

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on
Tuesday 20th September 2016 in Husthwaite Village Hall**

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Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), C. Colton (CC), P. Escreet (PE), P. Fox (PF), A. Gambles (AG), B. Smith (BS), E. Smith (ES), Cllr. C. Patmore (CP), J. Coulthard (Clerk), Keith Gittens.

1. Apologies: NONE

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: Craig has written to the Primary School, Primetime and the Youth Club offering a visit by Parish Councillors to discuss what is important to these groups in Husthwaite. The first visit will be to the Youth Club on 28th September. **Action: CC & CF**

3.2 Enforcement of Planning Laws: As yet there has been no action on the enforcement of planning decisions by HDC Planning Department regarding developments at both Bye Green holdings and Sunley Woods Farm. Cllr Patmore will contact HDC about what action is to be taken. **Action: CP**

3.3 Commons Act 2006 Registered Land - Kendrew Green: NYCC has confirmed that Kendrew Green was designated as part of the highway in 1943 and have requested that we withdraw our request to register it as a green. However, Husthwaite PC has maintained the green for at least 40 years at substantial cost and there is now a question of public liability if we are to continue to occupy NYCC land. Therefore our preferred solution would be for NYCC to transfer the land to Husthwaite PC which would clarify ownership and maintenance liabilities. Cllr Patmore will raise this issue with NYCC, and also the issue of costs the village has borne. **Action: CP**

3.4 Fracking in North Yorkshire: It was reported that there will be a public meeting in the Galtres Centre, from 6-9 pm on 29th October. Admission will be by ticket only from www.evenbrite.co.uk or the Galtres Centre. This will be a panel event and questions must be submitted in advance.

3.5 Kendrew Green Grass Cutting & Trees: As the Parish Council are not the legal owners of the green and the responsibility for its maintenance is under review, a decision on the grass cutting regime and works to the Wych Elm tree will be put on hold until next year.

3.6 Emergency Planning: We are awaiting input from Mark Gambles, an expert in emergency planning, who is kindly lending his expertise. **Action: CC**

3.7 Display Cabinet: A glass display cabinet was purchased from Amazon at a cost of £100 + delivery. It is now located in the Village Hall Foyer and contains the Hambleton Community Awards that were presented to the village earlier this year.

3.8 Solar Farm Community Benefit Fund: Caroline reported that it seemed unlikely that the large solar farm will now go ahead as government funding for these projects had stopped.

3.9 Local Plan - Call for Sites: Correspondance with Jennine Nunns, Planning Policy Officer at Hambleton District Council, clarified the 'mixed use' and 'multiple use' designation for the two sites put forward in Husthwaite. Over 100 dwellings with children's recreation area and some B2 use is proposed for Site E/071/001 and 5-10 dwellings plus provision of a car park for the village hall is proposed for site E/071/002. As agreed Craig has written to express the concerns of the Parish Council and confirm that neither site would be supported as proposed. It was agreed that parishioners would be encouraged to respond to the public consultation on the local plan expected later in the year.

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3.10 A19 Junction: NYCC Highways and the Traffic & Development Team recognise that the junction would benefit from improvements but have confirmed that the site is neither a Cluster Site (where personal injury accidents frequently occur) nor a route of concern this financial year. Local people involved in incidents at this location are asked to inform both the police and Highways in order for dangerous occurrences to be logged.

3.11 Bier House Guttering: Two quotes have been received to remove the asbestos guttering on the Bier House and replace with pvc. The tenders from John Heighton and Chris Slater were presented to the Council and the contract was awarded to John Heighton. **Action: CF**

3.12 Parish Council Noticeboard: The noticeboard has been removed and is currently undergoing restoration courtesy of Andrew Coulthard.

3.13 Ducting work on Kays Bank: The PC sympathises with the householder whose verges were damaged by trenching undertaken by BT. However, the PC cannot take action against BT nor influence NYCC Highways or any other statutory body to repair the damage. **Action: Clerk**

4. Matters that have arisen between meetings:

4.1 Community Led Housing Survey: The surveys from the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and Rural Action Yorkshire (RAY) were completed by the Council.

