptying Charges Letter presented from F. D. Todd & Sons stating that due to recent increases in tipping fees, wages and fuel costs it is necessary to increase their charges to £40.00 + V.A.T.

Yorkshire Local Councils Association Letter presented regarding subscriptions.

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Parish/Town Council Elections Letter received from the Returning Officer stating that eleven nominations have been received and accepted for the eleven seats on the Town Council. An election will not now take place.

Former Post Office Letter received from the Chief Planning Officer stating that the Post Office plaque is sited as agreed by the Planning Committee.

Disc Parking Scheme - Proposed Modifications Drawings and Schedule showing the type and location of the proposed signs to be erected in connection with the amended scheme, received from the Planning Officer. It was pointed out that, although listed on the Schedule, double yellow lines were not indicated on the plans.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0406A</u>	Mr. & Mrs. Tame	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0416</u>	Mr. P. Reynolds	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0293B</u>	Mr. F. Ahmed	Refused

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

<u>2/91/152/0020C</u>	Extension to Existing Bungalow & Construction of a Domestic Garage at Bridge Cottage, Old Sutton Road for Mr. C. M. Schmuck. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0420</u>	Outline Application for the Construction of a Bungalow at Rear of 9, St. Giles Close for Mr. J. Brannon. <u>Recommend Refusal on the grounds that the single track access is inadequate to service more than the existing dwelling. Point out that an application by D. Garner & Sons in May 1986 to construct 3 dwellings on the whole site was refused for that reason.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0310D</u>	Change of Use of Existing First Floor Offices to a Health & Beauty Salon at the Old Post Office for Mrs. Yvonne Taylor. <u>No Objections to Change of Use but express concern about any required signage above the entrance door.</u>
<u>2/91/009/0119</u>	Construction of a Cold Storage Building with Office Accommodation at Thirsk Industrial Park (Parish of Bagby) for Brake Bros (Frozen Foods) Ltd. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/139/0112F</u>	Alterations and Extensions to Lambert Memorial Hospital (Parish of Sowerby) for Northallerton Health Authority. <u>Recommend Approval.</u>
<u>2/91/139/0395</u>	Alterations and Extension to Existing Dwelling and Shop to Form a Doctors Surgery with First Floor Flat

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and Associated Parking Space with Vehicular Access at 2, Chapel Street for Dr. J. Donald & Partners. The Council understand that there is a possibility of proposed dual use of the Car Park with Thirsk and Sowerby Institute. The Council would not support the construction of a Car Park with access past the main entrance of the hospital unless the applicant can secure it out of surgery hours.

2/91/139/0395F

Listed Building Consent in connection with above application.
No Objections.

It was agreed to notify the Chairman of Northallerton Health Authority of this Council's objections to a shared Car Park.

Accounts The following Accounts were approved for payment. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.) -	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - April	-	£ 355.50✓
Yorkshire Water -	Water Charges - Cem. Lodge - 1st ½ Year-	£	85.58✓
Northern Electric -	V.A.T. on Christmas Lights Account	-	£ 57.30✓
Yorkshire L.C.A. -	Subscription, Review & Stationery	-	£ 180.55✓

Additional Accounts

Andy Thornton	-	Balance on Bus Shelter	-	£4097.23✓
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Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

Florence May Ellis	Grave Space 23	Section E2	-	£ 70.00
Audrey Hurn	Grave Space 5	Section E3	-	£ 70.00

Change of Account Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the funds in the Nationwide Anglia Building Society be transferred to a Treasurer's Account in order to receive gross interest'. Agreed.

Reports

Coun. Murkett reported that as Chairman of the Finance Sub Committee he could not recommend spending money on the footpath across The Holmes. Other members had also inspected the path and were in agreement with Coun. Murkett.

Coun. Murkett reported that one of the Roman Geese has died. There are many ducklings on the Cod Beck.

Coun. Clements reported that he had received a map of definitive rights of way from the County Council and confirmation that the whole of the Greens are Registered Common Land. Mr. Jukes, the Local Councils Officer had offered to visit The Greens and give his advice on the situation. It was agreed to arrange a meeting with Mr. Jukes.

Coun. Hall reported on the meeting with the Chamber of Trade held to discuss the Christmas Lights. It had been decided to commence a scheme of 'all white' lights from Christmas 1991 which will be less expensive than coloured lights. The Chamber of Trade's efforts will fluctuate from year to year depending on income and enthusiasm. Coun.

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Clements stated that the Council should concentrate on the public areas of the town.

Coun. Bell reported on a very successful Annual General Meeting of the Civic Society. Dr. Brenda Thiede has replaced Coun. Salmon as Chairman.

Any Other Business

Cemetery Coun. Murkett stated that he had received a complaint from Mr. J. Brannon that tree roots have grown into a relative's grave causing it to tilt. Coun. Loveden had been advised by the L.C.A. not to take any action unless it causes a danger. A tree expert had stated that there are no trees likely to cause a problem to any grave. Members were of the opinion that the tilting was due to natural subsidence. It was agreed to tell Mr. Brannon that the Council would not object to him straightening up the grave at his own expense and under the supervision of the Cemetery Superintendent.

Skate Boards Coun. Clements stated that he had been asked if the Council have any land where a skate board ramp could be sited.

Fence - The Holmes Coun. Roberts stated that the County Council are prepared to repair the fence alongside the path to the white bridge with galvanised mesh which would be out of keeping with the area and suggested that the Town Council consider contributing towards the cost of white wooden fencing. Mr. Woods to be consulted and this matter to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Garage - Chapel Street Coun. Bell had received complaints about old tyres at a disused garage in Chapel Street. The owner to be asked to remove them.

Litter Bin Coun. Davison requested that the District Council be reminded of their promise to replace the litter bin outside the 'Herriot' surgery with a more suitable one.

Cemetery Coun. Craig stated that new ropes are required for lowering coffins in the Cemetery and details are being sought of where they can be obtained.

Parking for the Disabled Coun. Roberts commented that parking spaces for the disabled are a great distance from the toilets in Millgate Car Park.

Clean Up Day The Chairman thanked those members who assisted with Clean Up Day.

Challenge Coun. Roberts stated that she is arranging a challenge between this Council and the 3 neighbouring Councils in aid of the Friarage Scanner Appeal.

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.


Chairman

13/5/91

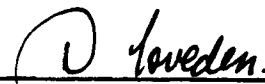
Minutes of a Meeting of the Cemetery Sub Committee held in the Court House after the Council Meeting on Monday, 15th April 1991

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman of the Council), H. D. Craig, Mrs. F. M. Roberts (Chairman of the Sub Committee), D. S. Murkett, R. S. Hall, S. I. Clements.

Minutes The Minutes of the Sub Committee meeting, held on 18th March, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Cemetery Superintendent The agreed warning letter, signed by the Chairman, had been sent to the Cemetery Superintendent by Recorded Delivery.

Cemetery Lodge It was agreed that the flat roof over the bathroom and toilet should be inspected and a meeting was arranged at the Cemetery for Thursday, 25th April.



Chairman

13/5/91

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 13th May 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D.S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, B. W. Garthwaite, A. J. Morton, Miss J. Marshall, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, S. I. Clements, R. S. Hall. J. M. Salmon, J. Bell.

All Members signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Chair was taken by the retiring Chairman, Coun. Loveden, who welcomed the new Members to the Council.

Election of Chairman Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that Coun. Loveden be elected Chairman'. Unanimously Agreed.

Coun. Loveden signed the Declaration of Office as Chairman.

Election of Vice Chairman Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that Coun. Murkett be elected Vice Chairman'. Unanimously Agreed.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Appointment of Representatives

Thirsk & Sowerby Civic Society Coun. Roberts.

Thirsk & Sowerby Flatts Preservation Trust Coun. Garthwaite.

Hambleton Sports Council Coun. Hall.

Thirsk & Sowerby Town Hall Couns. Roberts, Loveden & Craig.

Hambleton Citizens Advice Bureau Coun. Salmon.

Local Councils Association Couns. Murkett & Roberts. Deputy - Coun. Marshall.

Parish Map Coun. Clements.

Conservation Area Advisory Group Coun. Bell.

Community Care Association Coun. Morton.

Charities Couns. Roberts & Craig.

Thirsk Further Education Centre Coun. Morton.

Liaison with East Thirsk Community Association Coun. Salmon.

Sub Committees

The Holmes & Greens Couns. Clements (Chairman), Bell & Morton.

Footpaths & Rights of Way Couns. Craig (Chairman), Garthwaite & Marshall.

Cemetery Couns. Hall (Chairman), Salmon, Roberts & Craig.

Planning Couns. Bell (Chairman), Morton, Roberts & Murkett.

Christmas Lights Couns. Hall (Chairman), Craig, Marshall & Garthwaite.

Finance Couns. Murkett (Chairman), Morton & Salmon.

Amenities Couns. Roberts (Chairman), Garthwaite, Clements & Marshall.

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The Chairman gave members Terms of Reference for the Sub Committees as a guideline.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Bus Shelter A letter from the Chief Planner stated that the use of textured concrete slabs as opposed to natural York Stone paving slabs was purely financial and had been carried out with the agreement of the Head of Planning Services, Mr. S. Q. Quartermain. The original design and layout of the shelter involved the positioning of the structure 'hard up' against the kerb and would have required the construction of two new gullies with extensive underground drainage works which could not have been afforded within the fixed budget of the shelter. The arrangement adopted is no more dangerous to pedestrians than before bearing in mind that the gully grating has not been altered and that generally pedestrians will enter the shelter from the footpath on the south side. Coun. Craig stated that a plate should be sited over the gully and that the litter bin which is causing an obstruction should be moved. Coun. Murkett stated that the Principal Engineer has agreed that these matters will be attended to. Coun. Murkett was given permission to obtain quotations for the weekly cleaning of the bus shelter windows. The Clerk reported that confirmation has been received from the Post Office Architect, Mr. D. Richold, that Walter Thompsons have now completed all the work in accordance with the drawings and specification and that it is in order to pay their invoice.

Town Map This should be delivered in the very near future.

Inventory Still awaited.

Heavy Traffic & Skipton Bridge Nothing reported.

Play & Amenity Areas - East Thirsk Nothing reported.

Ingramgate The Clerk reported that Mr. Woods will inspect the reinstatement and that Northern Electric will make recompense for the loss of the daffodil bulbs.

Disc Parking Scheme - Proposed Modifications Plan received showing the areas for double yellow lines. This to be examined by the Planning Sub Committee.

Construction of a Doctors Surgery on Land Adjacent to the Lambert Memorial Hospital Reply awaited from the Northallerton Health Authority.

Fire and Rescue Service Review Coun. Roberts had studied the Consultation Document and made comments on the proposals. It was agreed that Coun. Roberts comments be forwarded to the County Fire Officer. A letter from the Chamber of Trade invited three members of the Town Council to their meeting on 4th June which is to be attended by a representative of the County Fire Officer. Couns. Loveden, Roberts and Salmon to attend.

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Report on Cemetery Sub Committee Meeting Coun. Roberts reported on the meeting held at the Cemetery on 25th April. The flat roof above the bathroom at Cemetery Lodge is leaking. The Cemetery Superintendent to obtain three quotations for remedial work including U.P.V.C. fascia boards. Quotations to be sought for bricking up the gateway to Wetlands Lane with bricks to match the existing wall and utilising the metal bars from the gates where possible. Quotations, per yard, to be sought for replacing paths in concrete: N.Y.C.C. to be asked if they can supply a specification. The Council to pay for the cost of materials for re-bedding coping stones on the walls (as per Cemetery Superintendent's contract). Enquiries to be made regarding replacement of missing railings on Cemetery Walls. Conifers planted to mask the skip need replacing. There is no evidence of any tree root damage to graves. A fire and damp proof cabinet is required in which to store Burial Registers. To facilitate grass cutting it is proposed to remove kerbs from graves more than fifty years old if, after advertising the intention, there are no objections. The Cemetery Superintendent to be reminded that the office is for Burial Board use only. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the report be accepted and recommendations implemented.' Agreed.

Land at Hambleton Park Letter received from the Chief Planner enclosing a plan showing areas of open space which the developer, Barratt Newcastle Ltd, is wishing to have adopted as public open space. The Town Council's views are being sought as to whether, in principle, they would be willing to accept responsibility for ownership and ongoing maintenance for five of the marked areas. The developer will be obliged to make a commuted sum payment in respect of the ongoing maintenance, calculated to be the equivalent cost of maintaining the areas for a period of 12.45 years. Should the Town Council agree to assume responsibility, the commuted sum would be passed to them. There is some doubt as to whether adoption of one of the areas is desirable and the matter is being investigated at the present time. A site meeting was arranged to inspect the areas.

Fence Alongside the Cod Beck Letter presented from Mr. Woods stating that the fence alongside the Cod Beck between St. James' Green and The Holmes was found, in parts, to be in very poor condition with the only satisfactory solution being to replace it. As it would be a costly operation the work would be done over a period of two years. The two alternatives for the replacement fence are to provide a type of fence in wood, similar to the existing or to erect one of tubular steel. The cost of the tubular steel fence is slightly more expensive but the wood fence is more costly to erect, more prone to vandalism and more difficult to repair. The County Council do not have the resources to carry out regular painting of wooden fences but if that type of fence is chosen and the Town Council will provide the labour, the County Council will supply paint and brushes. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Clements 'that the County Council be requested to provide a new wooden fence, with wire mesh, and that the Town Council accept responsibility for painting'. Agreed.

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Correspondence

Health Authority Trusts Consultation documents in connection with York Health Authority and the Friarage Hospital becoming Health Authority Trusts were presented to be circulated to members with comments at the July meeting. Coun. Marshall Declared an Interest as a Health Authority employee.

Miss Ethel Johnson Deceased Letter presented from Latimer Hinks, Solicitors, acting for the children of the late Frank Johnson who, along with Thirsk Town Council, are beneficiaries under the Will of the late Miss Ethel Johnson. The letter enquired whether the Council would be agreeable to receiving a cash sum in exchange for their Clients receiving the late Ethel Johnson's two thirds share and interest in the property bequeathed to them under Miss Johnson's Will. An extract from Miss Johnson's Will states 'I Devise to my Trustees the land adjoining the Cod Beck known as The Carrs (otherwise known as "the Green Sports Field") in Thirsk Upon Trust to vest the same in trustees appointed by the Town Council to be used for the extension of recreational activities of the Town including children's sports annually'. Members agreed that they are totally opposed to selling land left to the people of Thirsk in the custodianship of the Town Council.

Street Naming & Numbering - Persimmon Homes, Long Street Letter presented from the Chief Planner inviting the Town Council to suggest suitable names for four roads on Phase II of the development and for five additional houses at the entrance to the estate. Suggestions to be forwarded are: Road A Craig's Way. Road B Johnson Close. Road C Millers Road. Road D The Orchard. The houses at the entrance to be known as Old Mill Row, Rymer Way.

Thirsk Hall Estate A letter stated that due to increased administration costs, the rent on the five Town Council accounts will be increased to £1.00 each as from 1st January 1992. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that the increase be accepted'. Agreed. Coun. Bell Declared an Interest as landowner.

Lower Troughs Letter received from Mrs. Baylay stating that as a teacher of First Years at Thirsk School it is her aim to involve the children in Thirsk and its surroundings. With this in mind the children will take over responsibility for the flower troughs in the Market Place, raising money at school to buy plants etc. This was gratefully accepted.

Yorkshire Day Letter received from the L.C.A. asking how many representatives of the Town Council will be at the Yorkshire Day Ceremony. The Mayor and Mayoress to attend.

Tree Damage Notification received that the W. I. tree on The Holmes has been damaged. Coun. Bell to investigate.

Playground Safety It was agreed to accept an annual free inspection of The Holmes playground equipment by Wicksteed Leisure.

Thirsk Parish Map Trust Group Copy of the Minutes of the A.G.M. presented.

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Edge Damage - St. James' Green A letter from Mr. Woods, Divisional Surveyor N.Y.C.C., stated that during a recent meeting with members of the Town Council he took the opportunity to examine the section of road between Millgate and Piper Lane where damage to the road edge and erosion of the Green is giving some cause for concern. An appropriate solution would be to carry out kerbing along this section of road which would provide edge support to the carriageway and enable the line of the Green to be clearly defined, resist erosion of the Green and improve the amenity of the locality. The section consists of two lengths, one of 50 metres and the other of 75 metres, the shorter length being the more seriously affected. The estimated costs of kerbing the two lengths would be £325.00 and £490.00 respectively. To provide turf behind the kerbs would cost an additional £60.00 and £90.00 respectively. Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Roberts 'To accept the prices quoted'. Agreed. The Chairman and Clerk to discuss the matter with Mr. Woods.

Damaged Seat - Hambleton Estate Letter received from Municipal Mutual Insurance asking if the seat is to be replaced and the cost of a replacement. It was agreed that the seat should be replaced with a metal one which would cost in the region of £140.00.

Mrs. Reynard Letter presented from Mrs. K. Reynard drawing attention to various matters including the parking of vehicles belonging to members of the South Road Flying Club on The Holmes, the need for replacement seats on The Holmes, wooden seats which need treating with preservative and replacement shrubs for the Mill Gardens. A letter to be sent to the Flying Club regarding parking. The Amenities Committee empowered to order seats for which funds were allocated in the budget. Funds had also been allocated for shrubs.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0045B</u>	Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0310D</u>	Mrs. Y. Taylor	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0420</u>	Jack Brannon	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0419</u>	Mr. J. Balmain	Granted
<u>2/90/152/0197</u>	Mr. C. B. Simpson	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0009H</u>	S & B Construction	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0303F</u>	Mrs. M. Selby	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0130E</u>	Youngers Yorkshire	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0418</u>	Mr. John Bell	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0293C</u>	Mr. F. Ahmed	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0366A</u>	British Telecom	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/91/152/0293D Alterations to Existing Shop Front at 42, Long Street for Mr. F. Ahmed.
Planning Sub Committee to inspect site and comment.

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- 2/91/152/0102L Display of 4 Internally & Externally Illuminated Signs at Woodhead & Bray, Station Road for Kuwait Petroleum (G.B.) Ltd.
No Objections to Externally Illuminated Signs but consider that Internally Illuminated Signs are Unnecessary.
- 2/91/152/0378A Layout of Land & Construction of 10 Flats with Associated Parking Space at Waterside for H.D.C.
Development on this site is welcomed but the design of the flats on this highly visible site is inappropriate and not sympathetic to the existing street scene. Point out that access is over Common Land, owned by Thirsk Hall Estates and leased to the Town Council.
- 2/91/152/0421 Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse & Construction of a Domestic Garage at 19, Springfield Close for Mr. D. Smith.
No Objections.
- 2/91/152/0422 Outline Application for the Construction of a Bungalow & Domestic Garage at Land Adjacent to Stoneydale, Cemetery Road for Mr. D. G. Collinson.
There is no Vehicular Access. Access as shown on the plan is from a Private Road. Notice has not been served on the Owner.

Accounts - Presented and Approved for Payment. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - May	-	£ 355.50✓
Power Point	-	Plug & Line for Strimmer	-	£ 5.55✓
Fox's Trophies	-	2 Bars for Badge of Office	-	£ 7.00✓
Potts of Leeds	-	Repairs to Town Clock (as quotation)	-	£ 212.67✓
John Bell	-	Rent of The Holmes & Wayleaves	-	£ .48✓
M. T. Shipton	-	Removing Rubbish from Mill Gardens	-	£ 32.00✓
" "	-	Moving Damaged Seat - Hambleton Est.	-	£ 32.00✓
Wakefield M.D.C.	-	Stationery, Discs, etc. from Y.P.O.	-	£ 97.31✓
K. Cartman	-	Half Cost of Alarm System - Town Hall	-	£ 981.52✓

Additional Accounts

Thirsk Motors	-	Petrol for Cemetery Grass Cutter	-	£ 20.88✓
F. D. Todd & Sons	-	Emptying Cemetery Skip	-	£ 47.00✓
Thirsk School Y.C.	-	Donation (Agreed Minutes Dec. 1990)	-	£ 200.00✓
Coun. Loveden	-	Chairman's Allowance - 1991/92	-	£ 100.00✓
Nat. Savings Bank	-	Transfer to Gratuity Account	-	£ 750.00✓
Walter Thompson	-	Work in connection with Bus Shelters	-	£2350.00✓
C. E. Walker	-	Grass Cutting - 2 x April - 1 x May	-	£ 250.28✓
J. Cartman	-	Conifers for the Cemetery	-	£ 18.00✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

Jeffrey Calvert	Grave Space 6	Section E3	-	£ 77.00
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Lilian Hoggart	Grave Space 21	Section E2	£ 77.00 -
Mary Spence	Grave Space 56	Section P	£ 77.00 -

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Reports

Coun. Salmon reported on the Village Appraisal being carried out by the East Thirsk Community Association and gave notice that he may be requesting the Town Council to meet the cost of data base software which would be used to analyse the information.

