

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on
Tuesday 19th September 2017 in Husthwaite Village Hall**

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Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), C. Colton (CC), P. Escreet (PE), P. Fox (PF), B. Smith (BS), E. Smith (ES), J. Coulthard (Clerk), Lynn Colton, Stephen Barker, Jeremy Walker, Sandy Davison.

1. Apologies. Cllr C Patmore (Crayke PC meeting).

Declarations of interest: NONE.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meetings: The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising:

3.1 Co-option of Parish Councillor: Hambleton District Council has informed us that they have received insufficient requests from eligible electors for an election to fill the casual vacancy. Therefore the PC has now been authorised to co-opt a duly qualified person and it was agreed that we should place a notice on the PC noticeboard and in the newsletter requesting expressions of interest from eligible persons who wish to be considered for co-option. **Action: Clerk**

3.2 Enforcement of Planning Laws:

a) Sunley Woods Farm: PF reported that the enforcement order had not yet been enacted by HDC following the refusal of planning permission. The number of units has increased and there has been no response from the planning authority to e-mails sent by the PC. PF will continue to monitor.

Action: PF

b) Bye Green Holdings hours of working: According to HDC, the alleged breach of working hours conditions is ongoing. **Action: CP**

3.3 Fracking in North Yorkshire: PF reported that NYCC has given permission for 3rd Energy to continue drilling at the Kirby Misperton site in Ryedale, which has now started despite significant protest. Locally the South Hambleton Shale Gas Advisory Group has put forward a detailed and useful paper to NYCC during the latest consultation period, pointing out that the issues they had raised earlier had not been addressed. However they supported NYCC's proposed amendment to its Minerals and Waste Joint Plan in so far as it would require regard to be had to District Councils' Local Plans. HDC is currently preparing its Local Plan and it was resolved to write to the relevant officer supporting SHSGAG's proposal that the Landscape Character Assessment which HDC commissioned recently and which highlights the particular sensitivity of our area should be included in the Local Plan. PF undertook to draft a letter for the Clerk. The Examination in Public of NYCC's final draft Minerals and Waste Joint Plan by a Government appointed Inspector is not now expected until next year. **Action: PF & Clerk**

3.4 Emergency Planning: Members of the village hall committee attended the PC meeting to discuss a joint approach to Emergency Planning in Husthwaite. Blue light services will obviously respond to major incidents but, for utilities loss, bad weather or epidemics, NYCC have advised villages to produce an Emergency Plan. The information within will be distributed to villagers and NYCC to let them know who to contact if needed. CC will produce a draft based on the discussion and information contained in the Community Emergency Plan document obtained from NYCC. **Action: CC**

3.5 Battle's Over - A Nation's Tribute: CF still to contact Richard Duffield regarding the field for the beacon. **Action: CF**

3.6 MUGA Surface: A quote of £65 + VAT from Farm & Land Services to treat the MUGA surface with mossicide and sweep with a stiff brush afterwards was accepted and they will be asked to undertake the job at their earliest convenience. **Action: CF**

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3.7 **Young Children's Play Area Swings:** The cradle swing has been ordered and Playscheme will install it when it arrives. **Action: CF**

3.8 **Village Hall Trust Deed and CIO:** PF and Sheila Mowatt discussed the pros and cons of the Village Hall registering as a CIO and decided that no application will be made.

3.9 **Untaxed Vehicles / Street Trading:** The local police confirmed that they had contacted the owner of the untaxed vehicles parked on the street in Husthwaite and they have now been moved. PF found out that street trading without a licence is an offence occurring fines and that Trading Standards would be prepared to act if necessary. After a letter to the alleged street trader from the PC, it appears the offending vehicles have been removed from the highway. The PC will continue to monitor the situation and if trading reoccurs Trading Standards will be informed.

