

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 in Husthwaite Village Hall**

Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), C. Colton (CC), P. Fox (PF), B. Smith (BS), E. Smith (ES), Jan Coulthard (Clerk), Cllr. C. Patmore, T. Carter, C. Carter, J. Don, J. Law.

**1. Apologies:** NONE

**Declarations of interest:** NONE.

**2. Minutes of the Previous Meetings:** The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting and the last Parish Council meeting were approved and signed as a true record.

**3. Matters Arising:**

**3.1 Co-option of two Parish Councillors:** The Parish Council received four expressions of interest for the two Parish Councillor vacancies. All the applicants confirmed that they were eligible to hold office as a local councillor so all were accepted and nominated as eligible candidates. After two rounds of voting, Jane Don and John Law were co-opted by a majority vote. Both signed the acceptance of office and completed the registration of interests which the Clerk will forward to HDC. **Action: Clerk**

**3.2 Traffic near the School entrance:** This matter has been resolved to some extent by the provision of cones on the road adjacent to the school entrance. It is still hoped that parents will park further away from the bend in the road so as not to restrict the school entrance and avoid risk to schoolchildren and other road users. In addition parking at the road sides throughout the village, though usually not illegal, is causing some villagers to complain to the Parish Council, so CC has written a short article for the newsletter, asking people to be more neighbourly and thoughtful about risk to others when they park, utilising off-road parking if they are able.

**3.3 Fracking in North Yorkshire:** PF reported that a select committee of the House of Commons, whose vice-chair is Kevin Hollinrake, has issued a report against cumulative permissive developments by fracking companies in North Yorkshire and other areas in the country. The report objects to a recent joint ministerial statement proposing that the Government allow more developments such as exploratory drilling by fracking companies in areas including national parks and AONBs without the need for a planning application. This could affect Husthwaite and nearby surrounding area, so the South Hambleton Shale Gas Advisory Group have lodged a protest and are backing the select committee's report against permissive development. The Parish Council also asked the Clerk to contact Sheila Mowatt requesting that she circulate the details of a petition on this subject, from the website of 38 Degrees and the Campaign for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE) who are hoping to get enough people to sign so that the government is obliged to have the matter discussed in parliament. **Action: Clerk**

**3.4 Emergency Planning:** CC has circulated the DRAFT Husthwaite Emergency Plan to all members of the PC.

**3.5 Battle's Over - A Nation's Tribute:** This will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018. CC and CF will look at the potential field site and contact Suncliffe Beacon Farm about alpaca safety during the bonfire. They will also look for a site to set off Fireworks near the Village Hall. **Action:CF/CC**

**3.6 MUGA Surface Repair - Grant Applications:** Our application to the HDC Make a Difference fund has been successful and we have been allocated £1000 towards the cost of installing a drain between the school field and the MUGA. As we already have one quote for £1400, others will be requested before the work is undertaken. **Action: CF**

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**3.7 Asset of Community Value - Plum & Partridge:** Hambleton District Council have notified us that our Community Right to Bid nomination for the Plum & Partridge was successful and the property will remain on the Register of Assets of Community Value until 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**3.8 Bus Service 31X changes:** Transdev, the private bus company who recently took over the 31X route and made timetable changes resulting in a lack of buses from York to Husthwaite after 13:48, have not responded to our letter asking for the new timetable to be reviewed. Therefore the Clerk was requested to write again expressing our disappointment at receiving no reply and reiterating the point that workers, hospital patients and visitors as well as shoppers were badly affected by this new timetabling. **Action: Clerk**

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

**4.1 Review of Bus Service 59:** The Parish Council agreed to write to NYCC to support the continuation of this well used subsidised bus service. **Action: Clerk**

**5. Planning Matters:**

**5.1** The following planning applications have been approved:

1 Castle Cottage, Low Street, Husthwaite - Application to fell a Cherry Tree in a Conservation Area.

Spring Garth, High Street, Husthwaite - Removal of conservatory and construction of a two-storey extension to the rear of the property.