Coun. Clements reported that the Council are working with the L.C.A. regarding The Greens.

The Chairman reported that the Mayor's Dinner raised £1,300.00 of which £500.00 had been donated to the Alzheimers Society and the remainder to the Friarage Hospital Scanner Fund.

Any Other Business

Complaints Coun. Murkett had received complaints from Mrs Vasey of Norby regarding The Holmes footpath, the Market Place flagstones and the bus shelter.

White Swan Yard Footpath Coun. Murkett stated that remedial work is to be carried out on this footpath in July.

Memorial Coun. Murkett stated that the family of the late Clifford Megson wish to spend in the region of £1000.00 on a suitable memorial to him. It was agreed that the Amenities Committee negotiate with the family.

Dog Fouling Coun. Marshall referred to the problems of dogs fouling on The Holmes. It was agreed to enquire of the Chief Environmental Health Officer the current situation regarding their plans to deal with this problem in the Hambleton District.

Car Boot Sales Coun. Roberts stated that the Chamber of Trade have complained to the District Council about the Sunday Car Boot Sales on the Racecourse where new goods are being sold. It was agreed to support the Chamber of Trade and suggest that the District Council charge the Racecourse Committee full business rates. Coun. Bell Declared an Interest.

Town Twinning Coun. Marshall agreed to explore the implications of Town Twinning.

Grass Cutting At the suggestion of Coun. Roberts it was agreed to consider the possibility of taking over responsibility for cutting small areas in Ingramgate, Norby and Kirkgate, which are currently cut for the County Council, if a contribution from the County Council can be negotiated.

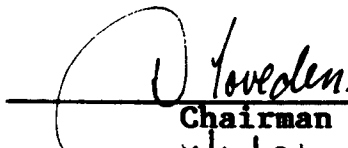
Bus Parking Sign Coun. Craig complained that there is no longer a sign indicating the Bus Parking area in the Market Place. It was agreed that this matter be taken up by whichever of the town's representatives on the District Council joins the Leisure & Amenities Committee.

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Hanging Baskets Coun. Craig stated the need for the Council's surplus hanging baskets to be removed from 'Yours Truly' to the shed on the Little Green. The Amenities Committee to decide if flowers are needed for these and the baskets currently in use.

Sympathy Coun. Salmon extended his sympathy to Coun. Bell on the death of his father and Coun. Bell thanked the Council for the condolences received from the Chairman on their behalf.

The meeting closed at 10.15 p.m.


Chairman
17/6/91

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 17th June 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, B. W. Garthwaite, A. J. Morton, Miss J. Marshall, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. Bell, S. I. Clements, J. M. Salmon.

Apologies for Absence received from Coun. R. S. Hall (Illness).

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig.

Tribute The Chairman paid tribute to the late Mrs. Kathleen Greensit who had represented this Council on the Governing Body of All Saints' R. C. School for many years.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Bus Shelter A letter from Municipal Mutual Insurance offered cover for the bus shelter against damage destruction by impact of any road vehicle, horse or cattle for a premium of £15.75 or 'All Risks' which would cover the bus shelter in respect of loss, damage or destruction by any fortuitous cause, subject to the usual Policy terms and exceptions for an additional £120.00. Cover being for £12,000.00. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Bell 'that 'All Risks' cover be taken on the bus shelter.' Agreed. A draft licence agreement from the Post Office, in respect of the small area of their land on which the bus shelter is sited, was presented for approval. The document to be studied before signing.

Town Map The new Town Maps have been delivered.

Inventory Coun. Roberts presented an inventory of the contents of the Little Green shed.

Heavy Traffic & Skipton Bridge Coun. Murkett reported that the County Surveyor has agreed to a further survey being carried out. A weight restriction on the road from the A1 to Skipton Bridge via Ainderby Quernhow has been agreed upon.

Play & Amenity Areas - East Thirsk Nothing reported.

Ingramgate The Clerk reported that Northern Electric will pay compensation of £30.00 for daffodil bulbs.

Doctors' Surgery - Chapel Street Letter from the Northallerton Health Authority stated that land for the new surgery is a private transaction between the General Practitioners and the Institute. If planning permission is granted, every effort will be made to ensure that there is a secure fence around the perimeter.

Fire & Rescue Service Review A letter from the County Fire Officer stated that the Public Protection Committee will be made aware of this Council's views. Coun. Salmon, reporting on the Chamber of Trade meeting, stated that he had been impressed by the reassurance given by the Fire Officer's representative and stated that there is a problem with the recruitment of personnel. Coun. Roberts & Coun. Murkett stated that every effort should be made to retain the present cover.

Street Naming Notification received that Hambleton District Council have accepted the suggested names for roads on the Persimmon Homes development on Long Street.

Tree Damage Coun. Bell reported that the W. I. tree appears to be alright.

Edge Damage - St. James' Green The Clerk reported that one of the verges referred to by Mr. Woods is in the vicinity of the proposed entrance to the Waterside development. Work on the other verge will be carried out later in the year.

Damaged Seat - Hambleton Estate Letter from Municipal Mutual Insurance sanctioned a replacement seat at a cost of £140.00. Coun. Roberts stated that a metal seat has been ordered.

Car Boot Sales - Thirsk Racecourse A letter from the Chief Executive's department stated that a temporary market can be held on 14 days within a calendar year without planning permission. The District Council's Treasurer has been asked to contact the District Valuer to ascertain whether the use of the racecourse for markets would warrant a revaluation of the property for rating purposes.

Grass Cutting Mr. Woods had stated that he will be happy to negotiate with the Town Council with regard to grass cutting.

Dog Control in Hambleton District A letter from the Chief Environmental Health Officer stated that the Council has embarked upon a scheme of education relating to dog fouling problems with its 'Hambleton Cares' campaign. Current byelaws are being enforced and steps are being taken to obtain prosecutions - two of which are now being prepared. A Dog Warden service will be introduced in April 1992.

Easingwold/Thirsk Corridor - Road and Powerlines Letter presented from Grant Sterling acting for The National Grid Company with respect to the Teesside Power Project and particularly with reference to the proposed reinforcement of the grid system in the vicinity of Teesside, extending south to Shipton, north of York. Open evenings are being arranged to ensure that the public are aware of the proposals and it is hoped to hold one in the Thirsk or Sowerby and including Bagby, Balk, Dalton and Thirkleby parishes. Coun. Murkett suggested that the L.C.A. should be involved to include all the parishes in Hambleton South and the County Council involved because of the road aspect. It was agreed that Coun. Murkett contact the L.C.A. and County Council.

Site Meeting - Hambleton Park Coun. Marshall reported that members had inspected the sites referred to in the Planning Department's letter. It was considered that some of the sites would be a danger for children as they are not overlooked by houses. A letter from the Chief Executive's department referred to land off Favenfield Road, which, it has been decided, should be kept as an open space and play equipment fixed upon it. Another area of land has been fenced in by the owner of 26, Favenfield Road which could also become open space with play equipment. It has been proposed that the District Council

obtain the land from Barratts and transfer it to the Town Council if they are agreeable. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Marshall 'that this Council take into ownership all the areas of land providing that there are no restrictions placed upon them by Barratts.' Agreed. It was pointed out that both the Planning Officer and Chief Executive had referred to the same areas of land and agreed that they should be asked to get together and discuss their proposals.

Amenities Sub Committee Coun. Roberts reported on a meeting of the Sub Committee. Three metal seats have been ordered - two for The Holmes and one for the Hambleton Estate. An existing seat on The Holmes is being repaired. The flower troughs in the Market Place have been planted by schoolchildren. Mr. Cartman has donated plants and shrubs for Mill Gardens. It is intended to plant surplus shrubs on the Pinfold area of the Little Green. Coun. Roberts praised Mrs. Reynard's hard work in Mill Gardens. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Morton 'that Mrs. Reynard's hourly rate be increased from £2.50 to £3.00.' Agreed.

East Thirsk Community Association Summer Playscheme Letter presented from the Chairman of E.T.C.A requesting a donation towards extending the playscheme from one to two weeks at a total cost of £800.00. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Bell 'that this Council underwrite any shortfall to a maximum of £200.00.' Agreed.

Village Appraisal (Coun. Marshall declared an interest). Letter presented from the Chairman of E.T.C.A. requesting financial support for the 'Village Appraisal' to be carried out by E.T.C.A. It was agreed that a decision regarding this be deferred to the next meeting.

Beacon Europe Details presented of 'Beacon Europe' which will involve the lighting of thousands of beacons throughout Europe on 31st December 1992 to celebrate the advent of the Single European Market. It was agreed to pass on the information to the Round Table.

Correspondence

Y.L.C.A. - A.G.M. & Training Weekend Details presented of the A.G.M. & Training Weekend to be held at Bradford & Ilkley Community College on 7th/8th September, with a charge for Residents of £56.00 + £9.80 V.A.T. and Non Residents £36.00 + £6.30 V.A.T. Members interested in attending to put their names forward at the July meeting.

Planning Appeal Notification received that the appeal by Mr. A Arbon has been dismissed.

Market Place Improvement Scheme -Phases IIIA & B It was agreed that the plans for the scheme be discussed at the next Planning Sub Committee meeting.

Citizens Advice Bureau A.G.M. Notice received that the A.G.M. of Hambleton C.A.B. will be held at Northallerton Grammar School on 3rd July 1991.

Barclays Bank Letter presented from Barclays Bank stating that they propose to discontinue the facility of returning paid cheques to customers with effect from 20th July. If is absolutely necessary for

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customers to receive their cheques there will be a charge of £1.80 per statement sheet supplied with paid cheques. Some members objected to a charge being made. It was suggested that enquiries be made regarding Building Society current accounts. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Morton 'that the matter be left to the Finance Sub Committee'. Agreed.

Complaint re: The Holmes Footpath Letter of complaint received from Mrs. Vasey of Norby regarding the condition of the footpath across The Holmes. It was agreed that this Council are not prepared to spend £600.00 to resurface a footpath which is considered to be adequate for its purpose as a country walk. Several members had walked the footpath and could find no cause for complaint.

Street Sweeping Letter presented from the Chief Environmental Health Officer stating that under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 there are changes to the financing of street sweeping and there will no longer be a requirement for Parish/Town Councils to make a contribution towards the costs. Future costs will be borne by the District Council. Coun. Murkett recommended that the amount set aside for street sweeping should be used to improve certain areas of the town.

Environmental Protection Act 1990 A further letter from the Chief Environmental Health Officer stated that the Act places new duties on District Councils for the cleaning of certain land to which the public have access and requires the Council to zone its land in accordance with the Code of practice and to publicise the zones throughout its district. The maps and schedules will be on display at the Housing Office, 14 a, Market Place from 1st July to 31st August.

Hackney Carriages and Private Hire Vehicles Notice received that Hambleton District Council intend to pass a resolution to adopt the provisions of Part II of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1976 in respect of the licensing of hackney carriages and private hire vehicles within the District of Hambleton.

Governing Body of All Saints' R. C. School Letter presented from Rev. O'Brien regarding the replacement of the late Mrs. Greensit as this Council's representative. Enquiries to be made regarding the procedure to be carried out.

North Yorkshire Playing Fields Association Notification received that Annual subscriptions are now banded depending on the number of chargepayers in the Parish. Thirsk being in the category of 2000 - 15000 chargepayers the subscription will be £25.00. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig 'that a subscription of £25.00 be paid.' Agreed.

N.P.F.A Notification received that the A. G. M. will be held at the L.C.A. headquarters on 8th July.

Planning Decisions

2/91/152/0102L Kuwait Petroleum (GB) Ltd

Refused

2/91/152/0422 Mr. D. G. Collinson

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<u>2/91/152/0421</u>	Mr. D. Smith	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0020C</u>	Mr. C. M. Schmuck	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0378A</u>	Hambleton District Council	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

<u>2/91/152/0423</u>	Construction of a Domestic Garage at 12, Tranmire Close for Mrs. Kinnear. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0424</u>	Use of Part of Existing Racecourse for Car Boot Sales with Car Parking Spaces at Thirsk Racecourse for Great Northern Antique & Collectors Fairs. <u>Recommend Refusal on the grounds of disturbance and nuisance to residents of Station Road every Sunday & Bank Holidays and highway problems with traffic congestion. Point out that there is no reference to the period of time covered by the application.</u> <u>Coun. Bell Declared an Interest.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0126T</u>	Alterations to Royal Oak Hotel for Thirsk Investments Ltd. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0126U</u>	Listed Building Consent for Above Application. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0357A</u>	Display of an Internally Illuminated Fascia Sign and a Non Illuminated Projecting Sign at 5A, Finkle Street for Yorkshire Building Society Estate Agent. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0393A</u>	Display of an Internally Illuminated Fascia Sign and an Externally Illuminated Projecting sign at 20 -22, Market Place for Nationwide. <u>Recommend Refusal. The proposed use of perspex as the background for the fascia board is deplored as out of keeping with the aims of the Conservation Area</u> <u>It is also against H.D.C. guidelines to permit Internally Illuminated signage in such a sensitive area. The hanging sign should be of more suitable materials.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0425</u>	Alterations & Extensions to Existing Dwellinghouse & Domestic Garage at Stoneleigh, Barbeck for Mr. & Mrs. Goacher. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0164B</u>	Outline Application for the construction of a Pair of Semi Detached Bungalows at rear of 24, Long Street for Mr. W. Rukin. <u>No Objections.</u>

Accounts The following accounts were approved for payment. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - June	- £355.50
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol	- £ 11.07

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Power Point	- Oil & 8 weeks Hire of Cutter	-	£149.81✓
P. Smith	- Salary - April - June	£495.00✓	
	Administrative Expenses	£ 86.58✓	
	Travel Expenses to Audit	£ 12.10✓	- £593.68✓
Mrs. K. Reynard	- Preservative for Mill Garden Seats	-	£ 8.15✓
Rowley's Nurseries	- Wreath for Skipton Bridge Memorial	-	£ 15.00✓
Wakefield M.D.C.	- Stationery from Y.P.O.	-	£ 1.08✓
J. Cartman	- Shrubs, Peat & Bone Meal	-	£ 30.00✓
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 1 x May 1 x June	-	£166.85✓
Y.L.C.A.	- 2 Representatives at Yorkshire Day	-	£ 20.00✓
Yorks. R.C.C.	- Subscription	-	£ 10.00✓
<u>Additional Accounts</u>			
Mun. Mut. Ins.	- Premium on Combined Policy	-	£398.28✓
N.Y.P.F.A.	- Subscription	-	£ 25.00✓
Coun. Roberts	- Reimbursement of cost of Canes	-	£ 3.00✓
Mr. Mitchell	- Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows	-	£ 8.00✓

Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipt)

Wilson Braithwaite Grave Space 8 Section E3 - £ 77.00 ✓

Reports

Coun. Salmon reported that he had attended meeting of the C.A.B. and stated that the present service might not be maintained if Council funding is reduced. It was agreed to write to the District and County Councils urging them to continue funding to the C.A.B. Coun. Salmon had also attended a meeting of the E.T.C.A.

Coun. Morton reported that he had been unable to attend the Community Care Association A.G.M.

The Chairman reported that he had officially opened the town's Toy Library and attended the Volunteer Fair.

Coun. Clements reported that there had been a meeting of The Holmes & Greens Committee.

Coun. Murkett reported that a local window cleaner has been employed to clean the bus shelter windows for £2.00 each week. The drains at the side of the bus shelter have been covered and the litter bin moved.

Any Other Business

Seats Coun. Marshall had received complaints that it is impossible to pass with prams and wheelchairs when the seats on the path to the west of the bus shelter are occupied.

Herriot Way Coun. Marshall had received a request for a swing to be sited on a grassed area on Herriot Way.

Royal Garden Party Coun. Roberts has been invited to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace.

Post Cards Post cards depicting the Parish Map are on sale.

Sign - Picks Lane Coun. Bell requested a sign or road lining at the junction of Picks Lane/Newsham Road to warn motorists that they are nearing a major road.

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Hospital Sign Coun. Craig reported that the 'Hospital' sign at the end of Chapel Street is pointing in the wrong direction.

Seats Coun. Craig reported that a seat at Old Sutton Road/Hambleton View and on on the Little Green are in need of repair. It was agreed that a complete survey of seats within the parish is required.

Fly Posting The Chairman stated that he had taken up the matter of 'fly posting' around the town with the District Council's Enforcement Officer who had informed him that the matter will be investigated and that prosecutions for this type of offence have already taken place.

Police Yard Coun. Murkett deplored the fact that a tarmac surface has replaced the winstone setts in the police station yard.

Cemetery Road It was agreed to ask the County Council to clear the footpath near the junction of Cemetery Road/Newsham Road which is so overgrown that prams and wheelchairs can not be pushed along it.

Bus Station Sign It was agreed to request a sign in the Market Place indicating the position of the bus station.

Cemetery Superintendent Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the Council go 'into Committee' to discuss the Cemetery Superintendent's contract'. Agreed.

It was reported that a meeting of the Cemetery Sub Committee had been held at which it was recommended that the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Sub Committee meet with the Cemetery Superintendent to discuss his contract. Prop. Coun. Loveden, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that the Sub Committee's recommendation be accepted.'
Voting - 9 in Favour - 1 Abstention.

The meeting closed at 10.15 p.m.



 Chairman

15/7/91

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 15th July 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, B. W. Garthwaite, A. J. Morton, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. M. Salmon, J. Bell, R. S. Hall, Miss J. Marshall

Apology for Absence received from Coun. S. I. Clements (Business commitment).

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Bus Shelter The Clerk reported that the Post Office have been requested to grant a lease rather than a licence in respect of the piece of their land on which the new bus shelter is sited.

Town Map Codair have asked to be notified of any amendments for the next publication. Coun. Salmon to liaise with the Tourist Information Centre over this.

Heavy Traffic Coun. Murkett stated that there will be problems with heavy traffic until after the A1 has been upgraded.

Play & Amenity Areas - East Thirsk Letter received from the Chief Executive's department with copies of letters to the E.T.C.A. regarding the acquisition of land for a Community Centre and for a Children's Play Area. The letter regarding the Community Centre site was unclear and clarification is to be sought. Coun. Morton stated that the playground site has a manhole in the middle which requires a childproof cover. The Authority to be asked for this to be done before the land is handed over. The Community Centre site is being offered on lease at a rental of £250.00 per year payable by the E.T.C.A. The Town Council would need to enter into a lease with the District Council covenanting to pay the rental in the event of the District Council being unable to recover any monies from its sub-lessee, E.T.C.A.

Fire & Rescue Service Review Coun. Marshall reported on a public meeting attended by the Fire Brigade Union representative. Coun. Marshall stated that there had been no response from the District Council on the proposals. A copy of this Council's comments to be sent to the District Council with a request for support. Coun. Marshall also stated that there is to be a petition against the proposed cuts. Coun. Hall stated that it will be more difficult to man one fire engine than two due to the reluctance of employers to release staff to be on standby.

Car Boot Sales Letter received from residents of Station Road congratulating the Council on their stand against Car Boot Sales on the racecourse. The Clerk reported that planning permission has been granted for Car Boot Sales to take place on Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays between 1st April and 30th September this year but that no activity must take place on the site before 8.30 a.m.

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Land at Hambleton Park Nothing reported.

Village Appraisal Nothing reported.

