

HESSAY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30PM IN THE CHAPEL SCHOOLROOM, HESSAY, ON WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2013

Present: Councillors Mark Barratt (Chairman), Helen Candy, and Roger Hildreth. Also present were City Councillor Chris Steward, three residents and the Clerk, James Mackman.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

13.098 – TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (NOT PREVIOUSLY DECLARED) ON ANY MATTERS OF BUSINESS

None.

13.099 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and approved from Councillor Hardcastle. Apologies were also received from Councillor Taylor.

13.100 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 11 SEPTEMBER 2013

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2013, having been circulated and read, were accepted and signed as a true record.

13.101 - TO RECEIVE THE CITY OF YORK COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Councillor Chris Steward said that:-

- There is to be a Ward Residents meeting at Askham Bryan on 20 November when one of the subjects for discussion will be the provision of superfast broadband
- There is City Council Budget Consideration a meeting at the Poppleton Centre on 21 November between 6.00pm and 8.30pm
- The City Council contacts for the Ward are now Michelle Watling and Suzanne Prance

13.102 – TO MAKE DECISIONS ON PARISH COUNCIL LAND

(a) Registration of Parish Land - To receive an update and make appropriate decisions

In Councillor Hardcastle's absence there was no report.

(b) Hessay Pond

- i. Stuart Cariss, who was attending the meeting, was thanked for looking after the pond area.
- ii. Councillor Hildreth had trimmed the grass along the verges by the pond.
- iii. Mr Cariss said that he would need a new strimmer to be able to cut the grass round the pond next year.
- iv. It was agreed that Mr Cariss should cut back the branches of the oak tree by the pond.

(c) Willow Garth

- i. A working party is to carry out a tidy-up of Willow Garth on 8 December.
- ii. It was agreed that 15 hawthorn plants should be bought to fill in the holes where plants have died.
- iii. Councillor Hildreth has cut the grass behind the new hedge.

(d) Allotments

There was no report on this subject.

(e) Thief Lane

No report.

(f) Sandpit Field

No report.

13.103 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(a) No planning applications had been received for consideration.

(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions

It was noted that the Local Planning Authority had approved the following application:

- Ref: 13/02547/FUL – Single-storey rear extension (resubmission) at Hedgerows, Shirbutt Lane by Mr & Mrs Sorby.

13.104 - TO DISCUSS CONTINUING IMPROVEMENTS TO COMMUNICATION INCLUDING SUPERFAST BROADBAND AND CONTINUING THE PARISH COUNCIL'S WEBSITE

Councillor Candy produced a draft questionnaire for residents to help identify the current provision and future needs of broadband in the village. The Councillors agreed to a number of amendments and then agreed to the questionnaire being printed and delivered to the houses in the village. It was also agreed that the questionnaire would be sent to those for whom we have an email address. The street address is to be included on the questionnaire to avoid duplication.

13.105 - TO DISCUSS ROAD AND PATH SWEEPING, POTHoles, BROKEN SIGNS AND THE STATE OF THE FOOTPATH IN NEW ROAD AND SHIRBUTT LANE

(a) It was reported that the potholes in New Moor Lane and the footpaths around the village have been patched up.

(b) It was reported that the subsidence of the road in Atterworth Lane is getting worse. The Clerk is to pursue the City Council on this matter. **(Action Clerk)**

13.106 – TO DISCUSS THE SUBJECT OF THE ENTRANCE TO THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IN NEW ROAD

There was no news to report on this subject.

13.107 - TO DISCUSS SIGNAGE TO DETER DRIVERS OF VEHICLES IN EXCESS OF THE WEIGHT LIMIT GOING THROUGH THE VILLAGE

It was noted that new signs have been installed and they seem to be having a positive effect.

It was agreed that residents should take a note of the registration number and the name of the company of any heavy vehicle that they see travelling through the village and email the details to the Parish Council's email address which is hessayparishcouncil@gmail.com

13.108 - TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON VILLAGE POLICING

It was noted that no incidents had been reported to the police during the months of September and October.

13.109 - TO DISCUSS HOW TO CELEBRATE THE TOUR DE FRANCE PASSING THROUGH THE PARISH ALONG THE A59 IN 2014

There was a long discussion to which the residents attending the meeting were invited to contribute. It was said that the event could be an enormous asset to York. Hessay is one of only two Parishes in York (the other being Upper Poppleton) that the Tour will pass through. Councillor Candy agreed to be the Parish Council's representative on a committee which is to be formed from people interested in exploiting the event for the village.

13.110 - TO DISCUSS THE PLANTING OF A PERMANENT CHRISTMAS TREE

It was agreed that a tree be bought and planted in early December. **(Action Councillor Barratt)**

13.111 - TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEM OF CHINESE LANTERNS

Discussion on this subject was deferred to a later date.

13.112 - FINANCE

(a) Financial Report

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 13 November 2013. The report reflected the receipts and payments (net of VAT) below.

The bank balances at 13 November were:

Current Account	£64.40
Business Money Manager Account	£9,436.05

(b) To agree accounts for payment

159	YLCA	5 copies of Good Councillors Guide	£10.00
160	Jack Holliday	Refurbishing the seat by the pond	£55.00
161	Blackfoot Hosting	Domain transfer	£18.50
162	Information Commissioner	Annual fee	£35.00
163	James Mackman	Clerk's salary net – October & November	£262.30
164	Post Office Ltd	Income tax – October & November	£66.00

(c) To receive a report on income received

HSBC	Bank interest	£0.95
City of York Council	2 nd half year's precept	£1,375.00
Northern Powergrid	Wayleave	£14.90

13.113 - CLERK'S REPORT:

(a) Progress on refurbishing the seat by the pond (Min. 13.093a) – (Jul 12)

It was reported that Jack Holliday had now refurbished the seat. The Clerk was asked to write a suitable letter of thanks to Mr Holliday. **(Action Clerk)**

13.114 - TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK

13.114.1 - The Clerk referred to the following items of correspondence:-

- (a) Ainsty (2008) Internal Drainage Board - Completion of Audit statements for notice board
- (b) CYC - Democracy posters
- (c) Healthwatch North Yorkshire - Poster and letter
- (d) Julian Sturdy MP – a letter and a poster advertising his surgeries for the next six months
- (e) NYCC - Waste recycling poster

13.114.2 - It was noted that the following correspondence received since the September meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Dee Marshall - Turning Yorkshire Yellow - Tour de France
- (b) North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Authority - Annual accounts
- (c) YLCA - Training programmes for 2014 enquiry

13.114.3 - It was agreed that the correspondence received since the September meeting, as listed below, be circulated to the Councillors

- (a) Clerk & Councils Direct - November 2013 - Issue 90
- (b) Rural Action Yorkshire - RAY News - October 2013

13.115 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS

None

13.116 – TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

The creation of a footpath along the Wetherby Road at Rufforth.

13.117 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the following meeting would be held on Wednesday, 8 January at 7.30pm. Subsequent meetings will be held on 12 March and 14 May 2014.

There being no more business the meeting was formally closed at 9.00pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....

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