

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on
Tuesday 15th November 2016 in Husthwaite Village Hall**

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

1. Apologies: P. Escreet (working).

Declarations of interest: NONE.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meetings: Approved and signed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising:

3.1 Parish Plan Actions Review: Parish Councillors have visited the OVC and Youth Club to talk about the work of the PC and receive ideas about future projects. The Youth Club suggested a bike trail, a toilet at the Recreation Area and Floodlights on the MUGA. Problems concerning the cost of toilet maintenance and monitoring were raised, but ES suggested a composting toilet might be the answer and agreed to investigate costs. It was also agreed to obtain estimates for a bike trail and floodlights so funding options could be considered. **Action: ES, CC, CF**

The OVC requested more street lighting on the Nookin but CF pointed out that there are already 6 lights on the Nookin (working until midnight) which are as frequently spaced as anywhere else in the village. CC will pass this information to the OVC. **Action: CC.**

CC and BS are to visit the school in the near future.

3.2 Enforcement of Planning Laws: Bye Green Holdings have withdrawn their latest planning application and HDC is to be asked what progress is now to be made. The Parish Council have made representations on the revised planning application for Sunley Woods Farm and a decision is awaited from the planning authority. **Action: PF**

3.3 Commons Act 2006 Registered Land - Kendrew Green: PF informed David Bowe of our disappointment at the NYCC request for us to withdraw the application to register Kendrew Green as a common and he has agreed to look into mutually acceptable options for the future. Cllr. Patmore should be asked if she is aware of any progress and if she is not, Mr. Bowe of NYCC should be asked. **Action: PF**

3.4 Fracking in North Yorkshire: The public meeting in Easingwold was well supported and those attending heard from pro and anti-fracking speakers.

The Minerals and Waste Joint Plan final draft has been published and comments must be forwarded to NYCC before 21st December. The plan suggests that access for shale gas traffic should be from A or B roads, *directly or indirectly* and, as this affects minor roads, the local Shale Gas Advisory Group attended by PF have included in their draft critique of the plan that these words be reconsidered. PF also suggested that one recommendation they would endorse was that, instead of 400m from any development, the fracking well should be at least 500m from any isolated property, or 1.5 km from any group development, or further depending on elevation. This critique will eventually be sent to NYCC and all local PCs and it was agreed that Husthwaite PC would write to NYCC to endorse the document. **Action: PF**

3.5 Kendrew Green Grass Cutting & Trees: As there has been no decision on the ownership of Kendrew Green, discussions regarding the grass cutting regime and works to the Wych Elm tree will be put on hold until next year.

3.6 Emergency Planning: Work is continuing on this. **Action: CC**

3.7 Local Plan - Call for Sites: Meetings for the public and local Parish Councils will take place on

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22nd November in Easingwold, where attendees will be able to view proposals for future commercial and housing developments in Easingwold and surrounding villages up to 2035. As a "service village" Husthwaite will be expected to accept some new housing in the Local Plan, and the Parish Council must select a preferred option from what has been offered. Although the PC consider that both options are not ideally suited to housing, the one that will be supported within Husthwaite is Area E/071/002. Councillors will attend the meeting and it is hoped Husthwaite villagers will also go and forward their comments to Hambleton District Council.

3.8 Bier House Guttering: John Heighton will replace the guttering on the Bier House in the near future.

3.9 Parish Council Noticeboard: This is being restored by Andrew Coulthard, who has obtained original drawings by Wilf Hutchinson, and oak from his son Trevor to complete the task. Hopefully this should be completed within a month now that the old noticeboard wood has dried out thoroughly.

3.10 Ducting work on Kays Bank: CF has written to Mr Hewitson explaining that the PC has no influence over NYCC Highways decision not to repair the damage to his land and said that, should he wish to take the matter further, he should contact them directly.

3.11 Highways Maintenance: The clerk wrote to NYCC Highways on Sept. 22nd about the failure to repair parts of the Coxwold-Husthwaite Road and Amplecarr-A19, but no reply has been received.

3.12 Cemetery Gatepost: The gatepost has been repaired by Mike Barker at no cost to the village.

4. Matters that have arisen between meetings:

4.1 Parish Liaison Meeting: As there was no items of specific interest on the agenda, it was agreed not to send a representative from the Parish Council.

5. Planning Matters:

5.1 The following planning applications have been received:

The Garage, Low Street, Husthwaite - Outline planning permission with all matters reserved for the demolition of existing buildings and construction of 4no dwellings. (The Parish Council wished to see the application REFUSED as three of the proposed dwellings are well behind the development limit).