L.C.A. Annual General Meeting and Training Weekend Prop. Coun. Craig, sec. Coun. Hall 'that the Council pay the fees for two members to attend the Training Weekend. Agreed. Couns. Loveden and Murkett to attend.

The Holmes Footpath A further letter from Mrs. Vasey complained about the state of the footpath. Coun. Craig to arrange for the Footpaths Committee to walk the path with Mrs. Vasey and investigate her complaint.

Seats Coun. Roberts stated that she is contacting Mr. Woods regarding the fixing of the seats on The Holmes and Hambleton Drive. Mr. Erbe had informed the Clerk that he hoped to arrange for the seats on the walkway past the bus shelter to be moved further back.

Sign - Pick's Lane This is now in place.

Footpath - Cemetery Road It was reported that the footpath has been cleared.

Health Authority Trusts Coun. Marshall declared an interest as a Health Authority employee. After discussion on the advantages and disadvantages it was generally agreed that it is too close to a General Election for hospitals to make a decision regarding Trust Status and should wait until the fate of the country is known.

Representation on the Governing Body of All Saints' Primary School A letter from Reverend O'Brien asked that Mr. W. Waller should be considered to replace the late Mrs. Kathleen Greensit as this Council's representative on the Governing Body of All Saints' R. C. School. Coun. Salmon nominated Mrs. Diana Gormley. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that Mrs. Gormley be appointed.' Unanimously Agreed.

Cemetery Sub Committee Coun. Hall reported that the Cemetery Superintendent had given notice to terminate his contract on 30th September. The Sub Committee had advertised for a replacement with a closing date for applications of 31st July. The applicants will be short listed and interviews take place in early August. A detailed specification of duties has been drawn up.

Megson Place Coun. Marshall reported that children are congregating in Megson Place and using it as a playground, subjecting the residents to abusive language and harassment. On occasions when the police have been called, the children have disappeared as soon as they arrive. Coun. Marshall stressed the need for a large recreation area where the older children can play without disturbing residents. Coun. Roberts stated that if the District Council can stand large losses on the Community Centre, Leisure Pool and Leisure Centre at Northallerton they could afford to pay the price for the land designated as recreation land in the Thirsk Local Plan. Prop. Coun. Marshall, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that this Council demand that the District Council buy

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a large area of recreation land for East Thirsk'. Agreed.

Manning Levels at Thirsk Police Station Coun. Loveden referred to a recent incident when he had requested Police assistance and had been told that there was not an officer available. He had written to the Chief Constable regarding manning levels at Thirsk. He had received a reply stating that his concern about manning levels is shared and, with modern day demands on Police time, good use could be made of several more officers in the town. The Police share the public purse with other equally hard pressed organisations. Thirsk is manned up to the full establishment allowed and until further resources are made available to the Service North Yorkshire Police will endeavour to give the best possible service with the resources at their disposal. Members agreed that there is not sufficient Police presence in the town at any time. The Chairman stated that there had been yet another incident of rowdiness in Millgate about which it was agreed to write to the Chief Constable. It was agreed to write to the Chairman of the Magistrates seeking their support for the Police by imposing severe penalties on the hooligans who appear before them in court. It was also agreed to request William Hague M.P. to attend a Council Meeting to discuss 'policing'. Copies of the correspondence between the Chairman and the Chief Constable to be sent to Sowerby, South Kilvington and Carlton Miniott Parish Councils and the Chamber of Trade.

Fly Posting The Chairman had reported recent incidents of 'fly posting' in the town to the District Council's Enforcement Officer. A letter from the Enforcement Officer detailed the limitations with regard to 'fly posting' and stated that the reported matters are being investigated and when the person responsible for the display of unauthorised posters is traced, prosecution proceedings will be commenced. It was agreed to invite the Enforcement Officer to attend a future Council meeting to discuss 'Enforcement' in general.

Thirsk & Sowerby Swimming Baths Charity Letter received from the Chief Executive H.D.C. requesting the name Mr. A. J. Davison's replacement on the Charity. Coun. Murkett appointed. Members were concerned at the apparent lack of progress with the work at the Swimming Baths. Coun. Murkett to investigate.

Correspondence

Estate of the Late Miss Ethel Johnson Letter received from Latimer Hinks, solicitors acting for the niece and nephews of the late Miss Ethel Johnson, stating that it has always been the intention of their Clients to give to the Council their one third share of the land known as Carrs Field by way of a gift. The letter asking if the Council would sell their two thirds share had been sent due to a misunderstanding. Members were pleased that the town will benefit in the way intended by Miss Johnson.

Low Cost Affordable Housing Letter received from the Rural Housing Enabler whose role is to work with Rural communities in an endeavour to provide low cost housing for rent or purchase to meet needs identified in consultation with Parish Councils. It was agreed to invite him to a future meeting

Transfer of Licence Notification received of the intention of Robert John Goff to apply for the transfer of the Justices' Licence in respect of 9, Market Place, Thirsk.

Street Naming Letter received from the Chief Planner's department stating that S & B Construction wish to name their newly built flats in Long Street White Horse Court and invited this Council's comments. It was agreed that there are no objections to the name.

British Trust for Conservation Volunteers Letter received from BTCV regarding their work and asking if there are any projects in the parish on which they can offer help and advice. The Clerk reported that they had been contacted regarding the path through Whitelass from Stockton Road to The Holmes and they had agreed to look into it.

Footpath at St. Mary's Walk Notice received of the County Council's intention to add the footpath to the Definitive Map.

Yellow Lines Plans showing the proposed yellow lining of the Car Park, Market Place and Swimming Baths Car Park received from the Chief Planner with a request for comments as soon as possible. It was agreed that this be discussed with Mr. Erbe at meeting on 18th July.

Hambleton Visitor Guide Letter received from Yorkshire Publishing inviting advertising in the Hambleton Visitor Guide 1992. It was agreed not to subscribe.

Audit The Clerk reported on a satisfactory Audit with the recommendation that Public Liability cover be increased to £5,000,000. ✓

Planning Decisions

<u>2/90/152/0056E</u>	Persimmon Homes (Yorks) Ltd	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0293D</u>	Mr. F. Ahmed	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0415</u>	Mr. D. R. Kibbler	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0356C</u>	Mr. G. Bainbridge	Refused
<u>?/91/152/0424</u>	Great Northern Antiques	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/91/152/0310E Use of Unit 1, Old Post Office as a Restaurant/Tea Rooms with separate Takeaway Service for J. Burnside
Extractor Fans for Kitchen and Toilets would be obtrusive on a Listed Building.

2/91/152/0427 Outline Application for the Construction of a Bungalow at 41, Station Road for Dr. J. Garside.
Concerned that this may create a precedent for backland development.

2/91/152/0069G Outline application for Residential Development at The Works, Back Lane Norby for Mr. & Mrs. Edmundson
Recommend Approval.

2/91/152/0426 Outline application for the Construction of 16 Flats at Rear of Long Street & Stammergegate for W. Calvert.
No Objections to the development but recommend that

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the internal building should be lower rise cottage style dwellings.

2/91/152/0426A Application for Conservation Area Consent for the Demolition of Existing Garage at 76, Long Street for W. Calvert.
No Objections.

2/91/152/0420A Outline Application for the Construction of a Bungalow at Rear of St. Giles Close for J. Brannon.
Recommend Refusal on the same grounds as those given for the application in April 1991.

2/91/152/0141D Provision of a New Shop Front at 65/67, Market Place for North Yorkshire Co-operative Society.

2/91/152/0141E Display of an Externally Illuminated Fascia Sign at 65/67, Market Place for N.Y.C.S.

2/91/152/0141F Listed Building Consent for above applications.
The Council would like to see the symmetry of the building reinstated by (a) centring the shop window & (b) repeating the existing access door to the upper storeys at the other end of the facade. The materials and typefaces of the fascia board are out of keeping with the conservation area. The use of natural materials and a reduction to the proposed typefaces and colours for the words of titling would be preferred.

2/91/152/0039L Conversion of Existing Light Industrial and Office Building to Twelve Flats at 26A, Long Street for Modwell Developments Ltd.
Recommend Approval.

2/91/152/0410A Details of the Construction of 6 Dwellinghouses at Land Off Dowber Way for H.D.C.
Object to the blank wall facing the road and the siting of the bin stores.

2/91/152/0428 Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse at 9, Whitelass Close for G. B. Haw.
The Council have reservations about the loss of the garage as it reduces the car parking space at the same time as the size of the house is increased.

Market Place Improvement Scheme - Phase III

1. Raised areas of cobbles spoil the whole balance of the Market Place and its openness.
2. The troughs should be left in their original position to protect pedestrians at the pedestrian crossing.
3. The footpath between the Golden Fleece and the pedestrian crossing should be reinstated in natural material.
4. Retain the footpath Yorkshire stone outside the Golden Fleece where it is currently in good condition.
5. The path from Barclays Bank to the road should be protected by bollards.

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6.. There should be bollards or an increased kerb height outside the T.S.B. to prevent the illegal parking of vehicles on the Yorkshire stone.

7. All car parking should be reviewed.

Several members to meet Mr. Erbe and Mr. Jewitt, Chief Planner's department, on 18th July to discuss the proposals for the Scheme.

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - July	- £355.50✓
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol	- £ 21.66✓
D. G. Collinson	- Repairing & Refixing Ornamental Capping on Cemetery Gatepost	- £ 29.38✓
Audit Commission	- Audit Fee for Year 1990/91	- £236.70✓
A. M. Kaye	- Repairs to metal seat - The Holmes	- £ 33.20✓

Additional Accounts

C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 1 x June 1 x July	- £166.85✓
N. of E. News	- Advertisement re: Cemetery Supt.	- £ 85.30✓
Power Point	- 4 Weeks Hire of Grass Cutter	- £ 70.50✓
" "	- Nylon Lines for Strimmer	- £ 4.70✓
Y.L.C.A.	- Training Weekend - 2 delegates	- £131.60✓
Ackrill Press	- Advertisement re: Cemetery Supt.	- £ 62.39✓
Mr. Mitchell	- Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows	- £ 10.00✓

Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipt)

Jenny Gilmour	Grave Space 35	Section G6	- £ 77.00 ,
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Reports

Coun. Marshall reported that she is exploring the implications to Town Twinning.

Coun. Marshall reported that the public footpath between Hambleton Drive and St. Mary's Walk is in a very untidy state, especially the stretch behind the Persimmon Homes development where the hedge has been ripped out. The Enforcement Officer to be notified about the hedge as it was a condition of planning that the hedge remain. The Footpaths Committee to inspect the path.

Coun. Salmon reported on the A.G.M. of Hambleton C.A.B. where concern had been expressed about funding, and pointed out that Parish Councils can contribute to C.A.B. Coun. Murkett stated that the County and District Councils provide sufficient funding.

Any Other Business

Bridges Coun. Craig reported that silt needs removing from under Millgate and Finkle Street Bridges, a tree root is lifting one of the copings on the waterfall and one of the safety posts is loose on the Waterfall Bridge. Mr. Woods to be notified.

The meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.


Chairman

19/8/91

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 19th August 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, B. W. Garthwaite, A. J. Morton, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, Miss J. Marshall, R. S. Hall, S. I. Clements + 6 Members of the Public.

Apologies for Absence received from Couns. J. Bell (on holiday) & Coun. J. M. Salmon.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig.

Adjournment Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the meeting be temporarily adjourned to allow "skateboard enthusiasts" to speak.'

Agreed. Members were told that, to avoid aggravation from the public and police, a designated area for skateboarding is required. A flat surface measuring 30' x 50' is needed for the siting of a ramp, which would be multi functional and could be used by enthusiasts from a wide area. The site would be fenced and litter bins provided. Grants are available from various sources and further funding would come from sponsorship. The Council were asked if any land is available. It was agreed that when Carrs Field comes into the Town Council's possession the request for a piece of land will be looked upon favourably and the skateboarders were given members' support. It was recommended that they form a committee and begin to raise money for the purchase of a ramp.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Bus Shelter A letter from the Post Office Solicitor stated that their client does not want to lease the land and would still prefer a licence. It was suggested that Clause 4 of the licence should now state 'that the Licence will remain in force whilst there is a bus shelter on Post Office land and once this is removed then occupation of the land will revert back to the Post Office.' It was agreed to accept the licence with that amendment.

Play & Amenity Areas A letter from the Chief Executive H.D.C. clarified the situation regarding the community centre site and stated that the E.T.C.A. have agreed to meet the annual rental of £250.00 in the event that the District Council is unable to persuade the N.Y.C.C. to lease the land at a peppercorn rent. E.T.C.A. has advised that it does not wish to have any involvement in the management and maintenance of land as a play area. The District Council will now only acquire it from the County Council if the Town Council would accept a lease for a term of 99 years and be responsible for its future maintenance. The Leisure and Amenities Committee are to be asked if it is prepared to meet the cost of fencing and protecting the manhole. It was agreed that this Council will accept a lease and be responsible for future maintenance provided that the site is handed over with a secure perimeter fence around it to safeguard children from the nearby ditch and with a childproof cover on the manhole. It was also agreed to draw attention to the need for the ditch to be cleaned out and protected against children falling in.

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Fire & Rescue Service A letter from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stated that the consultation period is now over and that the District Council did not make any objections to the proposals. A letter from the County Fire Officer stated that the second fire engines at Thirsk and Easingwold are consistently unavailable during the daytime period because employers are reluctant to allow their workmen to become firefighters. There is no problem during the evening and night time. The proposals replace a pumping appliance which cannot be manned during the daytime with a special vehicle that can, because the latter appliance requires a lower number of people to crew it. Members were not satisfied with this explanation and agreed to make further representations.

Land at Hambleton Park A letter from Mr. Timmis of 31, Favenfield Road asked if the Council will allow him to purchase an area of land adjoining his garden. It was agreed to consider the request when the land is in the Council's possession.

The Holmes Footpath The Footpaths Committee had inspected the path and considered that parts of it are in need of repair. Other members were of the opinion that this path is walked by choice and not of necessity and should not incur any expense. Coun. Craig to ask Mr. Woods if road planings are available for repairing it.

Recreation Land for East Thirsk A letter from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stated that if the preferred areas of recreation land were ever to be acquired, the transaction could only be concluded if the owner was prepared to sell at a value that reflected its proposed use.

Megson Place Coun. Marshall reported that Mr. Woods has had works carried out making the tree less attractive to climbers, cleared the footpath and cut down shrubs.

Police Manning Levels A letter from the Chief Constable stated that he has received reports on the incident in Millgate and is satisfied with the way in which it was dealt. The Clerk reported that William Hague M.P. will attend the September meeting.

Fly Posting and Enforcement The Clerk reported that the District Council's Enforcement Officer will attend the October meeting.

British Trust for Conservation Volunteers A Girl Guide Troop from Scorton will clear the path through Whitelass on Saturday, 21st September at which local volunteers will be welcome. The charge to the Council will be £48.00 + V.A.T. This charge was accepted.

Meeting to Discuss the Market Place Improvement Scheme Phase III
 Coun. Marshall reported that the recommendations made by this Council regarding Phase III of the scheme had been accepted. A letter from the Chief Planner stated that efforts will be made to move the seats, currently sited on the path which passes in front of the bus shelter, further back.

Mayoral Dinner The Chairman stated that the next Mayoral Dinner will take place on 10th April 1991. It was agreed there should be a sub committee to assist the Mayor with the arrangements.

Garden for the Blind and Partially Sighted A letter from the Reverend Harding suggested the creation of a garden for the blind and partially sighted on land in the vicinity of Finkle Street/Ingramgate Bridge which has been offered to the Council by Coun. Bell. Members were in favour of the suggestion but considered the site unsuitable. Coun. Roberts suggested the shrubbery area on the Little Green. Reverend Harding to be invited to inspect the area with the Amenities Committee.

Cemetery Superintendent Coun. Hall reported that out of twenty three applicants for the post of Cemetery Superintendent, seven had been invited for interview and Mr. Ian Atkinson appointed.

Cemetery Lodge Three contractors has been invited to submit quotations for renewing the flat roof and fascia boards over the bathroom at Cemetery Lodge. Only one quotation, of £415.00, submitted by Aaron Roofing of Northallerton, had been received. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig 'that the quotation be accepted.' Agreed.

Correspondence

Heavy Traffic A letter from the County Surveyor stated that the following matters are in hand to deter traffic using the A61 through Thirsk to access the A19 - i. Advisory signing directing HGV's along the A1 to A168 at Dishforth on the A61 and A1. ii. An experimental HGV ban on the B6267 Ainderby Quernhow to prevent the short cut to the A61. iii. One way alternate traffic working on Skipton on Swale bridge controlled by traffic signals to introduce safer movement with consequent delay. Arrangements have been made for before and after traffic surveys to be carried out to determine the effectiveness of these measures. Members welcomed the proposals and requested that signs should be erected at the east side of the town directing traffic to the A168 bypass.

Closure of Sutton House A letter from the Community Care Manager, Social Services, stated that units for elderly people with mental impairment are being opened in Easingwold and Leyburn and the final residents of Sutton House will move to them at the beginning of October with Sutton House closing in the middle of October. It was agreed to reply reminding the Department of a pledge given to Coun. Murkett that whilst no new residents would be admitted, the remaining residents would stay at Sutton House for the rest of their natural lives. Concern also to be expressed for the difficulties for relatives having to travel to Leyburn and Easingwold to visit.

Bottle Bank Scheme Letter received from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stating that the scheme has been extended to permit applications from Parish Councils for grants towards environmental schemes. Application to be made for assistance towards tree and bulb planting and for the garden for the blind and partially sighted.

Planning Appeal Notice received of the appeal by Kuwait Petroleum (GB) Ltd against refusal for the display of 4 internally and externally illuminated signs at Woodhead & Bray Ltd. It was agreed that the comments made on the original application stand.

Town Hall Donation of £284.50 received from the Town Hall Committee towards the cost of installing the Fire Alarm System in the Town Hall.

Footpath Modification Order Notification received from the County Secretary that the concrete road parallel to the A19 east of Thirsk - Thirsk bypass - is to be added to the Definitive Map as a Public Footpath.

Grass Cutting A letter from the Divisional Surveyor stated that the County Council could make a contribution of £85.00, being the cost to them for six cuts, if the Town Council undertake the grass cutting in Ingramgate, Kirkgate, Front Street Norby and Byland Avenue. It was agreed to accept this and enquire about taking over responsibility for Stockton Road as far as Whitelass Bridge.

Mrs. Reynard A letter from Mrs. Reynard referred to dirty roads and footpaths and overflowing litter bins. Members agreed with the comments made. This being no reflection on the town's street sweeper. It was agreed to invite Mr. Burnett, Chief Environmental Health Officer, or Mr. Crelling, Head of Environmental Health Services, or both, to meet members on site during the day to discuss the problems of keeping the town clean.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0310E</u>	Miss J. Burnside	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0427</u>	Dr. & Mrs. J. H. Garside	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0069G</u>	Mr. & Mrs. R. Edmundson	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0426</u>	William Calvert	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0426A</u>	" "	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0393A</u>	Nationwide	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0423</u>	Mrs. Kinnear	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0357A</u>	Yorkshire Building Society Estate Agents	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0126T</u>	Thirsk Investments Limited	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0126U</u>	" " "	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0420A</u>	Jack Brannon	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0141D</u>	North Yorkshire Co-operative Society	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0141E</u>	" " " "	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0141F</u>	" " " "	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

2/91/152/0409A Details of the Construction of 4 Flats at Land Off Gormire Close for Hambleton District Council.
Recommend windows in the end walls and detailing in the brickwork. The hipped roof is not in keeping with the area. Express concern as to what is to happen to the footpath.

PS.

