

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on
Tuesday 13 July 2010**

1

Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), R.Houlston (RH), P Davison (PD), E.Smith (ES)

In Attendance: B.Ward (clerk), Cllr C Patmore NYCC

1. **Apologies:** R. Woodhead Cllr P Featherstone HDC

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

3. **Matters Arising:**

3.1 **Passing Places:** Highways N Yorkshire have responded to the effect that, due to the severe winter diverting resources, the project has been postponed. It is however, proposed to create two passing places on the Carlton Husthwaite road and one on Malton Street during the current financial year.

3.2 **Condition of roads:** In response to a letter from the Parish Council, Highways N Yorkshire have indicated that they will not act until they are certain of recompense for the expenditure. This implies that if the claim fails the work will never be done. This was considered unacceptable and the Clerk was directed to write indicating the PC's dissatisfaction. The matter will also be taken up within NYCC by Cllr Patmore. **Action: Clerk & Cllr Patmore**

3.3 **Village Design Statement:** No further action to report.

3.4 **Village Green Seat:** The concrete bas has now been completed and the seats installed. It is a significant improvement and complimentary comments on their appearance have been received. All concerned in the installation were thanked. There remains a need to attach a plaque to one of the seats in memory of Charles Pearson. It was also agreed that it was necessary that the seats are treated with a preservative. PD has what he believes is a suitable product and will test it on a less visible part of one seat. **Action: Clerk to progress, PD/RH to pursue preservative.**

3.5 **Footpath to the rear of The Old School:** a response has been sent to the applicant requesting certain assurances. To date there has been no response.

3.6 **Painting of Railings:** Work has commenced, the Village Green and part of Kendrew Green having been completed. A quote of £420 has been received from Brian Manders to paint the railings on East View and this was accepted. ES suggested that the sign posts should be painted at the same time but it was felt that this was the responsibility of the County Council. **Action: Clerk to advise Mr Manders**

3.7 **Street Lights:** The new street lights in Prospect Cottages are now fully working but the old ones remain to be removed.

3.8 **Land at corner of High St and East View:** A reply has been received from Highways N Yorkshire that they have neither money or resources to do anything about this problem.

4. **Matters Arising Between Meetings.**

There were no matters arising between meetings.

5. **Planning/Planning Policy:**

The following planning applications have been received

Wilton Croft Low Street Husthwaite North Yorkshire YO61 4QA - Proposed refurbishment of existing domestic storage building to form living accommodation with linking extension to existing dwelling.

Signed.....Date 14 September 2010

Woolpots Farm Woolpots Lane Husthwaite North Yorkshire YO61 4PH - Proposed discharge of conditions 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 & 9 - Attached to planning application 09/00898/FUL

Wortley Cottage The Nookin Husthwaite Thirsk North Yorkshire YO61 - 4PY Non material change - squaring the corner of sunroom to previously approved scheme alterations to form a canopy and single storey extension to form a sun room (09/01693/FUL)

The Balmoral Low Street Husthwaite North Yorkshire YO61 4QA -Installation of heat dump extraction stack

The following applications have been approved

The Old School House, Low Street - proposed discharge of condition 02, materials, attached to application 09/01363/FUL

Black Bull Cottage - Non Material Change, reduce height of stone (north) wall to previously approved scheme for alterations

6. Finance:

6.1 Current Account

Cheques/Monies out:

28.05.10	100703	£831.06	AON Limited Insurance
07.06.10	100704	£506.67	Burn Bros (Grass cutting)
07.06.10	100705	£35.00	Rural Action Yorkshire subscription
08.06.10	100706	£12.50	York & N Yorks Playing Field Assoc'n subs
13.07.10	100708	£188.66	G&J Douthwaite (Village Green seat base)

£1573.89

Cheques/Monies in

NIL

Statement Balance at 30 June 2010 - £4781.32

6.2 Cemetery Fund

	<u>Monies in</u>		<u>Monies out</u>
10.06.10	£50.00	Memorial fee re Drinkhill	
	£50.00		NIL