4.2 Hambleton District Council Budget Consultation: The survey, requesting views on our satisfaction with council services, was completed by the council. Individual members of the public can obtain copies of the survey from HDC offices or online at www.hambleton.gov.uk

5. Planning Matters:

5.1 The following planning applications have been received:

Black Bull Cottage, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Construction of single storey dwelling and garage as amended by details received 25 July 2016. (The Parish Council did not respond to this consultation).

The Outwoods, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Application to carry out works to trees in a conservation area. (The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS on the proposal).

5.2 The following planning applications have been approved:

Hollytree Cottage, Low Street, Husthwaite -Single storey rear extension to existing dwelling.

5.3 The following planning applications have been refused:

Sunley Woods Farm, Coxwold Road, Husthwaite - Change of use from agriculture to temporary mixed use, adding external temporary storage of log cabins and static holiday homes.

5.4 Consultation on the following planning applications is ongoing:

Black Bull Cottage, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Proposed single storey dwelling and garage on land adjacent to Black Bull Cottage.

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

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

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19.07.16	100900	£90.00	C Slater - Cemetery Bench
19.07.16	100901	£230.00	C Slater - Recreation Area Works
19.07.16	100902	£200.00	J Coulthard - May 2016 - July 2016
15.08.16	100903	£460.80	Farm & Land Services (inc. £76.80 VAT)
		£980.80	

Cheques/Monies in

20.09.16	£1.15	NE Wayleave
	£1.15	

Statement balance at 15 August 2016 - £12667.54 (including £8924.88 Cemetery monies)

Balance as at 20 September 2016 - £12207.89 (including £8924.88 Cemetery monies)

Payments to be authorised:

J. Coulthard - £196 - July 2016 to September 2016

HMRC TAX - £4 - July 2016 to September 2016

C. Fenwick - £110.95 (Glass Display Cabinet)

Citizens Advice Bureau - £50 (donation)

6.2 Recreation Area Account

Cheques/Monies in

15.06.16	.08	June Interest
15.07.16	.07	July Interest
15.08.16	.08	August Interest
	£0.23	

Statement Balance at 15 August 2016 - £1301.94.

6.3 PKF Littlejohn have completed the review of the Annual Return for Husthwaite Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2016 and, as there was no extra work to be undertaken, there is no payment due. The notice of conclusion of audit will be placed on the Village Noticeboard and the Parish Council section of Husthwaite website.

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

8. Reports from Council's Representatives:

Village Hall: The Village Hall AGM will take place on Monday 24th October at 7pm. The VH has been selected to apply for a possible Lottery grant of £50,000 to continue improvements at the hall.

Easingwold & Villages Forum: PF reported on the development of a new skateboard park in Millfield, Easingwold, the likelihood of Husthwaite pub opening before Christmas 2016, and the need to appoint a new chair at the AGM on October 27th.

YLCA: ES attended the June meeting, at which there was a presentation by Amy Ellis (NYCC Highways Customer Communication Officer) about the online Parish Portal for highway defects. Membership of the YCLA has risen this year and they are in the process of assembling a list of approved internal auditors for councils. The next meeting will be held on October 26th.

Public Footpaths: The stile on the footpath from Highthorne Lane to Flower O'May is still in need of attention.

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Highways: Multiple potholes at the edge of the road opposite Pendle have been reported to NYCC and are now awaiting repair. The clerk was requested to write to NYCC Highways to ask why the road resurfacing from Coxwold stopped at the Husthwaite border, and why the worst section of the C96 road from Providence Hill to A19 has been left unrepaired. **Action: Clerk**

Street Lighting: All street lights are working.

Neighbourhood Watch: Tools were recently stolen from a vehicle in Raskelf during the hours of darkness. The next meeting of Husthwaite NW will be held on Monday 17th October.

MUGA: The 'Caution Children Playing' sign is very faded and in need of replacing. A bag of bottles etc was left next to the bin near the children's play area. Vigilance is needed to keep the area safe for children. **Action: CF**

Cemetery: The cemetery gatepost has rotted at ground level and CF has asked Mike Barker to mend it. **Action: CF**

9. Reports from County/District Councillor Caroline Patmore:

HDC has confirmed a charge of £35p.a. for green bins from April 2017. If not needed, the bins will be removed. Villagers can request more than 1 green bin, each costing £35 p.a. They will be emptied once a fortnight as now. The householder will be billed separately by HDC, rather than have this added to council tax.

10. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th November 2016 at 7.00p.m. in Husthwaite Village Hall

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