

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2015 in Husthwaite Village Hall**

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Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), P. Escreet (PE), P. Fox (PF), A. Gambles (AG), B. Smith (BS), E. Smith (ES), J. Coulthard (Clerk).

1. **Apologies:** Cllr C. Patmore who was attending Crayke Parish Council meeting.

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Approved and signed as a true record.

3. **Matters Arising:**

3.1 Parish Council Defibrillator Cabinet: Husthwaite has been allocated a free defibrillator and cabinet from the Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby Clinical Commissioning Group Community Defibrillator Initiative, so the defibrillator we have at present is now surplus to needs. Therefore it was agreed that it should be offered to Millfield Surgery. **Action: Clerk**

3.2 Blocked drain: Despite being reported by Cllr Patmore again, Elphin View drain is still blocked. Barney Smith suggested "tweeting" NYCC to encourage action on the matter. **Action: BS**

3.3 Dog Waste Bin: The new dog waste bin has been installed on Ings Lane. There has also been a complaint about people leaving full "poo bags" on public footpaths. Dog walkers can put these bags in any bin including the black wheelie bin at the cemetery and it was agreed to put a message in the Newsletter to residents. **Action: Clerk**

3.4 School Parking Warden: The warden has visited the school at lunchtime and initiated parking fines. CF will ask Councillor Patmore to suggest the warden visits at school opening and closing times to catch those parking dangerously at those particular times. **Action: CF**

3.5 Updating the Parish Plan Action Plan on the Village Website: Paul Escreet has transferred the Action Plan onto a spreadsheet so the Council can check on progress on the action points. This will be circulated to all members to update as necessary. **Action: ALL**

3.6 Sunken Grave: The sunken grave in the cemetery now has bulbs growing on it. It will still need turf when they have finished flowering. **Action: CF**

3.7 Prospect Cottages Development: Although the planning application was presented to the Planning Committee Meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> Feb, no formal decision has been published officially as yet. CF complained that the Planning Officer did not mention the Parish Council's comments at the hearing, but Tim Wood responded that a supplementary paper containing these comments was circulated before the Planning Meeting. In addition a complaint has been made by a village resident, about the lack of PC representation at the hearing on 5<sup>th</sup> Feb. A response was sent to the resident explaining that the PC was well represented by Cllr. Caroline Patmore, and that the land had already been designated for housing in the Hambleton Local Development Framework. The letter and the response are to be published in the next Newsletter. **Action: Clerk**

3.8 Speeding Traffic: Pat Wilson, Community Safety Manager from Safer Hambleton, has informed us that the development officer will conduct a risk assessment in Husthwaite before a decision is made regarding our request for a vehicular activated speed matrix board. In addition it was agreed to enquire about the Community Speedwatch Scheme where the village can get a Speed Gun and training on its use from NY Police. The idea is not so much for prosecution as deterrence. **Action: CF**

3.9 New Parish Council E-mail: We now have a PC email through which all councillors can be contacted. It is [husthwaitepc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:husthwaitepc@hotmail.co.uk). Jan Coulthard, the Parish Clerk, will maintain this email.

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3.10 Community shop: Responses from Spar and Nisa indicate that the demographic in this area is not able to support their type of business.

3.11 Registration of Financial and Personal Interests: All interests for Husthwaite Parish Councillors are now available to view on the Hambleton District Council website. This information will be updated for all new parish councillors after the election in May.

3.12 Parish Council Elections: These will take place on May 7<sup>th</sup> alongside District and General Elections. All current members of the PC must complete a nomination pack if they wish to apply for re-election. A flyer, encouraging villagers to stand for election, was approved for distribution to each house within the village. Election papers, polling numbers and information about who can stand, are available from the Parish Clerk. **Action: CF / AG / Clerk**

3.13 Ings Lane to Baxby Mill Public Footpath: After a visit by the Environment Agency, the manure has been moved away from near the gateway next to the footpath from Ings Lane towards Baxby Mill (just after the bridge over the beck near The Hideaway). However the Environment Agency will be revisiting the site to monitor the situation so the problem does not reoccur. The Footpaths Officer from NYCC was unwilling to pursue the matter at the moment. The PC will monitor and possibly ask him to intervene if the situation worsens.

3.14 Overgrown Recreation Area Boundary: It was agreed that a thorough 3 day clear-up of overgrown brambles etc was needed, and Chris Slater will be asked to complete the job as soon as possible.