- 2/91/152/0356D Alterations & Extension to Existing Agricultural Building for Use as an Agricultural Worker's Dwelling at Sunny Bank Farm, Woodcock Lane, for G. Bainbridge.
Recommend Refusal on the grounds that the proposed development is outside the Local Plan area and is not part of an Agricultural Holding.
- 2/91/152/0045C Extension to Existing Dwelling at 86, St. James' Green for Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt.
No Representations.
- 2/91/152/0429 Extension to Existing Dwelling to Form a Domestic Garage to Replace Existing Garage at 31, Herriot Way for Mr. G. White.
No Objections to the development but require any existing hedges to be retained.
- 2/91.152.0399B Alterations to Existing Shop Front at 25, Market Place for R. Bedford.
Recommend Approval.
- 2/91/152/0430 Alterations & Extension to Existing Dwelling at 35, Station Road for Mr. & Mrs. A. Harman.
Recommend Approval.
- 2/91/500/0031E Outline Application for the Construction of 2 Detached Dwellings at rear of The Hollies, York Road (Parish of Bagby) for Mr. A. Dale.
Recommend Refusal until an up to date site plan has been submitted indicating the proposed access and in support of the comments made by Mr. E. A. Harman of Barbeck Close in a letter to the Chief Planner.
- 2/91/152/0310F Display of 3 Non Illuminated Projecting Signs at Unit 1, Old Post Office for Jeannie Burnside.
No Objections to the Signs but would prefer an authentic Yorkshire Rose.
- 2/91/152/0282G Removal of a Condition in Respect of the Restriction on a Approved Dwelling to Use in Connection with Existing Dwelling at 18, Kirkgate & 2, Gillings Yard for Richard Bennett.
Recommend Approval.
- 2/91/152/0197M Revised Details of Alterations & Extensions to Existing Disused Restaurant to Form a Nursing Home at Stoneybrough for C. B. Simpson.
Recommend Refusal on the grounds of the proposed extended building being totally out of proportion to the site and with insufficient parking spaces - as submitted in a report by Coun. Roberts.

Accounts the following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

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		634
J. D. Barr (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - August	- £355.50✓
Thirsk Motors	- Petrol	- £ 11.55✓
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks	- £ 70.50✓
" "	- Oil	- £ 8.81✓
F. D. Todd & Sons	- Emptying Skip	- £ 47.00✓
Mun. Mut. Ins.	- Premium for Play Equipment Inspection	- £ 32.64✓
" " "	- All Risks Cover for Bus Shelter	- £111.85✓
Cod Beck I.D.B.	- Drainage Rates	- £ 3.20✓
J. W. Deighton	- 3 x 8' Metal Seats	- £420.00✓
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 2 x July	- £166.85✓
Additional Accounts		
N.Y.C.C.	- Fixing seats - The Holmes	- £ 85.00✓
Hambleton D.C.	- Election Expenses	- £ 49.98✓
L. Mitchell	- Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows	- £ 10.00✓
G. Dale	- Food for Ducks & Geese	- £ 5.00✓

Reports

Coun. Hall reported on a scheme for the Christmas Lights to be concentrated on the central area of the Market Place - a price for which is awaited. The scheme will be co-ordinated with that of the Chamber of Trade who have been offered the use of the time clocks on the lamps on the south side of the Market Place.

Coun. Craig reported that the Footpaths Committee have inspected the public footpath from St. Mary's to Hambleton Drive which is in a very untidy state. The Clerk stated that Mr. Woods is contacting Mr. Penny, the Footpaths Officer, regarding this path. Coun. Craig referred to a seat on the Old Sutton Road which had been broken due to not being properly replaced by Northern Electric following works in that vicinity. Northern Electric to be contacted.

The Chairman reported on a very successful Yorkshire Day at Rotherham. It was agreed to make enquiries of the Y.L.C.A. regarding Thirsk hosting a Yorkshire Day, possibly in 1994.

Any Other Business

Coun. Roberts suggested that this Council's Planning Sub Committee meetings should be held earlier in the month in order to link with the comments circulated to H.D.C. members, which would necessitate the committee being empowered to make and forward comments on behalf of the Council. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Marshall 'that the Sub Committee be empowered to make comments on applications to be forwarded to the H.D.C.' Agreed. To be reviewed after six months.

Bus Station The District Council to be informed that buses were unable to park on the Bus Station on this Market Day due to cars being parked there.

Land for Recreation The District Council representatives to contact the Environmental Health Department regarding rat infested areas on the land designated for recreation in East Thirsk.

Speeding Traffic Coun. Murkett to ask the Highways Department if some form of physical deterrent can be installed on the road through St. Mary's to Dowber Way to slow down speeding motorists.

DS.

Condolence At the suggestion of the Chairman, it was agreed to send a condolence card to Mrs. Verrill on the death of her husband who was President of the Rotary Club.

Parking for the Disabled It was agreed to draw the attention of the District Council to the great distance between the parking spaces for the disabled on the Millgate Car Park and the Public Conveniences.

The meeting closed at 9.55 p.m.

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Chairman

16/9/91

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 16th September 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), H. D. Craig, D. S. Murkett, S. I. Clements, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, A. R. Morton, J. M. Salmon, R. S. Hall, William Hague M. P., Police Inspector Smith, 1 Representative of Sowerby Parish Council + 2 Representatives of the Chamber of Trade.

Apologies for Absence received from Couns. B. W. Garthwaite (on holiday), Miss J. Marshall (attending a meeting) and J. Bell (work commitment).

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig.

William Hague M. P. attending the meeting to discuss 'Policing Policies' stated that he was willing to take up the Town Council's views with the Chief Constable and the Home Office. Mr. Hague told members that he is aware of the problems in Thirsk and that local Members of Parliament are lobbying the Home Office to make sure that North Yorkshire gets its fair share of extra police. The community can support the police by being vigilant and securing their property. The subjects of law and order, the 'Citizens Charter' and the lack of support from magistrates who should use all their powers regarding sentencing and bail were discussed. Mr. Hague stated that he would support a byelaw banning the drinking of alcohol in public places which has worked successfully in other areas.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Bus Shelter Amendments to the Licence, suggested by the Post Office's Solicitor, were accepted provided that in the event of the shelter being accidentally demolished, a replacement would be allowed on the site.

Play & Amenity Areas Following an enquiry from the Chief Executive's department as to the type of fencing this Council wish to see erected along the ditch, if the Leisure & Amenities Committee are prepared to meet the cost, a reply had been sent requesting 6' heavy duty chain link firmly secured at the base.

Land at Hambleton Park It was noted that one of the areas which this Council have been requested to take over is now the subject of a planning application by Barratts.

The Holmes Footpath Mr. Woods had advised Coun. Craig that road planings would not be suitable. It was agreed to reconsider the matter of a more permanent form of repair.

Garden for the Blind and Partially Sighted Coun. Roberts reported that the site on Little Green had been inspected and considered suitable.

Heavy Traffic A letter from M. B. Taylor regarding heavy traffic through Baldersby passed to Coun. Murkett in his capacity as County Councillor.

PS.

Closure of Sutton House A letter from the Community Care Manager, Social Services, stated that only one resident of Sutton House has relatives in Thirsk and after a period at Easingwold she may be able to be relocated at Cherry Garth.

Grass Cutting A letter from Mr. Woods stated that under the County Council's existing contract the cost of cutting the grass on Stockton Road is estimated at £350.00 for the whole season. If the Town Council wish to undertake the grass cutting to a higher standard the County Council will consider making a contribution of that amount. The Amenities Committee to ascertain the cost to this Council for the same number of cuts as The Holmes & Greens.

Street Cleaning A letter from Mr. Burnett, Chief E.H.O., stated that he and his Client Services Manager would be willing to come and discuss the issues raised by this Council with regard to street cleaning.

Seat - Old Sutton Road A letter from Northern Electric stated that the seat mountings were removed in good faith by their staff whilst carrying out cable works. The vandalism was carried out to the seat and to their equipment by unknown individuals. If the Council considers that it has a claim against Northern Electric it should be submitted to the Insurance and Rechargeable Services Department. It was agreed that a claim should be made.

Parking for the Disabled - Millgate Car Park A letter from the Principal Engineer stated that the Access Officer has advised that the spaces were selected for reasons of the availability of width, manoeuvrability, safety and the practicability of signing and that he is satisfied that the spaces are located in suitable positions.

Bus Station - Market Place A letter from the Principal Engineer stated that a 'Buses Only' sign will be erected on the Bull Ring area of the Market Place in the near future. The Car Parking Enforcement Officers have been asked to give particular attention to this area to prevent the parking of cars this area.

Correspondence

Seminars for New Parish & Town Councillors Details received of a series of seminars arranged by the Y.L.C.A. at a cost of £6.00 + V.A.T. per delegate.

Y.L.C.A. - Hambleton South Dates of the 1992 meetings are 5th February, 3rd June (A.G.M.) and 7th October.

Royal British Legion - Poppy Appeal Letter received from the Organiser regarding wreaths for Remembrance Sunday, 10th November at a minimum charge of £11.00 per wreath. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig 'that the Council lay two wreaths, one at the Cenotaph and one in St. Mary's Church'. Agreed. Sowerby Parish Council's permission to be sought for the laying of the wreath at the Cenotaph in their parish.

Fire Safety - Firework Displays Letter received from the County Fire Officer regarding the benefits of organised firework displays.

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Affordable Housing Letter received from the Chief Environmental Health & Housing Officer enquiring if there is any land in the parish which could be used to provide affordable housing for local people.

Road Lighting - Fault Reporting System A letter from the Street Lighting Officer, N.Y.C.C., stated that lighting faults can be reported to any Area or Divisional Office along with a 24 hour answering service on Northallerton 773692. Posters giving this information were enclosed for display.

Charges for the Use of Court Houses by Outside Bodies Following an enquiry by the Clerk regarding the increase, without prior notification, in the charge for the use of No. 2 Court House for meetings, a letter from the Clerk to the Magistrates' Courts Committee listed the charge for No. 2 Court as £15.00 per four hour session. Coun. Murkett to take up the matter of the increases with the County Council.

Signs A letter from Mrs. Reynard asked if signs could be erected indicating the locations of the town's play areas. Hambleton District Council to be asked if they can supply signs for The Holmes and the Flatts.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Linda Hodgson to apply for the transfer of the Justices Licence in respect of The Frankland Arms and to apply for a Gaming Licence for the same premises.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Ellen Kennedy and Maureen Osborne to apply for the transfer of the Justices' Off Licence in respect of Kwik Save.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Elizabeth Mary and Simon Mark Sheard to apply for the transfer of the Justices' Licence in respect of The Black Swan, Norby.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0164B</u>	Mr. W. Rukin	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0428</u>	Mr. G. B. Haw	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0045C</u>	Mr. & Mrs. D. Hunt	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning applications:-

<u>2/91/152/0185B</u>	Extension to Existing Public House to Provide Replacement Toilet Facilities at Black Swan, Norby for Vaux Breweries. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0185C</u>	Conservation Area Consent for the Demolition of Part of Existing Public House at Black Swan, Norby. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0399C</u>	Listed Building Consent for Alterations to Existing Shop Front at 25, Market Place for R. Bedford. <u>Recommend Approval.</u>

Of.

- 2/91/152/0431 Outline application for the Construction of a Dwellinghouse and Domestic Garage at Adjacent Plot 165/166 Hambleton Park for Barratt Newcastle. Recommend Refusal - this would constitute backland development and is one of the areas the Town have been requested by Barratt to take over.
- 2/91/152/0147E Change of Use of Existing Workshop to a Shop and Part of Existing Office/Studio to a Workshop at 15 B, Millgate for Mr. D. Cooper. No Objections but would wish the hours of working to be restricted in the early morning, evening and weekends in consideration for nearby residents.
- 2/91/152/0432 Construction of a Bungalow at Land Adjacent to 53, Dowber Way for T. Hill Developments. No Objections. Copy of a letter of objection received from Mrs. A. Brown and comments noted.
- 2/91/152/0090F Change of Use of Existing Dwelling to a Hostel for the Homeless at 11, Westgate for Hambleton D. C. Recommend Approval.
- 2/91/152/0056F Substitution of Dwelling Types & Construction of 3 Terraced Dwellings to Replace Existing Dwelling at Plots 62 - 65, Sutton Way and 76, Long Street for Persimmon Homes Ltd. No Objections but question whether the proposed emergency access is wide enough for fire engines.
- 2/91/152/0105C Change of Use of Existing First Floor Flat to Offices at 19, Market Place for The Barker Partnership. No Objections.
- 2/91/152/057C Outline Application for Residential Development at O.S. 0865 & Land to the North of O.S. 0865 Thirsk for Tudland Ltd. Express concern about the amount of traffic which will be using the bridleway.
- 2/91/152/0354B Construction of a Domestic Building at 15, Ingramgate for C. F. Pattison. No Objections.
- 2/91/152/0354C Listed Building Consent for the above. No Objections.
- 2/91/152/0426B Outline Application for the Construction of 16 Flats at Rear of Long Street & Stammergeate for W. Calvert. Recommend Refusal. The elevation to Long Street is totally out of keeping with the rest of the street. The adoptive road is too close to the Stammergeate entry onto Long Street which is already dangerous. There is no indication of elevation or roof levels inside the development. Details of bricks, tiles, windows, etc. required.

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2/91/152/0426C Conservation Area Consent for the Demolition of Existing Garage at Long Street for W. Calvert.
No Objections to demolition. Comments as for above.

2/91/152/0433 Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse at 30, Herriot Way for Mr. & Mrs. K. Croft.
No Objections.

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall.

Accounts as Circulated

J. D. Barr	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - September	-	£355.50✓
Yorkshire Water	-	Water Charges - Cem. Lodge - 2nd Inst.	-	£ 85.58✓
P. Smith	-	Salary - July - Sept.	£550.00✓	
		(inc. agreed increase)		
		Administrative Expenses	£ 91.67✓	- £641.67✓
Wakefield M.D.C.	-	Stationery from Y.P.O.		- £ 60.03✓
N.Y.C.C.	-	Use of Court House - April - June		- £ 45.00✓

Additional Accounts

C. E. Walker	-	Grass Cutting - 2 x August	-	£166.85✓
Power Point	-	Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks	-	£ 70.50✓
Aaron Roofing	-	Work on Roof as Quoted + Pointing of Chimney Stacks & Ridge Tiles	-	£510.00✓
L. Mitchell	-	Cleaning Posters from windows & cleaning Bus Shelter windows	-	£ 18.00✓
D. G. Collinson	-	Refund of Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial Payment - Knowlson	-	£ 77.00✓
Shaw's Funeral Service	-	Refund of Part Burial Fee (overcharged) - W. H. Dowson	-	£ 77.00✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

Alan James Lowey	Grave Space 38	Section G6	-	£154.00✓
Ethel Johnson	Grave Space 17	Section E2	-	£ 77.00✓
George Walker	Grave Space 23	Section B4	-	£ 77.00✓
Brian & Moira Haw	Grave Space 25	Section B6	-	£ 77.00✓

Reports

Coun. Salmon reported that the C.A.B. Welfare Benefits Officer had died suddenly and asked that a letter of condolence be sent to his widow.

Coun. Salmon reported on the progress of the E.T.C.A's 'Village Appraisal' and asked that consideration of making a donation towards it be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Coun. Hall reported that Mr. Atkinson, the new Cemetery Superintendent has agreed that Mr. Barr can remain in residence at Cemetery Lodge until 26th October provided that he has access to the Lodge if required. Coun. Hall had given approval on behalf of the Council. Mr. Barr will assist Mr. Atkinson with any grave digging required until he vacates the Lodge and carry out works already required of him.

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Christmas Lights - Coun. Hall reported that the Chamber of Trade are undertaking responsibility for lighting on the south side of the Market Place and have been offered the use of some of the Town Council's strings of lights for use in Baker's Alley. The Town Council will be responsible for illuminating the Christmas Tree, the Town Clock and the trees in that area, using mainly white lights. It was agreed that there should be an official 'switching on' of the lights.

Byelaw The meeting was told that Hambleton District Council have been requested to consider implementing a byelaw in its market towns prohibiting the drinking of alcohol in public places.

Any Other Business

Footpath Coun. Craig requested that the County Council be reminded about the state of the footpath from Hambleton Place to St. Mary's.

Litter Pick The Chairman stated that there is to be a Giant Litter Pick on Sunday, 27th October involving Scouts, Guides and other organisations.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.


Chairman

21/10/91

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 21st October 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), A. J. Morton, H. D. Craig, B. W. Garthwaite, D. S. Murkett, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. M. Salmon, Miss J. Marshall, R. S. Hall.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Craig.

Attendance by the Enforcement Officer This has been deferred until details of new legislation have been received by the District Council.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Policing Policies A letter from William Hague, M.P. stated that he has taken up with the Chief Constable the matters of concern to this Council regarding policing in Thirsk and will be discussing with his North Yorkshire colleagues the need for more police in North Yorkshire as a whole and making representations to the Home Secretary.

Use of Thirsk County Primary School for Children's Play Area A letter from the Chief Executive stated that the Leisure & Amenities Committee has agreed to provide the required type of fencing, together with a childproof manhole cover, prior to being handed over to this Council. Once the area has been transferred the Town Council would then be responsible for the maintenance of the fencing and manhole cover in addition to the play area itself. It was agreed to accept responsibility of the play area under those terms.

Use of Thirsk County Primary School Land for a Community Centre A letter from the Chief Executive stated that the N.Y.C.C. is unwilling to make any land available at a peppercorn rental and that once the lease has been concluded there will be a rental of £250.00 per annum which will be reviewed every tenth year. The lease will be between N.Y.C.C. and the District Council who will in turn sublet the site to the Town Council. The development of the site would be undertaken by the E.T.C.A. which would enter into a similar lease with the Town Council so that the Association would be the actual party paying the rental which they have written to the District Council agreeing to do. No lease would be entered into with the N.Y.C.C. until such time as the E.T.C.A. is in a position to commence development of the site. It was agreed to accept the terms for the lease but pointing out that the E.T.C.A. will only enter into a lease for the community centre site and not for the play area - this land being the responsibility of the Town Council.

Land at Hambleton Park Planning permission has been refused for the site adjacent 165/166, Hambleton Park. Coun. Marshall reported that there is to be a site meeting by planning officers and Barratts to inspect the areas of open space which this Council have been requested to take over.

Garden for the Blind and Partially Sighted On receipt of a letter from Revd. Harding stating that he has further information about the

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construction of a garden for the blind and partially sighted, it was agreed to invite him to join the Amenities Committee for that purpose.

Heavy Traffic A letter from the County Surveyor stated that the request for additional HGV signing on the A19 will be considered when the results of an HGV survey, to be carried out later this year, are known. Due to the fact that the current workload of the traffic management section is greater than the staff resources available, the request for 'Traffic Calming' through St. Mary's Estate to Hambleton Estate has had to be added to a list of items awaiting investigation. Coun. Murkett reported that a weight restriction is now in force on the B6267 - from the A1 to Skipton on Swale - and that provision has been made for traffic lights at Skipton Bridge in the County Council's next budget.

Seat - Old Sutton Road Letter received stating that the Council's claim is being investigated.

Court House Charges Coun. Murkett has not yet been able to contact the department responsible for raising the charges. It was agreed that other venues should be considered.

Signs Letter received stating that the Leisure Services Officer has advised that as none of the facilities for which signs were requested are administered by the District Council he is unable to recommend the provision of signs. It was agreed that this Council consider providing signs. The Amenities Committee to obtain details of signs which would be in keeping with the Conservation Area. It was agreed to request a 'cul de sac' sign for Chapel Street.

Christmas Lights Letter received from the Chamber of Trade regarding their plans for Christmas Lights which include using a string of the Council's lights in Baker's Alley, illuminated Christmas Trees outside premises on the north side of the Market Place and the possible attachment of clusters of lights on the four lamp posts on the south side. All expenses in connection with these will be met by the Chamber of Trade. Coun. Hall stated that Mr. Johnston was unable to submit a price for erecting this Council's decorations but would charge on an hourly basis as in the past. It was agreed that the lights should be switched on from the first weekend in December i.e. 30th November/1st/2nd December. The Chairman has arranged for carol singing around the Christmas Tree at 6.30 p.m. on 18th December, accompanied by the R.B.L. Band with a collection being taken by the band for their funds. Prop. Coun. Morton, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the Council reimburse the Chairman by £11.50 for the cost of carol sheets'. Agreed.

Footpath - Hambleton Place to St. Mary's Estate The Clerk reported that this matter is being dealt with by Mr. Woods and the County Council's Footpaths Officer.

