

## HESSAY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 8.00PM IN THE CHAPEL SCHOOLROOM, HESSAY, ON WEDNESDAY 12 MAY 2010

**Present:** Councillors Nick Booth, Mark Barratt, Roger Hildreth and Phil Wood. Also present were two members of the public and the Clerk, James Mackman.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

#### **10.035 - ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Booth was proposed and seconded and unanimously elected as chairman.

#### **10.036 - TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S SIGNED DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE**

Councillor Booth signed the Declaration.

#### **10.037 – ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Hildreth was proposed and seconded and unanimously elected as vice-chairman.

#### **10.038 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

None.

#### **10.039 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Penny Taylor and City Councillor Ben Hudson.

#### **10.040 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10 MARCH 2010**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2010, having been circulated and read, were accepted and signed as a true record.

#### **10.041 - TO RECEIVE THE CITY OF YORK COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

No report.

#### **10.042 – TO MAKE DECISIONS ON PARISH COUNCIL LAND**

##### *(a) The village pond*

##### *i. Registration of the pond area as a Village Green update*

See agenda item 10.042d below.

##### *ii. General maintenance*

Councillor Hildreth reported that he has arranged for the first cut of the grass in the pond area to take place next week.

##### *(b) Allotments*

It was reported that Janice Hogg is the new tenant of the remaining allotment. All allotment rent was paid at the preceding Annual Parish Meeting.

##### *(c) New tenant for Thief Lane*

It was noted that Mike Lord will take on the tenancy of Thief Lane.

*(d) Registration of Parish Land*

It was resolved that steps should be taken to register the ownership of all the parcels of Parish Land with the Land Registry. **(Action Clerk)**

*(e) Other areas*

None.

**10.043- TO DISCUSS THE REPLACEMENT OF THE HEDGE IN THE CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA**

It was agreed that the hawthorn hedge that had been removed from the children's play area should be replaced by a hedge that had no thorns. The City Council is to be asked to make the arrangements. **(Action Clerk)**

**10.044 - TO DISCUSS THE INCIDENCES OF DOG FOULING IN THE VILLAGE**

It was reported that there have been fewer incidences of dog fouling over recent weeks.

**10.045 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

*(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions*

It was noted that the Local Planning Authority had approved no applications since the March Parish Council meeting.

**10.046 - TO DISCUSS CONTINUING IMPROVEMENTS TO COMMUNICATION**

Councillor Booth reported that a Spring Edition of the Hessay Parish Council News had been distributed in March.

**10.047 - TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE**

The subject of a Parish Council website was discussed at the preceding Annual Parish Meeting. It was agreed that a dedicated website would be better than a group on Facebook. No resolution was made.

**10.048 - TO DISCUSS ROAD AND PATH SWEEPING AND POTHoles**

It was noted that the City Council road sweeper had recently been through the village but with the weather having been so dry it had made little impression on the rubbish in the gutters. It was agreed that the City Council be made aware of this and that it be asked to remedy the situation. **(Action Clerk)**

It was noted that there has been an improvement in the state of the potholes.

**10.049 - FINANCE**

*(a) To receive a financial statement*

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 12 May 2010. The report reflected the receipts and payments (net of VAT) below. The bank balances at 12 May were:

Current Account	£500.00
Business Money Manager Account	£9,434.97

*(b) To agree accounts for payment*

71	Mark Barratt	Bird & bat boxes	£199.00
72	Ken Falkingham	Seat refurbishment	£48.00
73	YLCA	Annual subscription	£88.00

74	James Mackman	Clerk's salary net – April & May	£260.04
75	Post Office Ltd	Income tax – April & May	£65.00

*(c) To receive a report on income received*

HSBC	Bank interest	£0.94
City of York Council	First half year's precept	£1,350.00

*(d) To agree to subscribe to the YLCA for 2010-11 - £88.00*

It was agreed to subscribe to the YLCA subscription of £88.00 for the current year.

*(e) To consider subscribing to the York Open Planning Forum - £20.00 pa*

It was agreed not to subscribe to this organisation.

*(f) To agree the Statement of Accounts on the Annual Return*

The Clerk gave an explanation of the figures in the Statement of Accounts on the Annual Return. It was agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk should sign the form.

*(g) To agree the Annual Governance Statement on the Annual Return*

The Councillors considered the questions in the Annual Governance Statement of the Annual Return. It was agreed that the Parish Council response to all the questions is "Yes" and the Chairman and Clerk signed the form.

**10.050 - CLERK'S REPORT:**

*(a) Progress on moving the telegraph pole outside No. 3 Main Street (Min. 10.030a) – (Mar 09)*

It was noted that the pole has now been moved from the pavement to the verge.

*(b) Progress on the refurbishment of the seat by the notice board in Main Street (Min. 10.030b) – (Nov 09)*

It was noted that the seat has been refurbished.

*(c) Progress on the repairs to the pavement outside No. 6 Main Street (Min. 10.0130d) – (Nov 09)*

No progress to report.

*(d) Progress on the installation of bird and bat boxes (Min. 10.021c)*

The bird and bat boxes are to be installed later in the year.

*(e) Progress on the raising of the sunken manhole covering the road outside Wheatsheaf House (Min. 10.026) – (Mar 10)*

No progress on this subject.

**10.051 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK**

*10.051.1 - The Clerk read or referred to the following items of correspondence*

- (a) Marston Moor Internal Drainage Board - completion of audit for notice boards
- (b) A letter from Tockwith Residents' Association acknowledging the letter of support for its continued opposition to BCB's proposed incinerator

*10.051.2 - It was agreed that the correspondence received since the March Parish Council meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors*

- (a) ArborTech - Advert
- (b) Clerk & Councils Direct - May 2010, Issue 69
- (c) CE Electric UK - Community Update, April 2010

- (d) A letter of introduction from the new City Council Rural Housing Enabler
- (e) CYC - Streets Ahead - Spring 2010
- (f) North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority - Risk Management Plan - Consultation Summary
- (g) NYCC - Minerals Core Strategy First Consultation 2010
- (h) YCVS - Voluntary Voices, March, April and May 2010
- (i) YLCA York Branch - Papers for 3 June meeting
- (j) YOPF - Newsletter, April 2010
- (k) York Local Involvement Network - LINKed In, April 2010

**10.052 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

*Minor Matters*

The Clerk was asked to find the name of the contact for the Industrial Estate. **(Action Clerk).**

*Items for the next agenda*

- (a) Compost for the allotments
- (b) Ward Committee bids

**10.053 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING AS WEDNESDAY 14 JULY 2010 AT 7.30PM**

Agreed.

There being no more business the meeting was formally closed at 9.26pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....