3.15 Police Action after recent Burglaries: The police have agreed to do personal visits to those worried about security and can provide timer switches and alarms for sheds if requested. All residents will be encouraged to keep a look out for suspicious vehicles or activities and are requested to take note of the registration numbers of any unfamiliar vehicles. It was also agreed to look into the feasibility of installing CCTV cameras in the village to assist with crime prevention or detection. **Action: CF**

3.16 Enforcement of planning laws: Concern about the construction of a building in the village without planning permission has been reported to the Planning Enforcement team at Hambleton District Council, who are monitoring the situation.

**4. Planning Matters:**

4.1 The following planning applications have been received:

Greystones, High Street, Husthwaite - Application for proposed works to trees in a conservation area. (The Parish Council has No Observations on this application)

The Lodge, Husthwaite - Proposed two storey extension with rear porch. (The Parish Council has No Observations on this application)

4.2 The following planning applications have been approved:

St Nicholas Church, Low Street, Husthwaite - Works to fell an ash tree subject to TPO 1991/1.

High Leys, Malton Street, Husthwaite - Installation of a 20 metre high lattice mobile phone base station and accompanying antenna and dishes.

Greystones, High Street, Husthwaite - Application for proposed works to trees in a conservation area.

4.3 Consultation on the following planning applications is ongoing or close to a decision:

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The Orchard Inn, Low Street, Husthwaite - Proposed discharge of conditions 03 details of materials, 04 scheme of refrigeration, 06 scheme of ventilation and extraction, 13 details of barriers and signs.

Land at rear of Sleepy Hollow, High Street, Husthwaite - Outline application for development of 20 dwelling houses. (This planning application was presented to the Planning Committee on 5 February).

Greystones, High Street, Husthwaite - Proposed discharge of conditions 02 details and samples of materials. (The Parish Council was not consulted on this application).

**5. Finance Report:**

5.1 Current Account

Cheques/Monies out

20.01.15	100855	£190.00	C Slater (Cemetery Yews)
20.01.15	100856	£65.00	SLCC Subscription
16.02.15	100857	£1.50	YLCA (Affordable Rural Housing)
16.02.15	100858	£50.00	Citizens Advice Bureau Donation
16.02.15	100859	£100.80	Glasdon (Dog Waste Bin) inc £16.80 VAT
16.02.15	100860	£25.00	Petty Cash
		<b>£432.30</b>	

Cheques/Monies in

19.02.15	£150.00	Bier House Rent
13.03.15	£220.00	Burial Plot & Interment
	<b>£370.00</b>	

Statement balance at 15 February 2015 - £12494.57

Account balance at 17 March 2015 - £12622.27 (including £8374.88 Cemetery monies)

Payments Authorised but not yet paid

John Howland - £750.00 (Painting of Village Benches)

NYCC Highways - £75.00 + VAT (Elphin View Salt Bin)

Play Inspection - £125.00 + VAT (Annual Inspection of Recreation Area)

5.2 Recreation Area Account

Cheques/Monies in

15.12.14	.02	December Interest
15.01.15	.02	January Interest
15.02.15	.02	February Interest
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Statement Balance at 15 February 2015 - £389.80.

5.3 Recreation Area Committee Account

No Transactions

Statement Balance at 3 March 2015 - £3.28.

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**6. Circulated Items That May Be Of Interest To The Council:**

6.1 White Rose Update - Free basic training for the digitally excluded across Yorkshire: Although only available until March this was referred to the Village Hall Committee and the Orchards Club.

6.2 Hambleton, Richmondshire & Whitby Clinical Commissioning Group - Community Defibrillator Initiative: See 3.1

6.3 Part 6 1 of the Commons Act 2006: The Clerk was requested to contact NYCC Commons Registration to determine which land within the village is registered as Common Land.

6.4 Affordable Rural Housing: A link to the publication will be placed on the village website.

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

7.1 YLCA Hambleton Branch: Under the Freedom of Information Act, recording or filming of Parish Council meetings is permitted but, as previously agreed, notice must be given to the Clerk or Chair prior to the meeting. In addition Parish Councils can now apply for the Local Council Awards Scheme, from foundation up to gold standard. It was thought that it may be useful to apply for this, as a gold standard could carry weight in grant applications, so information on how to do this will be sought. **Action: ES**

**8. Reports from County/District Councillor:**

As Cllr C Patmore was not in attendance, no report was given.

**9. Date and Time of Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00p.m. in Husthwaite Village Hall

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