

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on
Tuesday 14th September 2021 in Husthwaite Village Hall**

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

1. **Apologies:** District Councillor J. Mortimer (Westminster).
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:** Keith Gittens reported that the AONB had completed a third cut of Kendrew Green recently, due to the grass being extremely long. Unfortunately, they do not have funding for any further cuts this year so CF will ask the grass cutting contractors to undertake the final cut of the season. It was suggested that the draft summary of the Environmental Plan produced by JL should be circulated to all councillors so we can look at ways in which to progress the main objectives. In addition, BS and CF will ask the primary school if we can support them with any planned environmental projects. **Action: ALL**
 - 3.2 **Village Green Finger Post:** ES has received a quote of £385 for a cast aluminium Village Hall finger post, in the same font as existing, that can be attached to the existing signpost on the village green. The expenditure was agreed, and ES will place the order. **Action: ES**
 - 3.3 **Position of Clerk to Husthwaite Parish Council:** There has been no interest shown to date, so the position will be re-advertised in the next village newsletter. **Action: BS**
 - 3.4 **HDC Making a Difference Grant:** Pavescape Sports Surfaces started work on the drain installation and MUGA repainting today. As soon as the project is complete CF will submit the claim to HDC for the MAD grant.
 - 3.5 **Bier House Roof:** The builder who originally inspected the Bier House roof suggested that we request an estimate for the work from Brown Roofing who have submitted a quote for £2650 + VAT. Grant Roofing originally quoted £2630 and, as the estimates are so close, the Parish Council agreed to offer the tender to the contractor who could undertake the work in the shortest timeframe. **Action: CF**
 - 3.6 **Elphin View Traffic Sign:** The No Through Road / No Turning Beyond This Point sign has been erected at the entrance to Elphin View cul-de-sac.
 - 3.7 **New Model Councillor Code of Conduct 2020:** YLCA have still not offered any training sessions with regards to the new Model Code of Conduct so CF will look at the new document to ascertain the changes before the next meeting. **Action: CF**
 - 3.8 **Co-option of Parish Councillor:** HDC have confirmed that there have been insufficient requests from eligible electors for an election to fill the casual vacancy created by John Law's resignation, so the Council must now take steps to co-opt a qualified person. It was agreed that an advertisement will be placed in the Husthwaite Newsletter and on the Parish Council Noticeboard asking interested persons to apply in writing before the next meeting. **Action: CF**
4. **Matters that have arisen between meetings:**
 - 4.1 **CA16 20 Application – Newburgh Priory Estate, Coxwold** – CF will ask Peter Fox to look over the application and will contact Coxwold PC to offer our support if appropriate. **Action: CF**

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- 4.2 **Main Modification Consultation on the Minerals & Waste Joint Plan:** Peter Fox has confirmed that the South Hambleton Shale Gas Advisory Group have responded to this consultation on behalf of all members of the Easingwold & District Community Forum.
- 4.3 **Village Green Tree:** A village resident has expressed concerns about the village green tree so CF will ask the grass cutting contractors to arrange a survey of the tree. **Action: CF**
5. **Planning Matters:**
- 5.1 **The following planning applications have been received:**
21/01017/MRC - Former Garage, Low Street, Husthwaite - Variation of Application Reference Number 18/02661/MRC - The Parish Council wished to see the application REFUSED until a mutually agreeable compromise with neighbours can be agreed.
21/01821/FUL - Hillcrest, Elphin View, Husthwaite - Single storey extension to the rear of the property - The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS on the application.
21/01857/DDD - Greystones, High Street, Husthwaite - Removal of 2 trees - The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS on the application.
21/01960/FUL - OS Field, Highborne Lane, Husthwaite - The Parish Council agreed to resend the comments made on the previous applications for this site.
- 5.2 **The following planning applications have been approved:**
21/01594/CAT - Land at The Old Vicarage, High Street, Husthwaite - Application for works to 2 trees in a conservation area T1 removal of sycamore & T2 holm oak.
21/01604/MRC - The Old Lodge, Malton Street, Husthwaite - Application for variation of conditions no2 (approved plans - new elevation plan 1302_AR50_01A and revised design and access statement) following grant of planning permission reference 20/00190/FUL for demolition of east wing and construction of two-storey replacement.
21/01821/FUL - Hillcrest, Elphin View, Husthwaite - Single storey extension to the rear of the property.
- 5.3 **Broadening your Planning Knowledge Webinar:** Parish Councillors attended this webinar session, led by Planning Consultant Andrew Towler, on Tuesday 27th July.
6. **Finance Report:**
- 6.1 **Current Account:**
 Cheques / Monies Out

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Cheques / Monies In

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Statement Balance at 15 August 2021 - £21499.37 (including £10884.88 Cemetery monies)

Payments to be authorised:

YLCA - £22.50 - Planning Training Webinar

Vital Signs - £15.57 - Elphin View Sign

Citizens Advice Mid North Yorkshire - £50 - Donation

- 6.2 **Recreation Area Account:**

Cheques / Monies In

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Statement Balance at 15 August 2021 - £1307.96

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- 6.3 **Bank Charges:** HSBC have written to inform us that they are making changes to their community accounts. Consequently, the Parish Council account will become a Small Business Banking Account wef 1 November 2021 and this will have a monthly fee of £8 as well as charges for some services. Councillors agreed to investigate the availability of free community accounts with other banks before charging comes into effect. **Action: CF**
7. **Circulated Items that may be of interest to the Council:** NONE
8. **Reports from Council Representatives:**
Easingwold & Villages Community Forum: An extraordinary meeting has been called to discuss the future of this forum following the launch of the Hambleton District Council Vibrant Market Towns project.
HDC Parish Liaison Meeting: The last meeting was cancelled due to Coronavirus restrictions.
Highways: The resurfacing of Hithorne Lane has been completed in recent weeks. The blocked drains in High Street and The Nookin will be reported via the NYCC Portal.
Neighbourhood Watch: Nothing to report.
Public Footpaths: The local bridleways issues have been acknowledged by NY Paths and CAMS issue numbers allocated.
Recreation Area: CF has requested quotes from Image Playgrounds and Playscheme to replace the balance beam, monkey bars support bar and basket swing upright. **Action: CF**
Street Lighting: All lights are currently working.
Village Hall: The Village Hall Committee would like to purchase new ladders for the hall to replace the old wooden ones and have requested a donation from the PC. CF offered a cost-free option and councillors agreed a donation should this be unacceptable.
YLCA: The next meeting is planned for Wednesday 20th October and a suitable covid-safe venue is being sought. CF will forward the Village Hall hire details to YLCA.
9. **Reports from County & District Councillors:** As no councillors were in attendance, no reports were received.
10. **Date & Time of next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday 18th November 2021 in the Village Hall at 7:00pm.

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