Sunley Woods Farm, Coxwold Road, Husthwaite - Revised retrospective application for change of use from agriculture to temporary mixed use, adding external temporary storage of log cabins and static holiday homes. (The Parish Council wished to see the application REFUSED in its current form).

Spring House, Low Street, Husthwaite - Demolition of existing sun room and part of garage structure, construction of two storey rear extension. (The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS on the proposal).

5.2 The following planning applications have been approved:

The Outwoods, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Application to carry out works to trees in a conservation area.

Black Bull Cottage, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Construction of single storey dwelling and garage as amended by details received 25 July 2016.

5.3 The following planning applications have been withdrawn:

Bye Green Holdings, Low Street, Husthwaite - Retrospective application for an extension to an existing agricultural building.

5.4 Consultation on the following planning applications is ongoing:

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Orchard Inn, Low Street, Husthwaite - Variation of Conditions 2,4 and 6 of Planning Application
13/01724/FUL as amended by e-mail on 22 April 2016.

6. Finance Report:

6.1 Current Account

Cheques/Monies out

20.09.16	100904	£196.00	J Coulthard - July 2016 to Sept 2016
20.09.16	100905	£4.00	HMRC TAX - July 2016 to Sept 2016
20.09.16	100906	£110.95	C.Fenwick - Glass Display Cabinet
20.09.16	100907	£50.00	Citizens Advice Bureau
22.10.16	100908	£19.25	Royal British Legion - PC Wreath
		£380.20	

Cheques/Monies in

30.09.16	£3750.00	HDC Precept - 2 nd Installment
15.10.16	£150.00	Bier House Rental - August 2016 to January 2017
	£3900.00	

Statement balance at 15 October 2016 - £15707.89 (including £8924.88 Cemetery monies).

Balance as at 15 November 2016 - £15727.69 (including £8924.88 Cemetery monies).

Payments to be authorised:

J. Coulthard - £200 - September 2016 to November 2016

NYCC - £90.00 (Elphin View Grit Bin inc £15.00 VAT)

Husthwaite Village Hall - £500

6.2 Recreation Area Account

Cheques/Monies in

NONE

Statement Balance at 15 August 2016 - £1301.94.

7. In the absence of Mrs Coulthard, who withdrew from the room whilst this item was discussed, it was agreed that the conditions of the Clerk would remain unchanged but the pay would be increased by 2.5% to £1230 for the following year, the allowance of £150 for office expenses would not alter.
8. The following proposed expenditure for 2016/2017 was agreed:

Grass Cutting	£2000
YLCA Membership	£ 125
LCC Membership	£ 70
Insurance	£ 930
Audit	£ 200
Clerk	£1380
Village Hall	£1000
Cemetery	£ 200
Petty Cash	£ 25

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Donations	£ 100
Newsletter	£ 300
Miscellaneous	£1200
Recreation Area	<u>£1000</u>
Total Expenditure	£8530
Year end balance	£1244
Expected Income	<u>£ 301</u>
Shortfall	£6985 + 10% = £7685

Therefore it was agreed to maintain the precept at **£7500** for 2017/18. **Action: CF**

9. Circulated Items That May Be Of Interest To The Council: None

10. Reports from Council's Representatives:

Village Hall: The new Village Hall Committee for 2016/17 consists of Stephen Barker (Joint Chair), Jeremy Walker (Joint Chair), Angela Sibley (Treasurer), Lynn Colton, Sheila Mowatt (Bookings Secretary), Annabel Kennedy, Sandie Davison and Rebecca Colton (Secretary). The minutes of the 2016 AGM will be available in the next Husthwaite Newsletter.

Easingwold & Villages Forum: PF reported items from the 27th October AGM which he attended. Since there were no other candidates, the present chair will continue in office. A new constitution was passed. The next meeting is on 9th December.

YLCA: No Councillor could attend the last meeting.

Public Footpaths: Nothing to report.

Highways: Nothing to report.

Street Lighting: All street lights are working.

Neighbourhood Watch: Thefts of horse boxes and equestrian equipment are on the increase and doorstep sellers have been seen in the area, please report all incidents to the local police on 101.

MUGA: Nothing to report.

11. Reports from County/District Councillor Caroline Patmore:

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

12. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th January 2017 at **7.30p.m.** in Husthwaite Village Hall.

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