

**MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 26th AUGUST 2014 7:00PM
YORK HOUSE, GREAT BARUGH**

Present: Peter Milner (Chairman)
Carolyn Swift (Treasurer)
Dorothy Ashton (Clerk)
Richard Metcalfe
John Swift

Apologies: Susan Gough

Minutes

7. The Minutes of the last meeting held on 16th July 2014 were approved and signed.

Matters Arising

8. **Min 5. Planning application14/00614/FUL.** The Planning Application made by Mr. Stephen Houlston to change the use of land at Barugh Lane, Great Barugh, from agricultural to equestrian has been withdrawn.

Correspondence

9. **North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) Audit of grit bins.** An audit has been carried out of the number of grit bins at each location. The Chairman is still contesting the cash paid to NYCC for grit to fill the bins in Great Barugh, which has not been delivered. The Chairman will continue to pursue.

Planning Application

10. **13/00151/House. Min 34-2013** A retrospective Planning Application has been submitted by Mr. J. Everett in respect of substantial variations to the plan previously approved under planning application **13/00151/HOUSE**. The changes to the front elevation, boundary wall and carport at Glengairn, Great Barugh have not been completed in accordance with the original plan.

Residents of both villages, and particularly, some adjacent neighbours, have expressed their serious concerns as the building has developed in a manner clearly at odds with expectations.

The Chairman will reply to Ryedale District Council proposing that the retrospective planning application should not be approved.

Reasons given are summarized below.

The changes requested have been largely completed. Had the changes been in the original plan they would not have been acceptable to the Council. It is unclear why building was not stopped as soon as it was apparent that the approved application was not being complied with.

It is the opinion of the Council that the retrospective planning application should have been taken to a full planning committee and not categorised as a delegatable decision.

The current outcome is totally unacceptable as a part of this rural village street scene.

As the building is so large, the replacement of the timber cladding with red brick has the effect of making the building look more like an industrial building.

The effect is exacerbated by the insertion of 3 windows in the flat roof section and the addition of the 2metre stainless steel chimney on the flat roof.

The building is very visible from Barugh Lane and very obtrusive to neighbours and particularly the listed house opposite.

In summary, the present building structure results in a visual impact which is considered unacceptable in Great Barugh.

Of further concern is the potential unpleasantness of smoke and other pollutants coming from the chimney which could drift over a number of local properties, depending on wind direction.

Another concern is the delivery of large volume of fuel and the disposal of waste ash which seems at odds with the intention to reduce the building energy footprint. Additionally, running the boiler, deliveries, waste, etc, must increase the volume of heavy traffic through Great Barugh.

And finally, there is concern that, as the building work progresses, there may be further unexpected and unapproved changes to the plan.

There being no other business, the meeting closed 8.17pm.