

## HESSAY PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30PM IN THE CHAPEL SCHOOLROOM, HESSAY, ON WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2014

**Present:** Councillors Mark Barratt (Chairman), Helen Candy, Andrew Hardcastle and Roger Hildreth. Also present were City Councillor Chris Steward, one resident and the Clerk, James Mackman.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

Councillor Hildreth was absent for the first three items on the agenda.

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

None.

#### **14.089 - TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVE REASONS FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies of absence were received and approved from Councillor Penny Taylor.

#### **14.090 - TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 23 JULY 2014**

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 July, having been circulated and read were accepted and signed as a true record.

It was agreed to bring agenda item **14.095** (verge cutting) to this point on the agenda so that it could be discussed in the absence of Councillor Hildreth. Two quotations for cutting the grass verges in the village had been received and were considered by the Councillors. It was agreed that the quotation from Roger Hildreth, being the cheaper, be accepted. Shortly after the decision had been made Councillor Hildreth joined the meeting.

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

City Councillor Chris Steward gave an update on the York Local Plan and reported that the York Minster badge which costs £20 for two years, but allows residents to claim a reduced parking charge, is now in operation.

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

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

Councillor Hardcastle said that a date for seeing the people who are to sign Statutory Declarations has been agreed.

*(b) Hessay Pond*

The Chairman thanked Stuart Cariss for the work that he has carried out in the pond area this year. Mr Cariss reported that there are 16/17 ducks on the pond at the present time.

*(c) Willow Garth*

It was noted that Mr Cariss has strimmed a strip of grass behind the hedge and he was thanked for doing this. Mr Cariss also reported that some of the hedging had disappeared.

*(d) Allotments*

No report on this subject.

*(e) Thief Lane*

No report on this subject.

*(f) Sandpit Field*

No report on this subject.

**14.093 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

(a) There were no planning application to consider

*(b) To note Local Authority Planning Decisions*

There have been no decisions since the July Parish Council meeting.

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

It was reported that the Parish Council's website now shows the following:- "Residents are invited and encouraged to suggest items for discussion at Parish Council meetings. Similarly organisations or individuals may apply for a grant or donation from the Parish Council. In both instances please inform the Clerk no less than two weeks prior to a Parish Council meeting to enable the subject to be put on the agenda."

There was no news on the subject of superfast broadband in the village.

**14.095 - TO DISCUSS ROADS, FOOTPATHS, SWEEPING, SIGNAGE, POTHOLE, AND MAKE DECISIONS FOR VERGE CUTTING WITHIN THE VILLAGE**

(a) Councillor Hildreth reported that he had cut the verges and some hedges where there was reduced visibility.

(b) It was noted that the damaged chevron at the bend in Atterwith Lane has still not been repaired. **(Action Clerk)**

**14.096 – TO DISCUSS THE JUNCTION OF NEW ROAD WITH THE A59 & THE ENTRANCE TO THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE IN NEW ROAD**

City Councillor Chris Steward reported that he had been unable to contact the City Council Officer regarding the junction but would keep trying.

The Councillors discussed the problems with the New Road/A59 junction.

The Clerk agreed to find out if the police had any information on the accidents at the junction over the last few years. **(Action Clerk)**

**14.097 - TO DISCUSS THE CREATION OF A FOOTPATH ALONG THE WETHERBY ROAD AT RUFFORTH.**

The Clerk reported a conversation with Alistair Briggs, the City Council's Traffic Network Manager, who had told him that Andy Vose was the Council Officer who may be able to help on this subject. The Clerk is to contact Mr Vose. **(Action Clerk)**

**14.098 – TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC CALMING IN MAIN STREET**

The Councillors discussed a number of options regarding traffic calming including

- A battery operated speed indication unit
- A gateway similar to the one in Hodgson Lane, Upper Poppleton. .
- Chevrons painted on the road.

It was agreed that the Clerk make enquiries of the relevant authorities on these matters. **(Action Clerk)**

**14.099 - TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON VILLAGE POLICING**

It was note that no incidents had been reported to the police during July and August

**14.100 - FINANCE**

*(a) Financial Report*

The Clerk presented a detailed report showing the actual income and expenditure for the year for the period to 10 September 2014. The report reflected the receipts and payments (net of VAT) below.

The bank balances at 10 September were:

Current Account	£500.00
Business Money Manager Account	£8,732.58

*(b) To agree accounts for payment*

187 James Mackman	Clerk's salary net – August & September	£262.70
188 Post Office Ltd	Income tax – August & September	£65.60
190 James Mackman	Expenses	£5.91

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

HSBC	Bank interest	£0.95
Tour de France Event	Ticket sales	£689.84

**14.101 - CLERK'S REPORT:**

*Progress on the subsidence of the road in Atterwith Lane (Min. 14.083) – (Nov 13)*

No news on this subject. **(Action Clerk)**

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

*It was noted that the correspondence received since the July meeting, as listed below, had already been circulated to the Councillors*

- (a) Julian Sturdy MP - E-Bulletin
- (b) Rhian Davies - CYC-Rural broadband update
- (c) YLCA - North Yorkshire Health and Wellbeing newsletter July 2014
- (d) YLCA - White Rose Update

**14.103 - TO CONSIDER MINOR MATTERS**

None

**14.104 – TO CONSIDER ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

To discuss the provision of a Christmas tree.

**14.105 - TO AGREE THE DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was agreed that the following meeting would be held on Wednesday, 12 November at 7.30pm. Subsequent meetings will be held on 14 January and 11 March 2015.

There being no more business the meeting was formally closed at 8.43pm.

Chairman.....

Date.....2014

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