East Thirsk Community Association's 'Village Appraisal' Coun. Salmon outlined the purpose of the scheme and recommended support by the Council. E.T.C.A. had promised to pay a donation to the Friarage Hospital Scanner Appeal of 10p per returned questionnaire. Prop.

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Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Craig 'that the E.T.C.A. be reimbursed by the amount it costs for the return of the questionnaires'. On an amendment prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that half of the cost of printing the questionnaires be paid as a donation to E.T.C.A.' Voting on the Amendment - 5 in Favour - 1 Against - 3 Abstentions.
Amendment carried. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Salmon 'that a donation of £290.00 be made to E.T.C.A.'. Voting - 6 in Favour - 1 Against - 2 Abstentions

Grass Cutting This to be deferred to next month's meeting.

Meeting with the Chief Environmental Health Officer Coun. Roberts reported on a meeting with Mr. Burnett when the problems of keeping the town clean were discussed. There is to be more street sweeping at weekends and during the tourist season.

Bus Shelter A letter from the Post Office Solicitor confirmed that in the event of the bus shelter being accidentally demolished, the Licence would remain in force and the shelter could be replaced on the same site. An engrossed copy of the Licence was presented for signing together with a letter from the Solicitor stating that his legal fees will be £150.00 but it is not yet known if any Surveyor's fees will be payable. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the Licence be signed and the fees paid when an account is submitted'. Agreed.

Bulb Planting The Clerk reminded members that £30.00 is available from Northern Electric for replacement daffodil bulbs for Ingramgate. Coun. Hall to ask Thirsk County Primary School pupils to plant them. Permission given for the W. I. to plant bulbs on The Holmes.

Correspondence

Resignation Letter received from Councillor Bell tendering his resignation from the Council. This was accepted with regret. Mr. Bell to be asked to retain his interest in planning matters and to remain as this Council's representative on the Governing Body of Thirsk County Primary School. A Casual Vacancy was declared which will be filled by co-option unless, by 8th November, an election is called for by ten electors of the parish.

Space for Play Details received of a conference to be held on 14th November at a cost of £6.60 + £1.16 V.A.T. per delegate. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that this Council pay the fee for a representative of the "Skate Boarders" to attend'. Agreed.

Yorkshire Day Letter received from L.C.A. stating that 'Yorkshire Day' is being hosted by Richmond Town Council in 1992. Details of the procedure to be requested from them.

Kerbing - St. James' Green Letter received from Mr. Woods stating that the first stage of the work has been completed and requesting this Council's contribution towards the cost. Further work will be carried out in the near future. Members commended the County Council on the work.

Wensleydale Railway Association It was agreed not to give financial assistance towards a route appraisal of existing railway line between Redmire and Northallerton.

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Application for Licence Notice received of the intention of William Anthony Knowles to apply for a Justices' Licence to sell intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises at Darrowby Fayre.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Edward Strike and Richard John Crowther to apply for the Transfer of the Justices' Licence in respect of North Yorkshire Co-operative Society, Thirsk.

Transfer of Licence Notice received of the intention of Julie Binns and Leslie Smith to apply for the transfer of the Justices' Licence in respect of the Golden Fleece Hotel, Thirsk.

Dismissal of Appeal Notification received that the appeal by Mrs. M. Selby against an enforcement notice issued by Hambleton District Council has been dismissed.

Planning Appeal Notice received of an appeal by Dr. & Mrs. J. H. Garside against refusal of planning permission by H.D.C. for the construction of a bungalow at 41, Station Road, Thirsk. It was agreed that the comments made on the original application should stand.

Planning Appeal Notice received of an appeal by J. Brannon against refusal of planning permission by H.D.C. for the erection of a bungalow at 9A, St. Giles Close, Thirsk. It was agreed that the comments made on the original application should stand.

Public Liability Confirmation received from Municipal Mutual Insurance that this Council's limit of indemnity for Public Liability cover has been increased to £5m.

Bottle Bank Scheme Letter received stating that this Council has been allocated £25.00 from the Bottle Bank Scheme. It was agreed that this should be used to purchase additional bulbs for planting in Ingramgate.

Seat Letter received from Mr. G. Handshaw requesting the reinstatement of the seat at the side of the former British School, which was removed after being damaged by a vehicle. Coun. Roberts stated that permission has been given for a seat to be placed in a shrubbery within the former school site which is to be developed in the near future.

Tree Planting Letter received from the Chief Planner regarding grants which are available for tree planting schemes to a maximum of £50.00. It was agreed that trees should be planted in the new part of the cemetery and application made for grant aid. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Salmon 'that a £200.00 be allocated for trees'. Agreed. Coun. Roberts to seek advice on a tree planting scheme.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0431</u>	Barratt Newcastle Limited	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0197M</u>	Mr. C. B. Simpson	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0105C</u>	The Barker Partnership	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0282G</u>	Mr. R. Bennett	Granted

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<u>2/91/152/0147E</u>	Mr. D. Cooper	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0356D</u>	Mr. G. Bainbridge	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0430</u>	Mr. & Mrs. A. Harman	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0425</u>	Mr. & Mrs. Goacher	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0399B</u>	R. Bedford	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0399C</u>	" "	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0039L</u>	Monwell Developments Limited	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0409A</u>	Hambleton District Council	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0185B</u>	Black Swan	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0185C</u>	" "	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0056F</u>	Persimmon Homes Limited	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0130F</u>	Jeannie Burnside	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0433</u>	Mr. & Mrs. K. Croft	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0429</u>	Mr. G. White	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications by the Planning Sub Committee:

2/91/152/0303G Change of Use from Cafe to Retail Use at 21, Millgate for Mr. T. A. Schofield.
No Objections.

2/91/152/0411A Construction of 10 Flats at South Dowber Lane for Hambleton District Council.
The Council have no objections but note the concern of nearby residents that this quiet area will suffer disturbance and noise with the addition of 10 flats.

Members were concerned to learn that planning permission has been granted for this development and agreed to object to this on the grounds that it is outside the town plan limits and would set a precedent for future development along Dowber Lane. Coun. Craig stated that residents are writing to the Department of the Environment requesting a public enquiry.

Observations were made on the following plans at the meeting:

2/91/152/0424A Variation of a Condition Restricting the Permitted Hours for Car Boot Sales at Thirsk Racecourse for M. J. Fowler.
Recommend Refusal in consideration for nearby residents and point out that the current conditions are being contravened.

Coun. Roberts had made enquiries about the sale of new goods at the car boot sales and been told that it is not a valid planning condition. Coun. Murkett to raise the matter with the L.C.A.

2/91/152/0070F Construction of a Building for the Storage of Oil & Methanol at Stockton Road for Crossroads Commercial.
No Objections provided that it is sanctioned by the

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Health and Safety Officer.2/91/500/0048

Erection of a High Voltage Overhead Electricity Line at Picton - Shipton for The National Grid.

Object in total on the grounds that National Grid have not made a case for the need for more lines.

Coun. Roberts referred to the fact that the wrong consultation books had been sent to this Council by first class post at a cost of £3.15 and had she not collected the correct ones a similar amount would have been spent sending them out. It was agreed that the District Council waste a lot of money on posting items which could be delivered. Coun. Marshall was appointed Chairman of the Planning Sub Committee.

Accounts The following accounts were approved for payment - Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Morton.

Accounts as Circulated

I. Atkinson (S.O.)	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - October	-	£325.00✓
Power Point	-	Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks	-	£ 70.50✓
Hambleton Sports C.	-	Subscription	-	£ 2.00✓
North Yorks. C. C.	-	Kerbing - St. James' Green	-	£580.00✓

Additional Accounts

L. Mitchell	-	Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows - 5 wks	-	£ 10.00✓
E.T.C.A.	-	Contribution to 'Village Appraisal'	-	£290.00✓
Coun. Loveden	-	Reimbursement of cost of Carol Sheets	-	£ 11.50✓
G. Dale	-	Feed for ducks and geese	-	£ 5.00✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

Mr. & Mrs. G. W. Musgrove	Grave Space 26	Section B6	-	£154.00.
Louis James Brown	Grave Space 24	Section B6	-	£ 77.00.
Winifred Mary Sharman	Grave Space 10	Section E3	-	£ 77.00.
John R. A. Stevens	Grave Space 7	Section E3	-	£ 77.00.

Reports

The Chairman reported that Mr. W. Greaves had offered to undertake responsibility for the ducks and geese on the beck. It was agreed not to accept the offer as other people feed them but to invite him to keep an eye on them.

Coun. Murkett reported on the need for a cull of the drakes on the beck. Professional advice to be sought. Coun. Murkett also reported on the need for action to be taken regarding the problems caused by pigeons in Millgate.

Coun. Hall reported that Mr. Atkinson has taken up his duties as Cemetery Superintendent and that the changeover appears to be going smoothly at present.

Any Other Business

Honour The Chairman congratulated Coun. Craig on being made an Honorary Alderman in Hambleton District.

Cod Beck Oil was reported near an old sewer pipe in the Beck at Finkle Street. The Environmental Health Department to be notified.

Bus Station Sign It was reported that the Bus Station sign has been sited in an inconspicuous position. H.D.C. to be asked to position it on the bus shelter.

Dog Control in Hambleton District The Environmental Health Department to be asked the current situation regarding byelaws in respect of dogs.

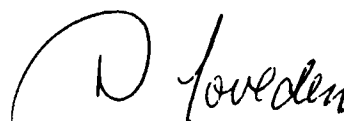
Overhanging Trees It was reported that trees overhanging the footpath on Station Road are causing a nuisance to pedestrians.

Persimmon Homes Estate - Long Street The Chief Planner's attention to be drawn to the lack of street naming and house numbering on the Estate.

Damaged Tree The District Council to be notified that a tree on their land near The Holmes has been damaged.

Town Hall The Chairman stated that Tea Dances are no longer taking place in the Town Hall due to the state of the floor and questioned whether a new floor would be needed in the near future. Coun. Murkett stated that a survey several years ago had pronounced the floor sound. The Town Hall committee to find out facts and figures regarding a replacement floor.

The meeting closed at 9.35 p.m.



Chairman

18/10/91

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, on Monday, 18th November 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, A. J. Morton, Miss J. Marshall, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, S. I. Clements, R. S. Hall, J. M. Salmon.

Apologies for Absence received and accepted from Couns. H. D. Craig (illness) and B. W. Garthwaite (wife's illness).

Minutes the Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Use of Thirsk County Primary School for Children's Play Area Nothing reported.

Use of Thirsk County Primary School for a Community Centre Nothing reported.

Land at Hambleton Park Nothing reported.

Garden for the Blind and Partially Sighted Coun. Roberts reported that a meeting to discuss this has not yet taken place.

Seat - Old Sutton Road Further reply from awaited from Northern Electric.

Court House Charges Coun. Murkett reported that the rental for use of the Court House is standard and there will be no reduction. Coun. Roberts to ascertain whether the Town Hall would be available on the dates required by this Council.

Signs Details of signs obtained for consideration. The District Council to provide a 'cul de sac' sign for Chapel Street.

Village Appraisal A letter from E.T.C.A. offered assistance if the Town Council wish to complete a similar exercise for the remaining part of Thirsk.

Bus Shelter Accounts from the Post Office Solicitor and Surveyor awaited.

Car Boot Sales Copy of objections from residents of Station Road received. It was agreed to endorse the objections and to enquire if the Racecourse is to be charged full business rates because of its use for car boot sales.

Drakes on Cod Beck A petition from school children and a letter from Mrs. G. L. Mather received, objecting to the proposed culling of the drakes. After discussion it was agreed to maintain the status quo and not to purchase any further food for the ducks and geese.

Bus Station Sign The District Council to provide an additional 'Buses Only' sign which will be erected on the bus shelter.

Dog Control Details of 'Dog Control in Hambleton District' received and circulated to members. It was agreed to invite the Community Environment Officer to the January 1992 meeting.

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Persimmon Homes Estate - Long Street Copy of the layout and street naming received. The Clerk had been informed that it is the responsibility of the owners to display their house numbers.

Casual Vacancy The Clerk reported that a bye election has been requested to fill the vacancy which, if contested, will be held in January 1992.

Governing Body of Thirsk C. P. S. A letter from Mr. John Bell stated that he is unable to continue as this Council's representative on the Governing Body of Thirsk County Primary School. Prop. Coun. Marshall, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that Coun. Morton be appointed'. Agreed. The appointment being subject to the approval of Bagby and Balk and Hillside Parish Councils.

Responsibility for Additional Areas of Grass Cutting Coun. Roberts stated that if this Council undertake responsibility for additional areas of grass cutting, currently under the control of N.Y.C.C., which includes Stockton Road, a contribution of 75% of the cost will be received from the County Council. Prop. Coun. Roberts, Sec. Coun. Murkett 'that the Council undertake this responsibility'. Agreed.

Suggestions for Expenditure for 1992/93 The Finance Sub Committee were requested to consider allocating funds for Hambleton Park sites, the new Play Area, The Greens, Central Heating for Cemetery Lodge, a Grass Cutter for the Cemetery, Street Signs, Carrs Field and the Arts. A meeting of the Sub Committee to be held on 28th November.

Correspondence

Litter Bins A letter from the Secretary E.T.C.A. requested litter bins for the St. Mary's Estate. Coun. Marshall to ascertain the number required before the request is forwarded to H.D.C.

Planning Seminar Four members agreed to attend a Planning Seminar at Stone Cross on 4th December, organised by the L.C.A. It was agreed to question the time scale between plans being received by town and parish councils and comments being returned in time for circulation to members of the Planning Committee.

Yorkshire Rural Community Council Agenda and Report received for the A.G.M.

Play Equipment - The Holmes An Engineering Report from Municipal Mutual Insurance stated that the equipment is in order and no action is required.

Restaurant Licence Notice received of the intention of Jeannie Burnside to apply for a Restaurant Licence in respect of Yorks Restaurant, 1, The Old Post Office, Thirsk.

Off Licence Notice received of the intention of Gary Arthur Jackson to apply for an Off Licence in respect of 10, Sutton Road, Thirsk.

Training Event Preliminary notice received of 'Playing the Field' to be held at Long Marston on 12th March 1992.

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Footpath Order Notice received that the County Council has confirmed the 'Footpath at St. Mary's Walk' Modification Order 1991.

Parish Government Conference Notice received of the Parish Government Conference to be held at Scarborough - 20/22nd March 1992 at a cost of £48.60 + £8.51 V.A.T. per delegate for the full conference, which can be paid by the Council. Delegates to book their own bed and breakfast accommodation. The Chairman stated that he hoped new members will attend.

Tree Planting Scheme Letter received from the Chief Planner stating that a grant of £50.00 has been made available for this Council's tree planing scheme. Coun. Roberts stated that Mr. Duckworth has been contacted regarding the supply of suitable trees for the cemetery.

National Foundation for Sport and the Arts Details received of the Foundation, with direct funding from various Pools Promoters, with grants available to Voluntary Sports Organisations etc.

Retirement of the Clerk The Clerk tendered notice of her intention to retire as Clerk to the Council on 31st March 1992. This was accepted with regret and tribute was paid to her work over the past nineteen years. It was agreed that a job description should be drawn up for consideration at the next meeting, after which the post will be advertised.

Planning Decisions

2/91/152/0354B Mr. C. F. Pattison Granted

2/91/152/0354C Mr. C. F. Pattison Granted

2/91/152/0432 T. Hill Developments Granted

Plans Observations were made by the Sub Committee on the following Planning applications:

2/91/152/0164C Construction of a Garden Store at 24, Long Street for Mr. W. Rukin.
No Objections - by using reclaimed materials, the development will blend in with the surrounding area.

2/91/152/0122C Alterations and Extensions to Existing Public House at 40, St. James' Green for D. G. Moore.
No Objections.

2/91/152/0388B Alterations and Extension to Existing Disused Buildings to Form a Ground Floor Office/Retail Unit and First Floor Living Accommodation at Building and Land Adjacent to Bird Museum, Finkle Street for Mrs. S. M. Pearson.
No Objections but the design seems to have little relevance to other buildings in the town.

2/91/152/0434 Demolition of Existing Cottages and Erection of 6 Aged Persons Flats and Associated Car Parking at Land Occupied by Nos. 9 - 15, Waterside for Hambleton District Council.

2/91/152/0434A Conservation Area Consent for above Application.

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The roof line is boring - variety would assist. When the details of roof and windows of Phase A are settled, both phases should be considered as a whole but should not necessarily be the same. Phase B is preferable to Phase A. It is felt that the District Council should give a lead when they design a building. It is hoped that the property owners are willing to sell but regret that No. 15 is to be demolished as it is an interesting building. It is also hoped that the two current residents are to be rehoused.

2/91/152/0434A

Amended Plans for Development at Long Street/
Stammergate for W. Calvert.
The proposed three storey building is too high and out of character with this area of Long Street. The entrance is too close to the Stammergate entry onto Long Street which is already dangerous.

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop.
Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

I. Atkinson (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - November	- £325.00✓
F. D. Todd & Sons	- Emptying Cemetery Skip	- £ 47.00✓
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 Weeks	- £ 70.50✓
" "	- Safety Guard for Strimmer	- £ 28.46✓
Yorks. R.C.C.	- Conference Fee for 'Skateboard' Rep.	- £ 7.76✓
B.T.C.V.	- Clearing Whitelass Footpath	- £ 56.40✓
Sowerby P.C.	- One Third Share of Cutting The Flatts	- £196.00✓
C. E. Walker	- Grass Cutting - 1 x Sept. - 2 x October	- £250.28✓
Mrs. K. Reynard	- Work in Mill Gardens - April to October	- £186.00✓

Additional Accounts

L. Mitchell	- Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows - 4 weeks	- £ 8.00✓
Simpsons Nurseries	- Daffodil Bulbs	- £ 36.00✓

Reports

Coun. Morton reported on a meeting of the C.C.A. when the 1992 situation in Community Health was discussed.

Coun. Salmon reported that 720 completed 'Village Appraisal' forms had been returned to the E.T.C.A.

Coun. Salmon reported that the C.A.B. are looking at the service provided locally where enquiries are increasing all the time.

Coun. Hall reported that the new Cemetery Superintendent is settling in well.

Coun. Hall reported that the Christmas Tree is being delivered on 5th December and the lights should be switched on by 8th December.

Coun. Murkett reported that work at the Swimming Baths is on schedule.

The Chairman reported that Mrs. Kaye had attended 'Space for Play' as representative of the 'Skateboarders'.

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The Chairman reported that Police Inspector Lyn Smith has been moved after only nine months at Thirsk. It was agreed to write to the Chief Constable stating that the Town Council are deeply disturbed and distressed at the sudden posting of Inspector Smith and asking what the policy is regarding the length of stay of senior officers.

Coun. Marshall reported that residents of Hambleton View have written to the District and County Councils and the Department of Environment requesting a Public Enquiry regarding the granting of planning permission for the building of flats at Dowber Lane.

Coun. Roberts reported that the Environmental Health Committee have accepted the proposal to upgrade the street cleaning in Thirsk.

Any Other Business

Parking for the Disabled Coun. Salmon questioned the need for the proposed three disabled parking spaces outside 'Kwik Save' in addition to those in the vicinity of the Town Clock.

Music Licences At the suggestion of Coun. Roberts, it was agreed to request that this Council be notified of applications for Music Licences in respect of premises in Thirsk.

Overcrowded Train Coun. Roberts stated that a letter signed by herself as District Councillor for Sowerby, a Thirsk District Councillor, County Councillor and the Mayor, had been sent to British Rail complaining about the 8.10 a.m. train from Thirsk which is so overcrowded that Thirsk students are unable to board it and are not arriving at college on time.

Bulb Planting Coun. Hall stated that pupils from Thirsk County Primary School are to plant bulbs in Ingramgate on Thursday, 21st November.

Tree Planting Coun. Roberts stated that the Rotary Club are donating two replacement trees for Ingramgate.

Salem Chapel Burial Ground The L.C.A. to be asked if they consider that the Town Council have any responsibility towards the old Salem Chapel burial ground which is part of privately owned land.

Old Wharf Wall Coun. Murkett to refer the state of the wall of the old wharf to the Cod Beck Drainage Board of which he is a member.

