Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council Held on Wednesday 17th August 2022 in Husthwaite Village Hall

Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), S. Aspinall, C. Colton, J. Hampshire, C. Nichols, E. Smith.

1. Apologies: NONE.

Declarations of Interest: NONE.

2. Planning Matters:

2.1 The following planning applications have been received:

22/01715/FUL - Springfield Farm, North Moor Road, Easingwold, York, YO61 3QE - Demolition of existing two-bedroomed bungalow and its replacement with four-bedroomed two storey house and detached garage - Response deadline 23 August 2022

22/01728/FUL - 5 Prospect Cottages, Husthwaite York, YO61 4PU - Proposed side and rear single storey extensions to dwelling - Response deadline 24 August 2022

22/01792/FUL - Plot 5, OS Field 8464, Highthorne Lane, Husthwaite - Construction of swimming pool - Response deadline 1 September 2022

22/01846/FUL - Field House, The Nookin, Husthwaite, York, YO61 4PY - Single storey extension to rear of property - Response deadline 31 August 2022

2.2 The Parish Council agreed the following responses:

22/01715/FUL - The Parish Council have **NO OBJECTIONS** to this proposal but as the Design & Access Statement reports that the new building *'is of high quality with low energy credentials'*, the Council would like to see the inclusion of solar panels and air source or ground source heating to support this statement.

22/01728/FUL - The Parish Council have NO OBSERVATIONS on this application.

22/01792/FUL - The Parish Council have **NO OBJECTIONS** to this proposal but would like to insist that a substantial fence is erected between plot 4 & 5 to abate the possible disturbance caused by noise from use of the outdoor swimming pool.

22/01846/FUL - The Parish Council wish to see this application **APPROVED** as the extension will not affect the street scene and will enable the resident, who has progressive mobility problems, to remain in their own home.

3. To discuss the Arboricultural Report on the Village Green Silver Lime Tree:

The inspection confirmed that 40% of the foliage is either chlorotic or absent and exudate is emanating from the bark on the trunk and scaffold branches. The tree report confirms that the Silver Lime has Phytophthora, fungus-like organisms which are among the most damaging plant pathogens and cause root rot, foliage blight and bark cancer, and recommends removal due to the trees location, condition and likely prognosis. The report did suggest that the Phytophthora could be pruned out but may leave the tree unbalanced and aesthetically displeasing and could also mean the tree would be prone to decay or secondary pathogens. After much discussion, in which Councillors agreed that it would be preferable to retain the tree which is a significant feature on the Village Green, it was decided to ask the opinion of three local tree surgeons and obtain quotes for both the pollarding of the tree and its removal so a decision can be made at the next meeting.

4. Grass Cutting in the Village:

Following correspondence received regarding the grass cutting contract, the Parish Council agreed the following:-

• Members of the Public will be requested to vacate the Recreation Area / Cemetery whilst the grass cutters are in attendance.

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- If members of the public refuse to vacate the area, the grass cutters are authorised to leave the area uncut and the Parish Council will honour the agreed cutting fee.
- The grass cutting regime will be agreed in advance by the Parish Council and the Parish Council will convey these instructions to the contractor in writing.
- Should there be any complaint regarding the work undertaken by the grass cutting contractor, this should be reported to the Parish Council who will decide on the appropriate action to be taken.
- A notice detailing these points will be erected in the Recreation Area Noticeboard.