4. **Matters that have arisen between meetings:** None

5. **Planning Matters:**

5.1 The following planning applications have been received:

Bruaich, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Works to trees in a conservation area. (The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS on the proposal)

OS Field 8972, Bell Lane, Husthwaite - Proposed change of use to glamping site and proposed low level tree house. (The Parish Council supported this modest and discreet addition to the Hideaway business which will enhance the local community and support the local economy)

Wilton Croft, Low Street, Husthwaite - Works to fell a tree in a conservation area. (The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS on the proposal)

5.2 The following planning applications have been approved:

The Vicarage, High Street, Husthwaite - Application to fell one sycamore tree plus carry out works to one oak tree and one sycamore tree in a conservation area

5.3 The following planning applications are still under consideration:

The Garage, Low Street, Husthwaite - Outline application (considering appearance, access, layout and scale) for the demolition of buildings and construction of 3 dwellings as amended by details received by HDC on 25th May 2017.

Land at Bye Green, Low Street, Husthwaite - Outline planning application, including access, with all other matters reserved for a single residential dwelling.

6. **Finance Report:**

6.1 Current Account

Cheques/Monies out

11.07.17	100927	£210.00	J Coulthard - May 2017 to Jul 2017
11.07.17	100928	£556.80	Farm & Land Services (inc. £92.80 VAT)
		£766.80	

Cheques/Monies in

14.8.17	£30.00	Interment of ashes (Atkinson)
21.8.17	£150.00	Bier House Rent (August 2017 - January 2018)
18.9.17	£1.15	Northern Electric Wayleave
	£181.15	

Statement balance at 15 August 2017 - £14532.46 (including £9144.88 Cemetery monies).

Account balance at 19th September 2017 - £14683.61

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Payments to be authorised:

J. Coulthard - £210 - July 2017 to September 2017

6.2 Recreation Area Account

Cheques/Monies in

15.6.17	.04	Interest
15.7.17	.04	Interest
15.8.17	.04	Interest
	.12	

Statement Balance at 15 August 2017 - £1302.47

6.3 PKF Littlejohn have completed their review of the Annual Return for Husthwaite Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2017 and, as there was no extra work to be undertaken, there is no payment due. The External Auditor Report and Notice of Conclusion of Audit have been placed on the Village Noticeboard and on the Parish Council section of Husthwaite website.

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

There were no items of interest in the circulated documents.

8. Reports from Council's Representatives:

Village Hall: CF reported that the village hall had requested a PC donation towards display boards (£150), a chair trolley (£150) and surround sound (£500). At the AGM on Oct 30th, the village hall committee will be looking to fill several posts, including that of Stephen Barker, who is leaving the committee after 40 years' service.

Easingwold & Villages Forum: PF reported that the new chair is Mr Peter Nottage, who is instigating a Community Plan update. Husthwaite PC reiterated their original points, except complaints about broadband since this has improved. Parking problems in Easingwold continue to increase as people leave cars in the town centre all day when using public transport. With the increase in housing, this will only get worse and, because of financial restrictions, there are no plans to alleviate this. Easingwold Lions gave a presentation at the meeting about the provision of defibrillators.

YLCA: CF will attend the next meeting on 25th October.

Public Footpaths: BS has reported the footpath from the MUGA to the Nookin which is blocked by overgrown hedges and undergrowth. This could be tackled as part of the October cutting regime.

Highways: The pothole adjacent to the bus shelter is still full of water that seems to be originating from a leak in High Street. Yorkshire Water opened an inspection hole in the pavement but this has now been filled in. Passengers waiting at the bus stop continue to get splashed by passing vehicles and the hole continues to deepen. CF will contact Yorkshire Water and Highways again. **Action: CF**

Street Lighting: CF has reported light number 2 in Low Street as not working.

Neighbourhood Watch: Thefts of tools from vehicles have been reported in Easingwold and neighbouring villages.

9. Reports from County/District Councillor Caroline Patmore:

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

10. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 21st November 2017 at 7.00p.m. in Husthwaite Village Hall.

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