Carols The Chairman reminded members that there will be carol singing around the Christmas Tree on 18th December at 6.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m.


Chairman
16/12/91

**Estimated Expenditure
Allocated or Carried
Forward
Financial Year
1991/92**

**Sub Committee
Recommendations
For Expenditure
Financial Year
1992/93**

	£		£
Cemetery Paths	1688	(1688)	312
Cemetery Walls	600	(570)	430
Cemetery Lodge	200	(-510)	1500
Cemetery Trees		(-150)	
Burial Board Office	500	(500)	
Hire of Grass Cutter	600		650
Petrol & Oil	200	(100)	100
Repairs to Strimmer		(-50)	100
Emptying Skip	200		200
Cemetery Superintendent	3996	(100)	4000
Water Charges etc.	667	(237)	
Clerk	2200		1800
Administration & Audit	750	(100)	650
Stationery	300	(150)	
Travel & Courses	500		500
Insurances	578	(-43)	650
Street Sweeping	3200	(3200)	3200
Christmas Lights	1200		1000
Subs. (inc. L.C.A.)	298	(80)	300
Donations	105	(-185)	100
St. Mary's Church	250		275
Town Hall	1410	(690)	750
Castlegate Youth Centre	200		
Mill Gardens etc.	550	(290)	
Seats	1200	(800)	200
Town Clock	80	(-140)	100
Court House Hire	125	(-35)	200
The Holmes	735	(690)	
Play Equipment	250	(250)	
Chairman's Allowance	100		200
Hospitality Fund	100	(100)	100
The Greens	600	(-365)	2000
Grass Cutting	1462	(468)	1000
Flatts Grass Cutting	276	(80)	150
Miscellaneous	220		250
Election	1000		200
Bus Shelter	1500	(-250)	200
Thirsk School Youth Club	200		
Carrs Field			1000
		10093	21117
Clerk's Gratuity Fund	4079	(4676)	

The amounts in brackets are being carried over from the current year.

The Minus amounts in brackets are for information only.

Estimated Income to 31.3.92 - rough guide only.

<u>Precept</u>	£17,000.00
<u>Interest (Est.)</u>	£ 1,000.00
<u>V.A.T. Refund</u>	£ 1,512.00
<u>Burial Board Income to date</u>	£ 3,200.00
	<u>£22,712.00</u>

<u>Estimated further expenditure to 31.3.92</u>	£ 5,000.00
<u>Balances being carried over</u>	<u>£10,093.00</u>

£15,093.00

<u>Current Balances</u>	<u>Approximately</u>	<u>£23,500.00</u>
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<u>Estimated Balance in hand 31.3.92</u>	<u>£ 8,000.00</u>
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Recommendations of the Finance Sub Committee

The amounts currently carried forward and allocated to Street Sweeping, The Holmes, Mill Gardens and Play Equipment all now to come under the new category of ENVIRONMENT. This will cover the Hambleton Park sites, the new Play Area, Street Signs, Carrs Field etc.

The amount allocated to the Bus Shelter is to cover window cleaning.

Taking all these into account and bearing in mind the anticipated balances at the end of this Financial Year - the Finance Sub Committee recommend a Precept of £15,000.00.

A Precept of £17,000 was set.

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House, on Monday, 16th December 1991 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, R. S. Hall, B. W. Garthwaite, A. J. Morton, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, Miss J. Marshall.

Apologies for Absence received and accepted from Coun. J. M. Salmon (Family Commitments), H. D. Craig (Illness), S. I. Clements.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Use of Thirsk C.P.S. for Children's Play Area Nothing reported.

Use of Thirsk C.P.S. for a Community Centre Nothing reported.

Land at Hambleton Park This matter is being pursued by the District Council.

Garden for the Blind and Partially Sighted Meeting not yet taken place.

Seat - Old Sutton Road A letter from Northern Electric stated that as the incident arose through vandalism rather than negligence by the Company's staff it is not considered that a liability exists but it may be possible to make a contribution towards replacement costs in the form of a ex-gratia payment if they are advised what the costs are likely to be. It was agreed that the concrete ended seat should be replaced with a metal seat which together with fixing could cost in the region of £200.00.

Use of Court House Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that Council meetings should continue to be held in the Court House'. Agreed.

Car Boot Sales A letter from the Treasurer H.D.C. stated that a reply is still awaited from the District Valuer regarding rating of the Race Course. The Clerk reported that the recent application for a variation of the permitted hours for Car Boot Sales has been withdrawn. It was agreed that because new goods are permitted to be sold, Car Boot Sales on the Race Course should not be allowed on Bank Holiday Mondays being in direct competition with the town's market.

Dog Control The Community Environment Officer will attend the February 1992 meeting to discuss dog control and byelaws.

Vacancy for a Councillor Three candidates are contesting the vacant seat on the Town Council at the election on 9th January 1991. It was agreed not to issue poll cards at a cost of £400.00 but to place a Notice of Election in the North Yorkshire News in the week preceding the election.

Litter Bins The number of litter bins required for the St. Mary's Estate not yet ascertained.

Parish Government Course It was agreed to pay the fees for Couns. Murkett and Garthwaite to attend the Course at a cost of £48.60 + £8.51 V.A.T. per head. Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Marshall 'that the Council also pay a maximum of £40.00 per night, per head, for Bed and Breakfast accommodation.' Agreed.

Police A letter from Chief Inspector Lacy stated that North Yorkshire Police have undergone a recent management review which has resulted in a restructuring of all the Divisions within the Force. Richmond Division, one of seven new divisions, has lost two Inspectors from its previous establishment. The 'C' Division Management Team have nominated Inspector David Coates to have functional responsibilities for Thirsk Section from 1st January 1992. Members were concerned that there is no longer to be an Inspector based at Thirsk and felt it could eventually lead to the closure of the Police Station. It was agreed to ask the Chief Constable to come and speak to an assembly of Parish Councils about the current and future situation with regard to the Police service at Thirsk.

Music Licences A letter from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stated that the Council is not obliged to consult anyone regarding applications for Entertainment Licences other than the Police and Fire Authorities. District Ward Members are notified and the applicants are requested to display on their premises a notice giving details of their application. The notice is required to be displayed for a continuous period of 14 days and points out that objections can be made at Stone Cross.

Salem Chapel Burial Ground A letter from the L.C.A. stated that the state of the ground is essentially a matter between the original land owner or Chapel Trustees and the private individual who purchased the property. If there are covenants affecting the burial ground included in the original contract whereby the land was sold it would be down to the original vendor to enforce them. It is not considered that Thirsk Town Council are in a position to take any action or that they have any responsibility.

British Rail Service - Thirsk to York Following a letter of complaint from the Chairman about the 08.10 Thirsk to York train, comprising two carriages, a reply had been received from the Manager TransPennine stating that in the near future all trains will be formed by three vehicles. This will still mean some passengers having to stand but the numbers fall with the limits agreed with the Department of Transport. In May next year it is planned to provide an additional two vehicle train service which will comfortably accommodate all potential passengers.

St. Mary's Churchyard Letter received from the Rector of St. Mary's Church requesting financial assistance towards the cost of cutting the grass in the churchyard for which a tender of £70.00 per cut for eight cuts in 1992 has been approved by the Parochial Church Council. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that a contribution of £275.00 be made in the next financial year towards the cost of cutting St. Mary's Churchyard'. Agreed.

Recommendations of the Finance Committee for the 1992/93 Precept A statement showing current balances and recommendations for expenditure for 1992/93 had been circulated to members. Recommendations included £1,500 for Cemetery Lodge, £1,000 for The Greens, an increase in the Chairman's Allowance from £100 to £200 and to use the amount previously allocated to street sweeping to improve the environment. A Precept of £15,000 was recommended. Following a statement by Coun. Marshall that more than £1,000 would be required for The Greens and that developing Carrs Field would be at a considerable expense it was Prop. Coun. Marshall, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the sum of £17,000 be required by way of Precept'. Agreed. The additional £2,000 to be allocated equally to The Greens and Carrs Field. The recommendation that the Hambleton Park sites, the new Play Area, Street Signs, Carrs Field, The Greens, The Holmes, Mill Gardens and Seats should all come under the new category of Environment in future was accepted. A letter from the Treasurer H.D.C. stated that the current number of people on the Community Charge Register for the parish is 3,313. The Precept will be paid in two instalments - 30th April and 30th September 1992.

Duties of the Clerk A list of duties to be circulated to applicants for the post of Clerk was approved. A sub committee comprising the Chairman, Coun. Roberts, Coun. Morton and the Clerk was formed to draw up a suitable advertisement.

Correspondence

Carrs Field A letter from Mr. J. D. Cave of Cave Heaton & Co, Solicitors, stated that it has been confirmed that Mr. Adrian Johnson will put his one third interest in the field together with the late Miss Johnson's two thirds so that the whole of the property can be transferred to the Town Council. He will have the Title Deeds relating to the land in his possession in the near future and will then prepare the necessary Transfer Deed in conjunction with Mr. Johnson's solicitor.

Planning Appeal Notice received that the appeal by Mr. J. Brannon against the District Council's refusal to grant planning permission for the construction of a bungalow at 9a, St. Giles Close has been dismissed.

Temporary Closure of Finkle Street Notice received that Finkle Street will be closed to vehicles for a period of approximately eight weeks commencing on 6th January 1992.

Temporary Closure of Sutton Bank Notice received that Sutton Bank will be closed to vehicles for a period not exceeding three months commencing on 20th January 1992.

Proposed Footpath Modification Order Letter received from the County Surveyor enclosing a plan and seeking confirmation that the public footpath from Stockton Road to The Holmes has been incorrectly drawn on the Definitive Map. Members agreed that path should be shown by the route crossing the footbridges and that this route has been used for at least 35 years.

Thirsk Town Map and Short Guide Letter received from Codair stating that the second edition of the map is being prepared and asking if there are any amendments to be made to the previous map. The Clerk had confirmed with the Tourist Information Centre that they had made all the amendments they considered necessary.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0410A</u>	Hambleton District Council	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0303G</u>	Mr. T. A. Schofield	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0426B</u>	Mr. W. Calvert	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0426C</u>	Mr. W. Calvert	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0057C</u>	Tudland Limited	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0164C</u>	Mr. W. Rukin	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0424A</u>	Michael John Fowler	Withdrawn

Plans Observations were made on the following Planning Applications:

By the Sub Committee

<u>2/91/152/0066M</u>	Construction of a Storage Building at Bridge Garage Ingramgate for John M. Potter. <u>No Objections but would prefer some detailing in the brickwork to complement the main building.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0435</u>	Alteration to Existing Shop Front at 6, Castlegate for Calverts Carpets. <u>No Objections.</u>

Observations made at the Council Meeting:

<u>2/91/152/0436</u>	Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse to Include a Domestic Garage at 6, Herriot Way for Mr. & Mrs R. Adams. <u>No Objections.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0437</u>	Provision of Tennis Court Floodlighting at Newsham Road for Thirsk Athletic Club. <u>No Objections.</u>

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall.

Accounts as Circulated

I. Atkinson (S.O.)	-	Payment as Cemetery Supt. - December	-	£325.00✓
F. D. Todd & Sons	-	Emptying Cemetery Skip	-	£ 47.00✓
Thirsk Motors	-	Petrol	-	£ 21.30✓
Power Point	-	Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 Weeks	-	£ 70.50✓
R.B.L. Poppy Appeal	-	Wreaths for Remembrance Sunday	-	£ 24.00✓
P. O. Counters	-	Solicitor's Fee - Bus Shelter	-	£150.00✓
" " "	-	Surveyor's Fee - " "	-	£117.50✓
P. Smith	-	Salary October - December	£550.00-	
	-	Administrative Expenses	£ 82.76✓	£632.76✓

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Additional Accounts

L. Mitchell	-	Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows	-	£ 8.00✓
Yorks. R.C.C.	-	Fees for Parish Government Course	-	£114.22✓
D. Mitchell	-	Brackets for Christmas Lights	-	£210.00✓
D. E. Loveden	-	Hospitality Fund	-	£100.00✓

Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipts)

George Ernest Smith	Grave Space 11	Section E3	-	£ 77.00✓
Madeline Lowey	Grave Space 37	Section G6	-	£154.00✓

Reports

Coun. Marshall reported on the Planning Seminar at Stone Cross where the problems of comments on planning applications reaching the Planning Office in time for circulation to Committee members had been discussed. It had been stated that comments could be telephoned.

Coun. Marshall reported on a meeting organised by the Chief Housing Officer with residents of St. James' Green to discuss the Waterside development and future development of Todds Yard.

Coun. Hall reported that the pupils of Thirsk County Primary School have planted the daffodil bulbs in Ingramgate.

Christmas Lights Coun. Hall reported that compliments have been received about the Christmas Lights and replied to criticism by the Chamber of Trade. It was agreed to start planning at the beginning of August next year for the 1992 Lights.

Any Other Business

Proposed Gipsy Site - York Road Coun. Roberts referred to the Public Inquiry to be held on 7th January 1992 in connection with the proposed gipsy site and stated that although this Council had not opposed the chosen site, there are now other factors to consider. If the A19 is upgraded the additional lane would cut through the site and it is understood that there could be problems with sewage disposal. It was also stated that the gipsy site at Seamer is not being fully utilised. Coun. Roberts was delegated to put these points to the Inspector at the Inquiry.

Market Place Improvement Scheme Coun. Marshall expressed concern that the proposed bollards, intended to prevent motorists from driving onto the newly laid York stone paving outside the Trustee Savings Bank, have not yet been installed and parking is still taking place on that area. The matter to be drawn to the attention of the Chief Planner together with the request that the parking spaces should be marked for vehicles to park 'nose to tail' on the frontage of the Royal Oak and the Nat/West Bank.

The meeting ended at 9.15 p.m.


Chairman

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Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 20th January 1992 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), B. W. Garthwaite, R. S. Hall, A. J. Morton, A. Robinson, S. I. Clements, Miss J. Marshall, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, J. M. Salmon + Police Inspector David Coates.

Apologies for Absence received and accepted from Couns. D. S. Murkett (on holiday) & H. D. Craig (illness).

Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed by Councillor Robinson who was welcomed by the Chairman.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Morton.

Inspector Coates who has special responsibility for Thirsk assured members that he will give special attention to the town. One sergeant has been moved to Northallerton which is a designated custody centre. Thirsk will have no less police strength than before, have more constables and the section will be policed to the best of the Inspector's ability. Inspector Coates stated that he expects to stay at Thirsk longer than his predecessors.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Use of Thirsk C.P.S. for a Children's Play Area Nothing reported.

Use of Thirsk C.P.S. for a Community Centre Nothing reported.

Garden for the Blind and Partially Sighted Coun. Roberts stated that she has not yet been able to arrange a meeting.

Seat - Old Sutton Road A letter from Northern Electric stated that it considers the damage was caused by vandalism and whilst the company did undo the seat to carry out work, no negligent act was involved. They are willing to make an ex-gratia payment of £50.00 towards the cost of replacement. It was agreed to reply stating that if the seat had not been removed it would not have been vandalised and the full cost of replacement should be met by Northern Electric.

Litter Bins - St. Mary's Estate Coun. Marshall submitted a list of bins required for St. Mary's and the Hambleton Estate to the Amenities Committee.

Police Reply awaited from the Chief Constable.

Carrs Field Nothing reported.

Market Place Improvement Scheme Letter received from the Chief Planner stating that bollards are to be sited outside T.S.B. and it is intended that vehicles will park parallel to the kerbline outside the Nat/West Bank and the Royal Oak. It was noted that the bollards are in place. Coun. Robinson stated that the bollard on the corner causes problems for vehicles turning into the Royal Oak Yard and should be recessed, as shown on the plan. It was also agreed to request an additional bollard to prevent vehicles being driven onto the front of the T.S.B.

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Adjournment Prop. Coun. Clements, sec. Coun. Hall 'that the meeting be temporarily adjourned to allow Coun. K. Carley of Sowerby Parish Council to speak about the British Rail service between Thirsk and York. Agreed. Coun. Carley stated that under the new proposals the 8.10 a.m. train will be replaced by one at 7.53 a.m. which will entail passengers, mostly students, for Leeds having to change at York, creating an unsatisfactory situation, whereas the 8.10 was a through service. He suggested that a joint delegation from Sowerby and Thirsk should meet with British Rail to discuss the problems. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Loveden 'that this Council co-operate with Sowerby and attend a meeting which Coun. Carley will arrange.' Agreed. The meeting then reconvened.

Central Heating for Cemetery Lodge Quotations for Electric and Gas Central Heating systems had been obtained but it was decided that further details were necessary. The Cemetery Sub Committee to draw up a specification and obtain firm quotations and recommendations for the February meeting. The Sub Committee to look into the matter of changing the locks at Cemetery Lodge.

Cemetery Charges The Cemetery Sub Committee to make recommendations at the February meeting.

Land at Hambleton Park Coun. Marshall stated that she had attended a meeting with an Officer of Hambleton District Council and representatives of Barratts where she had learned that of the six parcels of land which Barratts wished to to had over, only three are in their ownership. The County Council are willing to make a contribution towards the maintenance of the Megson Place site. These matters to be discussed by the Amenities Committee and reported to the next meeting.

Correspondence

Cemetery Letter received from D. G. Collinson and Son on behalf of Mr. & Mrs. K. Stevens who wish to purchase Grave Spaces TT 84 and SS 84 which are situated close to the south wall. Coun. Hall reported that he had inspected the site and recommended that the plots be removed from the Cemetery plan due to being in too close proximity to the wall and footpath. It was reported that a trailer containing objects belonging to the previous Cemetery Superintendent is still in the cemetery. Mr. Barr to be given notice that it must be removed by 1st February. It was agreed that the grass cutter should remain on hire at present as cutting is still taking place. The Clerk reported that whilst the Council's strimmer was being repaired it had been necessary for Mr. Atkinson to hire a replacement.

Bank & Building Society Accounts The Clerk referred to charges which had been made on the Current Account at Barclays Bank and requested permission to move the Council's investment funds from Nationwide Anglia Building Society to Barclays Bank which would give a better return and ensure that no charges are payable on the Current Account. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Salmon 'that permission be given for the funds to be moved.' Agreed. A High Interest Business Account and a Business Premium Account to be opened at Barclays Bank.

Grants Details received from the District Council of grants available for Conservation Schemes and Historic Buildings.

Market Place Improvement Scheme - Phase IIIB Plan of the proposals submitted for comment. The work is due to begin at the end of March and should be completed in fourteen weeks. Objections were made to the parking provisions in Area C - to the front of the Golden Fleece - and to bollards being sited near the crossing. It was agreed to request a site meeting to discuss the proposals.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0122C</u>	Mr. D. G. Moore	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0070F</u>	Crossroads Commercial	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0388B</u>	Mrs. S. M. Pearson	Refused
<u>2/91/152/0066M</u>	Mr. J. M. Potter	Granted

Plans Observations were made by the Sub Committee on the following Planning Applications:

<u>2/91/152/0315A</u>	Extension to Existing Bungalow at 9A, St. Giles Close for Mr. J. Brannon. <u>If the development is allowed, a condition must be imposed that the extension remains as part of the original dwelling and the building is not allowed to become 2 semi-detached bungalows. Draw attention to the Inspector's reasons for refusing to allow the appeal against refusal of permission to build a detached bungalow on land at 9A, St. Giles Close.</u>
<u>2/91/152/0436</u>	Amended Plans showing Altered Garage Roof Pitch at 6, Herriot Way for Mr. & Mrs. R. Adams. <u>No Objections.</u>

Accounts The following Accounts were approved for payment. Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Hall.

Accounts as Circulated

I. Atkinson (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - January	- £325.00/-
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 weeks	- £ 70.50/-
F. D. Todd & Sons	- Emptying Cemetery Skip	- £ 47.00/-
Rowley's Nurseries	- Bouquet for Mrs. Fernandes on her 104th Birthday	- £ 13.50/-
L. Mitchell	- Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows - 5 wks	- £ 10.00/-

Additional Accounts

T. & S. Town Hall	- Half cost of Buildings Insurance	- £148.27/-
P. O. Counters	- Replacement for lost cheque - Legal Fees - (Original cancelled at Bank)	- £150.00/-
G. Johnston	- Labour & Materials - Christmas Lights-	£383.52/-

Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipt)

Gladys Ethel Horn	Grave Space 12	Section E 3	- £ 77.00 .
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Reports

Coun. Roberts reported that she had attended the Gipsy Site Inquiry and spoken on behalf of the Town Council.