**5.2** The following planning application has been withdrawn:

Bruaich, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Application to fell an Ash Tree in a Conservation Area.

**6. Finance Report:**

**6.1 Current Account**

Cheques/Monies out

15.05.18	100944	£182.60	J Coulthard - Mar to May 2018
15.05.18	100945	£300.00	Husthwaite Newsletter
15.05.18	100946	£915.12	Came & Company Insurance
15.05.18	100947	£15.00	Petty Cash
<del>15.05.18</del>	<del>100948</del>	<del>£32.40</del>	<del>HMRC Tax CANCELLED</del>
		<b>£1412.72</b>	

Cheques/Monies in

22.05.18	£30.00	Interment of Ashes - Jarvis
	<b>£30.00</b>	

Statement balance at 30 June 2018 - £18082.64 (including £9424.88 Cemetery monies).

Balance at 10 July 2018 - £18067.64

Payments to be authorised:

Farm & Land Services - £546.00 - Grass Cutting May & June (including £91 VAT)

J Coulthard - £247.40 - May to July 2018 (including TAX refund)

**6.2 Recreation Area Account**

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Cheques/ Monies in

15.03.18	.07	Interest
15.04.18	.08	Interest
15.05.18	.07	Interest
	.22	

Statement Balance at 15 May 2018 - £1303.03

**6.3. Tenders for painting the Village Railings:** Quotes for repainting the village railings have been received from The Hambleton Handyman and John Howland. After careful consideration, the Parish Council agreed to accept the cheapest quote from The Hambleton Handyman and he will be asked to complete the task at his earliest convenience. **Action: CF**

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

**8. Reports from Council's Representatives:**

**Easingwold & Villages Forum:** ES attended the last meeting at which the proposed amendment to the constitution was accepted. Much of the business discussed concerned health provision in Easingwold and surrounding villages, with a talk from Dr Morris of Milfield Surgery. He reported that housing was growing fast and patient numbers could soon reach 10,000 but provision has not been funded to cope with this increase. A new site for a larger doctor's surgery may be planned. PF will attend the next meeting.

**HDC Parish Liaison Meeting:** Items discussed included GDPR, Protecting Vulnerable People in Rural Communities, Fly tipping & Refuse Collection Route Optimisation, HDC Portal and the draft Local Plan

**Highways:** NYCC have confirmed that Footway Resurfacing will commence on 16<sup>th</sup> July in Low Street and High Street. In addition, we have been informed that the recent surface dressing of the Amplecarr was only completed on the areas that had patching works done in the last year.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** Nothing to report

**Public Footpaths:** The footpath from the Nookin to Kays Bank has been reported.

**Recreation Area:** One of the Forest Traverse Posts in the Young Children's Play Area has rotted off at ground level. Playscheme, who installed the equipment, have been informed and have offered to check the remaining posts and replace the defective one at no cost.

**Street Lighting:** All lights are currently working.

**Village Hall:** The next meeting of the VH committee is on 24<sup>th</sup> July.

**YLCA:** CF reported that Superintendent Paula Booth, Area Commander, and Inspector Dave Murray had given a presentation on operational policing issues for town and parish councils. They informed us that Hambleton continued to be a low crime area and confirmed their commitment to Neighbourhood Policing which included focussing on anti-social behaviour in the Market Towns and involvement with the Safer Hambleton Hub.

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**9. Reports from County/District Councillor Caroline Patmore:**

The Government have decided that Police and Fire authorities in North Yorkshire will merge, despite local authority and householder opposition voiced in a recent survey.

Work is ongoing concerning joint devolution for parts of Yorkshire. The new area may include York, North Yorkshire, East Yorkshire and part of West Yorkshire. This would be another tier of government and would involve the election of a new Mayor for the whole area.

**10. Date and Time of Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 7:30pm in Husthwaite Village Hall.

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