

**Minutes of the Remote Meeting of Hushwaite Parish Council held on
Wednesday 13th January 2021**

Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), C. Colton (CC), J. Don (JD), B. Smith (BS), E. Smith (ES), R. Alexander (RA).

1. **Apologies:** J. Law (ill), County Councillor C. Patmore (attending Shipton PC meeting), District Councillor J. Mortimer (unable to login to the meeting).

Declarations of Interest: None.

2. **Minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of the last parish council meeting were approved and signed as a true record.

3. **Matters Arising:**

- 3.1 **25 Year Environmental Plan:** As JL was not in attendance, there was no update on progress.

- 3.2 **Community Right to bid on Hushwaite pub:** The company who own the building have been placed in administration and Christies have confirmed that a bid has been made on the property. The PC agreed that, although we are keen that the pub continues to operate, there is no need for us to progress our right to bid if there is a viable commercial option. The PC will request a copy of the 'Good Councillors Guide to Community Business' produced by YLCA. **Action: CF**

- 3.3 **Village assistance during Coronavirus lockdown:** Hushwaite Village Community Support Group have reiterated the help and support available during lockdown such as prescription collections, weekly soup run, monthly OVC lunches, dog walking and help with shopping. They have also offered to co-ordinate volunteer transport to vaccination hubs for those without transport.

- 3.4 **Village Christmas Tree:** The Christmas Tree idea was a resounding success and a real team effort - well done and thank you to all involved. The tree has now been removed and a metal cap has been fitted to the tree support base which leaves it is slightly raised above ground-level. Councillors will consider what can be installed over this area to ensure that it does not become a trip hazard when the grass gets longer. A recycled plastic fence post will be ordered to replace the post that is rotting in front of the benches. **Action: CF**

- 3.5 **Position of Clerk to Hushwaite Parish Council:** As we are in another lockdown and the next newsletter is another themed edition, the position of Clerk will not be advertised until spring.

4. **Matters that have arisen between meetings:**

- 4.1 **Vandalism at School and Recreation Area:** The gate between the school and the recreation area was damaged during the October half term holiday and trespassers entered the school grounds and caused minor vandalism to outdoor equipment. The gate was repaired by the school but has now been damaged again. The police have been informed and the installation of CCTV cameras is now being considered.

- 4.2 **HDC Making a Difference Fund:** The PC will submit an application for the cleaning and repainting of the MUGA surface which we consider meets the District Council's Enhancing Health and Wellbeing priority. **Action: CF**

5. **Planning Matters:**

- 5.1 **The following planning applications have been received:**

20/02558/FUL - The Banda, Woolpots Lane, Hushwaite - Small rear extension - The Parish Council were not consulted.

20/00016/TPO2 - Land to the South of Highthorne Lane, Hushwaite - Tree Preservation Order for 2 Ash and 1 Horse Chestnut - The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS.

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5.2 The following planning applications have been approved:

20/02427/CAT - Bank Cottage, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Proposed works to trees in a conservation area by no more than 20-25%.

20/02558/FUL - The Banda, Woolpots Lane, Husthwaite - Small rear extension.

5.3 Registration of New Property:

Plot 1 at the former garage in Low Street has been named Lilac Cottage and plot 3, Eller Carr.

6. Finance Report:

6.1 Current Account:

Cheques / Monies Out

11.11.20	101010	£19.25	Royal British Legion Wreath
11.11.20	101011	£90.00	NYCC County Fund - Elphin View Grit Bin including £15 VAT
11.11.20	101012	£234.00	J Coulthard - Clerk - September to November
13.12.20	101013	£57.50	J Walker - Christmas Tree installation
13.12.20	101014	£30.00	R Duffield - Christmas Tree installation
13.12.20	101015	£537.60	Farm & Land Services - Grass cutting including £89.60 VAT
		£968.35	

Cheques / Monies In

	NONE	
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Statement Balance at 31 December 2020 - £19214.91 (including £9644.88 Cemetery monies)

Balance at 13 January 2020 - £19184.91

Payments to be authorised:

J Coulthard - £110.00 - November to December 2020

J Coulthard - £50 - Expenses

6.2 Recreation Area Account:

Cheques / Monies In

15.11.20	.01	Interest
15.12.20	.01	Interest
	.02	

Statement Balance at 15 December 2020 - £1307.88

7. Circulated Items that may be of interest to the Council: None

8. Reports from Council Representatives:

Bier House: Quotes to weatherproof the Bier House roof will be requested from three sources. **Action: CF**

Cemetery: A request has been made to install a memorial plaque in the cemetery for an ex-parishioner who has been cremated. As there is currently no provision for this in the cemetery, it was agreed to explore the possibility of placing such plaques behind the bench. CF will investigate the area and then discuss the available options with the applicant. **Action: CF**

Easingwold & Villages Forum: Nothing to report.

HDC Parish Liaison Meeting: The last meeting was cancelled due to Coronavirus restrictions.

Highways: The Amplecarr will be CLOSED on Thursday 21st January for routine maintenance. The PC has received confirmation that NYCC Gritters concentrated on clearing Priority 1 & 2 routes during the recent icy conditions. The PC have requested that all the Grit Bins in the

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village be refilled after the recent spate of bad weather and have also requested that the damaged Grit Bin at East View be replaced.

Neighbourhood Watch: There has recently been an attempt to snatch a dog near Yearsley Woods and police are advising dog walkers in the area to be vigilant when walking their pets.

Public Footpaths: The footpath between the Recreation Area and the Nookin is flooded in parts, this will be reported to NYCC for remedial action. The PC has received complaints from farmers regarding dog owners letting their pets off the lead in fields containing sheep and cattle. Parishioners should be aware that if your dog is not under close control and farmers are concerned for the safety of their livestock, they are within their rights to take action. In addition, it is requested that dog owners place bags containing dog waste in the bins provided and not leave them hung around the village.

Recreation Area: CF has requested an up-to-date quote from Tennis Courts Yorkshire for the cleaning and repainting of the MUGA surface.

Street Lighting: Streetlight number 17 in Highthorne Lane has been reported as faulty and streetlight number 6 in Low Street has been reported as not working.

Village Hall: The village hall will remain closed until Coronavirus restrictions are lifted. The PC will pass the letter received from North Yorkshire Youth to the VH for consideration.

YLCA: The next meeting, due in February 2021, will take place on Zoom

9. **Reports from County & District Councillors:** As no Councillors were in attendance, no reports were given.

The Census for England & Wales will take place on 21st March 2021. This will be the first digital census, but help will be available for those with no digital skills or Wi-Fi.

10. **Date & Time of next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held remotely on Wednesday 10th March 2021 at 7:30pm.

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