Coun. Salmon reported that C.A.B. are carrying out a review of the Thirsk Bureau which would benefit if it had a mobile telephone facility. Hambleton C.A.B. has a deficit of £5,000.00. Consideration of financial support for the C.A.B. to be placed on the agenda for the February meeting.

Coun. Salmon reported that E.T.C.A. have received £100.00 for the H.D.C. Bottle Bank Scheme towards the Village Appraisal Scheme.

Coun Hall reported on the success of the Christmas Lights and stated that the Sub Committee is to meet in the near future to discuss plans for Christmas 1992.

The Chairman reported that Mr. Woods had informed him that improvement work at St. James Green is to continue. The Chairman requested that the incoming Commanding Officer at Alanbrooke Barracks be invited to meet the Town Council at the March meeting. The charities chosen to benefit from the Mayor's Dinner, on 3rd April, are Action Research for the Crippled Child and the Thirsk Minibus.

Any Other Business

E.T.C.A. The Annual General Meeting is to be held on 5th February.

Accommodation for the Elderly Mentally Confused Coun. Marshall stated that when Sutton House was closed, it was suggested that there would be a small unit at Cherry Garth making local provision for the elderly mentally confused, which has not materialised. It was agreed to write to the Social Services Department after checking the situation with Coun. Murkett.

Hospice Coun. Hall referred to a report that the Cherry Tree unit at the Lambert Hospital could become a hospice.

Millgate Car Park Coun. Marshall stated that she has been consulted about the area of land to the south of the bakery buildings in Millgate Car Park, around which the District Council are considering placing bollards. Coun. Marshall was requested to put forward the proposal that the land be put down to tarmac and utilised for car parking.

Charity Shops Coun. Morton expressed the concern of the Chamber of Trade about the number of Charity Shops in the town which have an advantage because they are not subjected to business rates. It was agreed to write to William Hague M.P., with copies to the District and County Council Economic Development Officers, informing him of the concern felt about the proliferation of Charity Shops and the reduction of retail shops in Thirsk.

Blocked Gulley Coun. Robinson requested that action be taken regarding a blocked gulley outside NEGAS in Westgate.

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.


Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council, held in the Court House on Monday, 17th February 1992 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), B. W. Garthwaite, R. S. Hall, A. J. Morton, D. S. Murkett, S. I. Clements, A. Robinson, Miss J. Marshall, J. M. Salmon, Mrs. F. M. Roberts, + Mrs. H. Clough-Smith (Community Environment Officer H.D.C.), Mrs. P. A. Dunning.

Apologies for Absence received and accepted from Coun. H. D. Craig (illness).

The Chairman introduced Mrs. Dunning who has been appointed to the post of Clerk commencing on 1st April.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Morton, sec. Coun. Garthwaite.

Mrs. Clough-Smith attending the meeting to speak about the problems of 'Dog Fouling' stated that current byelaws only cover the footway of any highway or public place, grass verges which are not more than three metres wide and adjacent to the footway alongside a highway. Town footways are not included. She is hopeful that the District Council will introduce 'Poop Scoop' byelaws for land under their control. It will be necessary for Town and Parish Councils to introduce their own byelaws for their land; The Holmes and Greens being appropriate areas in Thirsk. This can be done in conjunction with the District Council who will offer legal assistance if required. 'Poop' bins could be sited in key areas and emptied by the District Council. The cost of bins and the signs indicating the byelaw would have to be met by the Council concerned. Mrs. Clough-Smith also stated that for the byelaws to work satisfactorily it is necessary for them to be applied to both District and Parish land. Consideration of 'Poop Scoop' byelaws to be on the agenda for the next meeting.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Use of Thirsk C. P. S. for a Children's Play Area Coun. Marshall reported that the District Council have requested a draft lease from North Yorkshire County Council.

Use of Thirsk C. P. S. as a Community Centre Coun. Marshall reported that the lease for this land is in abeyance until development is imminent.

Garden for the Blind & Partially Sighted Nothing reported.

Seat - Old Sutton Road Further reply awaited from Northern Electric.

Police Reply awaited from the Chief Constable. The Clerk had been informed by Inspector Coates that the Chief Constable plans to meet with Parish Councils in the near future.

Market Place Improvement Scheme A letter from Mr. Erbe stated that where possible the minor amendments to the scheme, requested by this Council, will be made. It was suggested that a cycle rack is needed in the Market Place. The Amenities Committee to identify a suitable location and notify Mr. Erbe accordingly.

Commanding Officer - Alanbrooke Barracks Letter received from Lieut. Colonel Molyneaux accepting the invitation to attend the March meeting.

Unit for the Elderly Mentally Confused A letter from the Social Services Community Care Manager - Older People - stated that people are at present being cared for in units at Leyburn and Easingwold. It is hoped that services can become more local in time but this depends on it being established that there is a need for this sort of provision and resources being available. Cherry Garth will be considered as the need for more units becomes evident. It was agreed to ask how many people from the Thirsk area are being accommodated at Leyburn and Easingwold.

Millgate Car Park A letter from Mr. Erbe stated that, following representations from Coun. Marshall and this Council, it is his intention to submit a report to the Leisure and Amenities Committee and, if they agree with the views expressed, it will be necessary to obtain deemed planned permission for use of the land as a car park. It may also be necessary for the Thirsk Off-Street Parking Order to be amended and there would be a considerable delay before any such works could be undertaken.

Charity Shops Reply awaited from William Hague, M.P. A letter from the County Economic Development Officer stated that there is very little of a practical kind that he can do about the number of charity shops in the town. A letter from the Chief Planner stated that under current planning legislation there is no difference between a charity shop and an ordinary retail shop. In general charity shops do not occupy prime retail locations and of the 4 charity shops in Thirsk, 2 are outside the Market Place. In spite of the current economic climate Thirsk remains a buoyant shopping centre and it is not considered that the presence of 4 charity shops in a town centre with almost 80 shops represents a threat to the town's status as a shopping centre. It was agreed to draw the Economic Development Committee's attention to the decline in commerce in Thirsk Market Place.

Carrs Field It was agreed to enquire of Cave Heaton & Co when the land will be transferred to the Town Council and to ask if notice can be given for the tenant to vacate the field.

Grass Cutting

Tenders were received for grass cutting - prices quoted per cut + V.A.T.

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3
<u>The Greens</u>	£ 27.00	£ 28.00	£ 55.00
<u>The Holmes</u>	£ 32.00	£ 32.00	£ 83.00
<u>Mill Gardens</u>	£ 7.50	£ 11.00	£ 23.00
<u>Stockton Road +</u>			
<u>other Small Areas</u>	£ 26.55	£ 40.00	£ 83.00
	<u>£ 93.05</u>	<u>£111.00</u>	<u>£244.00</u>

As Tenderer No. 1 is not known to the Town Council, Prop. Coun. Roberts, sec. Coun. Murkett that Tender No. 2, submitted by C. E.

& C. M. Walker be accepted.' Voting - 9 in Favour - 1 Against.

Central Heating for Cemetery Lodge Coun. Hall stated that he had obtained quotations of £3297.00 + V.A.T. and £2948.00 + V.A.T. for oil fired central heating which is the most suitable type for Cemetery Lodge. Another quotation is expected within a week. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Morton 'that the Cemetery Sub Committee be empowered to accept a quotation not exceeding £3,300.00 + V.A.T. within seven days of this meeting.' Agreed.

Cemetery Fees The Sub Committee's recommendations for increases in the Cemetery Fees were presented by Coun. Hall. Prop. Coun. Hall, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that the Sub Committee's recommendations be accepted.' Agreed. The new fees to be effective from 1st April.

Report from the Amenities Sub Committee Coun. Roberts reported that a survey of seats is being carried out and stated that a seat is needed on Stockton Road opposite the entrance to St. Mary's Estate. It was agreed that a metal seat be obtained for that site if the Highways Department are in agreement. A five fingered signpost indicating places of interest in the town, and in keeping with the street furniture, would cost £700.00 with the possibility of financial assistance towards the cost. Permission for the siting of a signpost would require the permission of the District Council. Referring to a plan supplied by the District Council, Coun. Marshall reported on recommendations in respect of land off Favenfield. The Town Council to take over sites 5 and 6 Favenfield and 1 White Rose Way at the best price the District Council can negotiate. The District Council to inform neighbouring residents that they own sites 2, 3 and 4 Favenfield and are responsible for maintenance. The District Council to contact residents of Megson Place with properties facing onto Dowber Way, recommending that they extend their gardens to the rear to take in this space. The Town Council agree to the 'open space' designation being lifted from the area sold by Barratts, now forming part of the garden of 26, Favenfield and from the neighbouring site on White Rose Way which has also been sold to residents and forms part of their gardens. Any covenants for site No. 1, White Rose Way should be removed to allow this Council the best opportunity for dealing with the site. These recommendations were accepted. It was agreed to ask the District Council how Barratts had been allowed to dispose of sites designated as 'open space' stating that they should be required to compensate this Council for the land that has been sold. It was also agreed to request that the District Council adopt a policy requiring that future amenity areas be located in central areas in housing estates. The L.C.A. to be asked to give support to this request.

Hambleton C.A.B. Coun. Salmon reported that Coun. Hall has donated a radio telephone to the Thirsk office but a jack plug is required costing in the region of £25.00. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that this Council meet the cost of a plug to a maximum of £25.00 + V.A.T.' Agreed. Coun. Salmon stated that there is no effective waiting area for the C.A.B. office and sought the support of this Council for his proposal to the Town Hall Committee that the entrance lobby of the Town Hall be redesigned to allow access to the

C.A.B. office. It was pointed out that this could cost £5,000.00. Prop. Coun. Salmon, sec. Coun. Roberts 'that the Town Council support the proposal for redesigning the Town Hall lobby but not the spending of £5,000.00'. Agreed.

Correspondence

East Thirsk Community Association Letter received from the Chairman thanking the Council for their support over the past year and inviting representation on the Committee. It was agreed that Coun. Salmon continue to represent the Town Council.

Consumption of Alcohol in Public Places Letter received from the Chief Executive H.D.C. stating that if the District Council introduced measures banning the consumption of alcohol in public places it would have to apply over the whole of their area. He is not convinced that the concern about Thirsk Market Place on race days demonstrates a need for a district-wide ban on public drinking. This is also the view of the Chief Constable who feels that race days are adequately catered for by the deployment of additional police officers. It does not seem appropriate, therefore, for the District Council to introduce the byelaw at this time. It was agreed that this Council consider applying for a byelaw for Thirsk after seeking the views of the Chief Constable and the L.C.A.

Planning Appeal Notice received that the Appeal by Kuwait Petroleum (G..B.) Ltd, Station Road has been allowed.

Thirsk & District Council of Churches Letter received from the Chairman of the Council of Churches about the lack of facilities for the young people of the town and offering to assist or work together with the Town Council for the benefit of the youth of the community.

It was agreed to suggest that he arrange a meeting to discuss this matter.

Civil Protection Letter received from the County Emergency Officer offering to come and discuss the concept of civil protection and give advice on the development or revision of the existing community emergency plan.

Lackenby-Picton-Shipton Powerlines Application A questionnaire from the L.C.A. was completed. Coun. Murkett to represent this Council at the Public Inquiry.

Planning Decisions

<u>2/91/152/0436</u>	Mr. & Mrs. R. Adams	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0435</u>	Calverts Carpets	Granted
<u>2/91/152/0315A</u>	Mr. J. Brannon	Granted

Plans Observations were made on the following planning applications:

<u>2/92/152/0032K</u>	Conservation Area Consent for Demolition of Existing Building in connection with Development to Rear of 70 - 78, The Green for Hambleton District Council. <u>No Objections.</u>
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2/92/152/0032J

Layout of Land & Construction of 10 Flats & 6 Dwellinghouses at land to Rear of 70 - 78, The Green Adjoining Land & Part of the Green for H.D.C. Proposed development of this important site welcomed. Approve of the gable frontage of Flats 1 - 6. Bollards shown at end of road will prevent necessary entry to the Crescent and access to the pumping station. Riverside walk should extend from Finkle Street to Millgate Bridge and be wide enough for pushchairs and wheelchairs. Concerned that the development appears to involve removal of trees, bushes etc. from the river bank. These should be preserved to encourage wildlife, especially that already existing there. The pumping station will require extending, being already overloaded and regularly overflowing.

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Roberts.

Accounts as Circulated

I. Atkinson (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Supt. - February	- £325.00✓
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter - 4 Weeks	- £ 70.50✓
"	- Hire of Strimmer	- £120.20✓
F. D. Todd & Sons	- Emptying Cemetery Skip	- £ 47.00✓
L. Mitchell	- Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows - 4 Wks	- £ 8.00✓
Ackrill Newspapers	- Advertisement - Election	- £ 60.28✓
"	- " " - Clerk	- £ 77.55✓
Hambleton D. C.	- Cost of Bye Election	- £881.64✓

Additional Accounts

Northern Electric	- Energy Charges - Christmas Lights	- £393.96✓
Power Point	- Hire of Grass Cutter - 3 Weeks	- £ 66.98✓
	+ Strimmer Line	
Eccles. Stationery	- Registrars Ink	- £ 5.68✓
Hambleton D. C.	- Hire of Room at Gillings Court	- £ 14.00✓
	for interviews	
Wakefield M.D.C	- Stationery from Y.P.O.	- £ 26.60✓
Coun. Roberts	- Reimbursement of cost of FAX re:	- £ 3.10✓
	Gipsy Inquiry	
N. Electric	- Connection & Disconnection of Xmas	- £122.39
	Lights (to be queried before payment)	

Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial - (Receipt)

Howard & Florence Spence	Grave Space 24	Section B2	- £ 77.00 .
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Reports

Coun. Murkett reported that following complaints about the closure of Finkle Street, he had taken up the matter with the County Surveyor who had replied by letter stating that the Contractors are on target to complete the works on programme. The Contractor had been instructed to carry out the work in phases so as to cause the least disruption to pedestrians and shoppers. Prior to the work starting, a letter was

hand delivered to all the residents of Ingramgate and Finkle Street detailing the work and the length of time it would take. It was agreed that a shorter time should be requested when future notices are received.

Coun. Salmon reported on the E.T.C.A. Annual General Meeting and suggested that a similar Association should be considered for Norby.

Coun. Hall reported that the Cemetery Superintendent wishes to restore the old bier. The gates in Wetlands Lane are being unlocked each morning and closed in the evenings by the Superintendent. Consideration should be given to purchasing a grass cutter instead of hiring one.

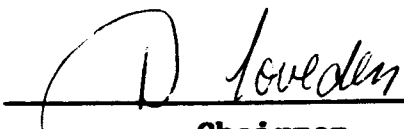
Any Other Business

Finkle Street Coun. Robinson reported litter in the river and a damaged seat on the bridge.

Public Footpath Coun. Marshall reported that the Footpaths Officer has not yet inspected the path from Hambleton Drive to St. Mary's.

Open Space The Amenities Sub Committee to inspect an open space on the MacLean development.

The meeting closed at 10.10 p.m.


Chairman
16-3-92

THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL & BURIAL BOARD

F E E S F O R T H I R S K C E M E T E R Y

The fees set out below apply where the person to be interred, or in respect of whom the Right is granted, is, or immediately before death was, an inhabitant or parishioner of the Parish of Thirsk, or in the case of a still-born child, where either parents are, or at the time of interment were, such inhabitants or parishioners. In all other cases, the **F E E S W I L L B E D O U B L E D**, except where the Exclusive Right of Burial in the grave in question, or the right of constructing the grave, was acquired at the single fee as set.

PART 1 INTERMENTS

The fees indicated in this section:

(a) Include the digging of the grave, supply/use of mats, ropes and bier and associated administrative work.

(b) Apply only where the interment is made between the hours of 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. on a weekday or on the certificate of the coroner or registered medical practitioner that immediate interment is necessary. In any other case **DOUBLE FEES** are payable.

1. For the Interment in a grave, whether or not an Exclusive Right of Burial has been granted.

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| i) of the body of a still-born child, or of a child whose age at the time of death did not exceed one month | £ 7.00 |
| ii) of the body of a child whose age at the time of death exceeded one month but did not exceed twelve years | £ 28.00 |
| iii) of the body of a person whose age at the time of death exceeded twelve years | £ 80.00 |

2. For the Interment of Cremated Remains

In a grave in respect of which an Exclusive Right of Burial has been granted or in the Garden of Rest	£ 23.00
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3. For Use of the Bier (Folding Bier Only)

For an Interment outside of Thirsk Cemetery	£ 12.00
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PART 2 EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL IN EARTHEN GRAVES

For the Exclusive Right of Burial

For a Period Not Exceeding 99 Years

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| (a) in an earthen grave 9 feet by 4 feet | £ 80.00 |
| (b) in an earthen grave 9 feet by 8 feet | £160.00 |

PART 3 WALLED GRAVES

For the right to construct, and for the Exclusive Right of Burial for a Period Not Exceeding 99 Years in:

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| (a) a walled grave 9 feet by 4 feet | £135.00 |
| (b) a walled grave 9 feet by 8 feet | £270.00 |

THE FEES INDICATED IN PARTS 2 & 3 INCLUDE THE DEED OF GRANT

PART 4 MONUMENTS, GRAVESTONES AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

For the right to erect or place on a grave in respect of which the Exclusive Right of Burial has been Granted:

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| (a) a Headstone - not exceeding 5 feet in height and 2 feet 6 inches in width | £ 20.00 |
| (b) a Vase - not exceeding 18 inches in height | £ 7.00 |

THE FEES INDICATED IN THIS PART INCLUDE THE FIRST INSCRIPTION

For each inscription after the first	£ 7.00
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REGISTRAR'S FEES

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| For renewal, in case of loss, the Certificate of Exclusive Right of Burial (each space) | £ 6.00 |
| For Comparing Inscription for Headstone and other Erections with Register of Burials | £ 6.00 |
| For Searching Register of Burials | £ 12.00 |
| For Certificate of Burial | £ 2.00 |
| For each Copy of Rules | £ 3.00 |
| For each Copy of Scale of Fees | £ 1.00 |

THE ABOVE FEES WERE APPROVED AT A MEETING OF THIRSK TOWN COUNCIL ON 17th FEBRUARY 1992 - TO BE OPERATIVE FROM 1st APRIL 1992

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO ANNUAL ASSEMBLY - MARCH 1992

Good evening and welcome to the 1992 Annual Assembly - with a very special welcome to Councillor Craig.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your work over the past twelve months. As the time for my Chairmanship draws to a close I am truly grateful for all the support that you have shown. In particular I thank Phyllis for her patience and guidance.

I feel somewhat like a 'Hatchet Man'. During the past year this Council, under my Chairmanship, has seen a number of changes of personnel. We have a new Cemetery Superintendent and are about to lose our Clerk. We have three new faces at the Council table following the Local Council Elections and one more since the recent by-election. We also have one new District Councillor. The town has lost a Police Inspector and two Sergeants. I would assure you that I don't normally have this effect on people.

GIPSY SITE This has still to be resolved. Currently we are awaiting the outcome of the Public Inquiry at which we were represented by Councillor Roberts.

THIRSK TEA DANCES Having now moved from the Town Hall to the Thirsk and Sowerby Institute, these have gone from strength to strength. The next dance will see donations being made to 'Thirsk Hard of Hearing Club', the Methodist Hall and Thirsk and Sowerby Institute.

MARKET PLACE ENHANCEMENT SCHEME This is progressing thanks to H.D.C. I applaud the improvements but urge this Council to monitor each and every phase before, during and after completion to ensure that local representation is always being made.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS These have been a plus for the town and a further improvement on last year. Thanks to Councillor Hall for his endeavours. I expect he will be calling a meeting in the near future to plan next Christmas's displays. If there are any lessons to be learned I think that we should be aware of the need for good communication.

Another success at Christmas was the CAROL SINGING when over 150 people turned up around OUR TREE. I urge the Council to continue this event which was welcomed by many.

ST. JAMES' GREEN For too long this part of Old Thirsk was neglected. However, I am grateful for the kerbing recently carried out on St. James' Green. I am confident that N.Y.C.C. Highways will ensure that the forthcoming further works will be of the same high standard. This should reassure the residents that we continue to support them.

E.T.C.A. I am grateful to Councillor Salmon for ensuring that this Council and E.T.C.A. maintain a good working liaison.

GENERAL AND PERSONAL On a more personal track I have represented the Council at various functions in and around the area. Welcoming Lady Sue Ryder to our town, attending functions at R.A.F. Leeming and Allanbrooke Barracks and launching and attending various appeals and charity events. I represented Thirsk at Yorkshire Day at Rotherham, the Lords Taverners race meeting and Mayoral functions at Northallerton.

I have been privileged to head this Council in a number of instances where we have stood up for the rights of our townspeople.

To highlight a few which deserve mention:-

Fighting to preserve our Police Manning Levels, even to actively patrolling with the Thirsk Police over a Friday and Saturday night.

Campaigning to reduce the incidences of Fly Posting around the town.

Defending our Fire Service against moves to reduce its perceptible effectiveness and efficiency.

Endeavouring to maintain a reliable morning train service for our students.

Supporting the youth with their Skateboarding venture.

Highlighting the threatened increase in Charity Shops in the town - a topic which drew attention and coverage on national radio.

I have tried to continue in the vein of a 'HIGH PROFILE THIRSK'. I feel it is very important that not only should we exist as a Council but we should be seen to exist. I have also tried not to shirk the responsibility of leading from the front. This can, and does, attract an amount of criticism, some quite personal. However, I genuinely believe that it is important to let it be known that we are PROUD of our TOWN and its people and are not afraid of standing up and shouting loud for their rights.

To quickly summarise:- I think you will agree it has been a very eventful year. We have made some progress in the various topics on which I have focused. I thank you all for your support and look forward to working with you over the next few years.

The Old Vicarage,
Pickhill,
Nr Thirsk,
North Yorkshire.
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3 rd March

Report on All Saints School, Thirsk. March 1991 - March 1992.

All Saints is a very popular and successful school. Numbers have remained high over the period March 1991 - March 1992. There are at present 114 children in the school. Last March there were 112 children on the roll.

During the year the Governors decided to reduce the intake to once yearly. All children who are rising five now come in to the school in September. This has worked well, and has not caused any problems.

Following a request from the D.E.S. that we should measure all available teaching space, and apply a given formula, our standard number for annual intake was increased from 14 to 16. This was an exercise which all schools had to take part in.

The full body of school governors have met seven times during the last year, with additional meetings of the 'Finance', 'Premises' and 'Information to Parents' working parties. Governors have also attended governor training sessions on many issues; ranging from 'Smoking' to 'Industrial Relations' and 'Health and Safety'. An evening of discussion between parents, staff and governors, and led by Sr. Felicity of the Diocesan Education Team took place in the summer term. This was in preparation for the writing of the schools Mission Statement.

Elections for the posts of teacher and parent governor took place during the autumn term. Mrs Patricia Morgan was elected as teacher governor, and Mrs Ann Lewen was elected parent governor.

On a more sombre note, whilst writing this report I have just been informed by the Headteacher, Mr Jim Livsey, that the school has been broken in to for the second time this term. The intruders were obviously disturbed during their first visit, and have now returned for the television, video recorder, Hifi system, radio and other items.

They have also forced open the brand new filing cabinet, which replaced the cabinet forced and bent during their first visit. I don't know how many schools were broken into last night, on the last occasion we were told that seven schools in the area had been burgled.

Mrs Edna Garbutt our Caretaker / Cleaner retired in the autumn, after 26 years outstanding service to the school. Since the cleaning and caretaking have been contracted out to D.S.O. the hours have been substantially reduced. Mrs Garbutt found it impossible to do an adequate job in the time allowed. Her successor left after 6 weeks, because she also found it impossible to do the job as well as she would have liked in the time given.

As a result of the rising numbers in the school (86 in September 1989, 114 at present) our staffing has been increased to Head + 3.9. This has enabled us to establish a fifth class, who are at present taught in the Hall. The Governors have approved plans to apply for a grant from the D.E.S. for internal re-organization to create a fifth classroom incorporating the Library.

During the Christmas holidays a new sheet vinyl floor was laid in the much used hall. This is a great improvement over the old vinyl tiles.

At the end of the summer term a very successful concert took place, which was particularly well received by the parents and visitors, including Mr. Parkinson, Senior Adviser for Music. The whole school took part in Nativity Plays at the end of the Autumn Term which were performed to delighted parents, grandparents and friends.

We have had many welcome visits to the school during the year including Councillor Murkett who we were glad to acquaint with the success of the school, and the consequent feeling that we are 'bursting at the seams'. Mrs Eve Walton a County Inspector and Mr Parkinson came and spent a day observing classes. They interviewed Mr Livsey and myself as Chairman of Governors. All Saints had been chosen to form part of a County survey concerned with the implementation of the National Curriculum. It was a very positive assessment.

Anastassia Slobodkina, a member of the Russian Childrens Choir of St. Petersburg who were staying in the area, and who is training as a music teacher, came to observe a Year 4 music class, and said she found the visit very helpful.

Finally the following comment came from Doctor Hodgson, our school Doctor, she said that the school is rather special to her and that she always enjoys coming here, lovely atmosphere, happy relationships between adults and children, always singing. This comment was quite unprompted!

Diana Gormley
Chairman of Governors
Thirsk Town Council Representative.

Minutes of Meeting of Thirsk Town Council in Annual Assembly, held in the Court House on Monday, 16th March 1992 at 7.15 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, B. W. Garthwaite, A. J. Morton, Miss J. Marshall, A. Robinson, R. S. Hall, J. M. Salmon, The Clerk, Mrs. P. A. Dunning, 2 Members of the Press and Lieut. Col. P. Molyneaux.

Apologies for Absence received from Coun. Mrs. F. M. Roberts (holiday) and Coun. S. I. Clements.

Presentation Before the meeting commenced tribute was paid by Coun. Murkett and a presentation made by the Chairman, on behalf of the Council and the town, to the retiring Clerk, Mrs. P. Smith.

Lieut. Colonel Molyneaux as Officer Commanding 19th Field Regiment R.A., Allanbrooke Barracks, attended the meeting to speak about the work of his regiment which is concerned in air mobility and transport by helicopter and stated that he hoped they are contributing to the prosperity of the town. He also stated that the regiment would support schemes for youth and be willing to assist with the E.T.C.A Play Scheme.

Minutes The Minutes of the 1991 Annual Assembly had been circulated and accepted at the April 1991 meeting.

Chairman's Report The Chairman referred to the change in personnel, the Gipsy site, Tea Dances, Market Place Improvement Scheme, Christmas Lights, St. James' Green and East Thirsk Community Association. Reference was also made to the instances where the Council have stood up for the rights of the townspeople i.e. fighting to preserve Police Manning Levels, fighting to reduce the instances of Fly Posting, defending the Fire Service against moves to reduce its effectiveness, endeavouring to maintain a reliable morning train service for the students, supporting the youth with their Skateboarding venture and highlighting the threatened increase in Charity Shops in the town. Coun. Salmon congratulated the Chairman stating that he is a credit to the town.

Reports from School Governors

Thirsk County Primary School Coun. Morton reported that the new Deputy Head is taking a leading role at the school. The phasing in of the National Curriculum has added greatly to the workload of the teachers.

All Saints R. C. School In her written report Mrs. Gormley referred to the increased number for annual intake and the increase in teaching staff. The full body of Governors had met seven times during the year with additional meetings of the working parties and have attended Governor training sessions on many issues.

Report from Members who Represent the Council on Outside Bodies

Civic Society Coun. Salmon reported that the Civic Society's 25th Anniversary is to be celebrated with a Photographic Exhibition.

Flatts Preservation Trust Coun. Garthwaite reported that there had not been any meetings.

Hambleton Sports Council Coun. Hall reported that sporting activities are well catered for in the area with the Athletic Club being the main centre.

Town Hall A report on the Town Hall from Coun. Roberts stated that bookings continue to increase and the main hall has now been marked out for Badminton. It is hoped to include an entrance from the C.A.B. office into the foyer when refurbishment of the foyer, toilets, and stairs area takes place in the near future.

Hambleton C.A.B. Coun. Salmon reported that the Bureau is in a healthy state with many helpers. Enquiries are increasing all the time.

Community Care Association Coun. Morton reported on an active and successful year. A toy library has been opened and a Bereavement Group formed. There is a need for volunteer car drivers. There has been increased use of the Mini Bus and a new updated one needed.

Local Councils Association Coun. Murkett referred to the approaching Centenary of the Association. If there is to be a change in Local Government both the County and District Councils will be seeking the support of the Parishes. Parish Councils should consider very carefully which to support and demand to be given a share of the business rate.

Parish Map No report.

Conservation Area Advisory Group No report.

East Thirsk Community Association Coun. Salmon reported on the success of the Village Appraisal and the Children's Play Scheme. Planning has now commenced for the Community Hall and the views of local residents will be sought regarding the type of building they require. Coun. Marshall thanked Coun. Salmon for representing the Town Council on the Association.

Report from the Amenities Committee A written report from Coun. Roberts referred to ordering of new seats, the attraction of Mill Gardens for residents and visitors and the planting of trees at the Cemetery. The appearance of the grassed approaches to Thirsk, notably Stockton Road, Ingramgate and Kirkgate will be greatly improved when they are taken over by the Town Council. The Committee hope to clear the river banks, especially near Finkle Street Bridge, in the near future. Appreciation was expressed for the help and advice received from the Officers of the Environmental Health Department H.D.C. and Mr. Woods of N.Y.C.C.

Parochial Charities No report.

The meeting closed at 8.29 p.m.


Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Thirsk Town Council held in the Court House on Monday, 16th March 1992 at 8.30 p.m.

Present Couns. D. E. Loveden (Chairman), D. S. Murkett, H. D. Craig, B. W. Garthwaite, A. J. Morton, Miss J. Marshall, A. Robinson, R. S. Hall, J. M. Salmon + Mrs. P. A. Dunning.

Apologies for Absence received from Coun. Mrs. F. M. Roberts (holiday) and Coun. S. I. Clements.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated and approved, were signed by the Chairman. Prop. Coun. Murkett, sec. Coun. Hall.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

Use of Thirsk C.P.S. for a Play Area Coun. Murkett to enquire why the lease has not yet been forwarded from the County to the District Council.

Use of Thirsk C.P.S. for a Community Centre It was reported that the hall has reached the planning stage.

Garden for the Blind and Partially Sighted Nothing reported.

Seat - Old Sutton Road The Clerk reported that a new seat has been ordered for the site and a reply from Northern Electric still awaited.

Unit for the Elderly Mentally Confused A letter from the Community Care Manager (Older People) stated that the information about the origins of the people who were moved to Leyburn and Easingwold is almost exactly as notified in August 1991. It was agreed to ask where people from the Thirsk locality, who would previously have been placed in Sutton House, are now being accommodated.

Charity Shops A letter from William Hague, M.P., stated that he has already had representations from local retailers about the growing number of Charity Shops and their status with regard to business rates. Copies of the letters have been sent to Ministers at the Department of Environment and a copy of their response will be sent to this Council. A letter on behalf of the Chief Planner, in reply to this Council's letter to the Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, emphasised the point that the District Council has already invested considerable resources in Thirsk both through the Market Place improvements, the Town Scheme and the continued provision of employment land. It is not felt that the town's status as a shopping centre is being threatened by the existence of Charity Shops and the view is reiterated that, in spite of the current economic climate, Thirsk remains a buoyant centre. It was agreed that Couns. Marshall and Murkett meet with the Planning Officers to discuss this view and report to the April meeting.

Carrs Field A letter from Cave Heaton stated that notice can be given to the tenant of the field, who has asked for a year in which to leave, on behalf of the Trustees of Miss Johnson's Estate. Legal steps are now being taken to vest the land in the Town Council. It was agreed that the requested year be allowed and that the title into which the land is transferred shall be Thirsk Town Council.

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Central Heating for Cemetery Lodge Coun. Hall stated that the following quotations had been received for an oil fired system:

1. £3,297.00 + V.A.T. 2. £2,948.00 + V.A.T. 3. £3,261.00

Quotation No. 1, submitted by L. Almack & Son and within the price limit agreed at the February meeting, had been accepted.

Land at Hambleton Park A letter from the Chief Executive's Department stated that Barratts have increased their offer to £1,199.00 for the maintenance of the three areas of land, for which this Council has agreed to take over responsibility. Prop. Coun. Marshall, sec. Coun. Murkett 'that the offer be accepted providing that there are no legal fees payable by this Council'. Agreed.

C.A.B. Office - Town Hall A report from Coun. Roberts stated that a price of £618.00 + V.A.T. has been received for the making of an entrance from the C.A.B. office into the Town Hall foyer, the cost of which will be met by the Town Hall Committee if unavailable elsewhere. Permission for the work to be carried out was requested and granted.

Consumption of Alcohol in Public Places A letter from the Chief Constable stated that the matter will be investigated by Supt. Clough, Divisional Commander for the area concerned. Reply awaited from the L.C.A. A letter from the Chamber of Trade requested that the matter should still be pursued by all concerned.

Council of Churches The Chairman stated that he had attended a meeting with the Council of Churches regarding facilities for the youth of the town. They are to monitor the employment of an Outreach Worker at Northallerton after which they will re-appraise the situation at Thirsk.

Public Footpath - Hambleton Drive to St. Mary's Letter acknowledged by the Footpaths Officer.

Poop Scoop Byelaws for Town Council Land The Amenities Committee to recommend areas for which byelaws should be applied.

Tree Surgery - Mill Gardens At the request of Coun. Roberts, Mr. Duckworth of Northern Tree Services submitted a quotation of £176.00 + V.A.T. to remove broken hanging branches and dead wood located in the crowns of Willows in Mill Gardens. Prop. Coun. Morton, sec. Murkett 'that the work be carried out and the quotation accepted'. Agreed.

Finger Post for the Market Place Coun. Roberts had reported that it may be possible to obtain financial assistance from the District Council if the required extra bollard near the bus shelter were to be a finger post. Prop. Coun. Morton, sec. Coun. Salmon 'that a finger post be acquired'. Agreed. The Amenities Committee to decide on the amenities to be indicated.

Correspondence

Planning Appeal Notification received that the appeal by Dr. & Mrs. Garside against the District Council's refusal to grant planning permission for the construction of a bungalow at Station Road has been dismissed.

Dr.

Street Cleansing & Environmental Protection Act 1990 Letter received from the Chief Environmental Health Officer outlining the District Council's obligations under the Act regarding street cleaning and the emptying of litter bins. The District Council is empowered to make areas not under their control the subject of a Litter Control Area Order and this could apply to Parish and Town Council land. The District Council have agreed that the present status quo will be maintained in that they would continue to provide the existing street cleaning and litter bin emptying service at their own expense. Any additional services i.e. street cleaning and the provision and emptying of litter bins over and above the existing provision, would be carried out by the District Council provided that the Parish or Town Council agreed to contribute 50% of the relevant costs. Parish and Town Councils may, if they wish, make their own arrangements to ensure that their land is kept free of litter and, provided these measures were effective, the District Council would not be in a position to take any further action. It was agreed not to take any action at the present time and to monitor the situation.

Notice Board It was agreed not to grant a request for Greenpeace notices to be displayed in the Council's notice board.

Transfer of Licences Notice received of the intention of Patricia Fearnon to apply for the transfer of the Justices Licence and the combined Residential and Restaurant Licences in respect of Nevisons Hotel.

Finkle Street A complimentary letter from Mr. W. Johnston regarding the recent footpath works in Finkle Street to be forwarded to the County Surveyor.

Article 4 Direction - Thirsk and Sowerby A letter from the Chief Planner sought views on a proposal to introduce an Article 4 Direction for Thirsk and Sowerby which would allow more control over planning applications for alterations or developments which would detract from the appearance of the Conservation Area. It was agreed to accept the proposal in principle.

Mrs. Reynard A letter from Mrs. K. Reynard referred to the paving slabs in Mill Gardens, the need for shrubs for the gardens, the town's flower troughs and asked permission to obtain a new sweeping brush. It was agreed that a brush may be purchased and reimbursement made and that the other matters be left to the Amenities Committee.

Planning Decision

2/91/152/0437 Thirsk Athletic Club

Granted

Plans Observations had been made by the Sub Committee on the following Planning Applications:

2/91/152/0439 Alterations & Extensions to Existing Dwelling to Include a Domestic Double Garage to Replace Existing Garage at The Bungalow, Stockton Road, Thirsk for Mr. & Mrs. D. Howells.
No Objections.

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2/92/152/0438

Extension to Existing Dwellinghouse at 2, Darrowby
Close for Mr. & Mrs. G. Sharman.
No Objections.

Coun. Marshall produced photographic evidence of the fact that Persimmon Homes have flouted the conditions of their planning permission for development at Long Street by removing the hedge. The matter is being investigated by the District Council's Enforcement Officer. It was agreed that photographic evidence before and after development has taken place could be an advantage in future in certain cases. It was also agreed that the Sub Committee should decide which plans should be kept as it is now permissible for them to be retained.

Accounts The following Accounts were Approved for Payment. Prop.
Coun. Morton sec. Coun. Murkett.

Accounts as Circulated

I. Atkinson (S.O.)	- Payment as Cemetery Sup. - March	- £ 325.00✓
A. M. Duckworth	- Tree Planting - Cemetery	- £ 235.00✓
F. D. Todd & Sons	- Emptying Cemetery Skip	- £ 47.00✓
L. Mitchell	- Cleaning Bus Shelter Windows - 4Wks	- £ 8.00✓
P. Smith	- Salary - January - March	£550.00✓
" "	- Administrative Exp. to date	£ 66.35✓
" "	- Retirement Gratuity in accordance with	£ 616.35✓
" "	- L. G. Superannuation Regulations	£4665.00✓
L. C. Hopps	- Seat Repairs - St. James' Green	- £ 72.91✓
N.Y.C.C.	- Hire of No. 2 Court - July - Sept.'91	- £ 45.00✓

Additional Accounts

I. Atkinson	- Reimbursement of cost of materials to	
	repair Cemetery Tool Shed window	- £ 5.00-
Power Point	- Purchase of Edging Shears - Cemetery	- £ 25.85✓
" "	- Repairs to Strimmer	- £ 31.40✓
Wm. Potts & Sons	- Maintenance Contract - Town Clock	- £ 82.25✓

Grant of Exclusive Right of Burial (Receipt)

May Gregory	Grave Space 1	Section G6	- £ 154.00
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Reports

The Chairman reported that he has accepted an invitation to lay a wreath at the Canadian Memorial at Skipton Bridge on 10th May. Approval was given for the purchase of the wreath.

Any Other Business

Salem Chapel Burial Ground Coun. Murkett expressed concern at the state of the Burial Ground. Coun. Salmon stated that he is making investigations into the obligations of the owner of the land.

Car Parking Charges Coun. Morton raised the matter of the District Council's proposals to introduce car parking charges in the Market Place, Millgate Car Park and the Swimming Baths Car Park. It was agreed to protest most strongly to the District Council and support the objections of the Chamber of Trade.

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Public Footpath Signs Coun. Marshall asked that Public Footpath Signs be requested for both ends of the path from South Dowber Lane to Dowber Way, both ends of the path from Dowber Way to St. Mary's Way and the St. Mary's end of the path from St. Mary's to Hambleton Drive.

Ditch The attention of the appropriate authority to be drawn to the state of the ditch to the rear of St. Mary's Drive.

July Meeting To accommodate the holiday arrangements of the new Clerk it was agreed to change the date of the July meeting from the 20th to the 27th.

The meeting closed at 10.10 p.m.


Chairman

23rd March 1992

Account for the connection and disconnection of the power for Christmas Lights

A cheque was signed for £67.70 in payment of a revised account from Northern Electric to replace the account for £122.39 which was queried at the February meeting.