Statement Balance at 13 July 2010 - £4781.32

6.3 Recreation Fund HSBC a/c

	<u>Monies In</u>		<u>Monies Out</u>
25.06.10	£455.00	Broadacres HA grant for seats	NIL
	£455.00		NIL

Statement balance at 3 July 2010 £455.00

Signed.....Date 14 September 2010

Standard Life a/c

	<u>Monies in</u>	<u>Monies out</u>
28.05.10	£10.31 Interest	
26.06.10	£10.67 Interest	
	£20.98	NIL

Statement Balance at 13 July 2010 - £7681.13

6.4 The following accounts were approved for payment:

G&J Douthwaite - provision of base for village green seats £188.66

Half yearly grant to Village Hall £500.00

7. Circulated Items

Parish/Community Caretaker Scheme: This offers funding from the LEADER Project for a part time employee to assist with general tasks such as improving the village environment, general maintenance in the recreation area etc. It was agreed to pursue the matter and PD would sound out the LEADER Project representatives at his next meeting with them. Concern was expressed about any liabilities falling on the parish council due to this employment. This would be investigated prior to any possible take-up.

8 Reports from Council's Representatives on Other Bodies.

8.1 Hambleton Play Partnership - the most recent meeting was given an update on the Playbuilder scheme which unfortunately does not give any benefit to Husthwaite. PD had queried whether there was any response from Balfour Beatty about providing a better track into the recreation area. It seems that all we can do is to continue to push for response.

8.2 Easingwold & Villages Forum - the last meeting was not particularly productive as there was a low attendance due to a clash with members other commitments. The AGM is on 20th July at which a presentation will be given about plans for an outdoor activity centre in Easingwold which will be available for general use. There will also be a presentation by Cameron Macintosh about the Husthwaite Orchard Village project.

8.3 Recreation Area - PD presented a report on the Recreation Area (copy attached). The contractor has now started work on the young peoples' play area and the grass play area. It is expected to be complete during August although the grass area will need some time for the grass to establish before being put into use.

Cleveland Land Services have requested payment of the sum held on retention. As there are a number of significant defects requiring remedy it was decided to continue to hold this sum until they are completed. **Action: Clerk to advise Cleveland Land Services**

The cost of two benches made from recycled plastic and a waste bin for the site is £827 incl VAT. Possible cheaper sources will be investigated.

9. Reports from County/District Councillors.

NYCC - Cllr Patmore gave her report from NYCC. In line with all other councils NYCC are currently working on the cuts necessary to meet government targets. It is likely that all non-statutory activities will cease to save money. The current nine scrutiny committees will be reduced to five and the Executive will be cut from nine to seven. The full Council meets on 21st July and will make the final decisions.

Waste disposal is another major problem for the Council. Plans are well advanced for a central site

Signed.....Date 14 September 2010

at Allerton Park for all waste from the County. This will include incineration as well as recycling, digesters etc.

10 AOB:

10.1 The school have asked if it would be appropriate to put a gate in the boundary between the school and the Recreation Area to enable them to take the children through. This was agreed and the contractor who has quoted for a fence in the Area will be asked to add the gate to his quote..

10.2 ES suggested that it may be a good idea to get the 30mph signs on Amplecarr moved from their present location to a position prior to the entrance to the Recreation Area. This was agreed and Highways N Yorkshire will be approached. **Action: Clerk. to contact Highways**

Date and Time of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be 7.30pm, Tuesday 14th September 2010. Venue: Village Hall, Husthwaite

Signed.....Date 14 September 2010

ON THE MOVE

Now that summer weather has arrived, the tempo concerning the Recreation Area is certainly 'hotting up'.

On 15th June, the AGM of the Recreation Area was held in the Village Hall with 15 villagers in attendance. This was a most encouraging response and everyone seemed to enjoy the occasion which was very informal. Highlights included refreshments, a power point pictorial presentation by Mark Gambles of developments on site over the last two years, mini updates about 'What's Going On' with regard to tennis, netball, the Youth Club, the football tournament, a Children's Fun Day and finally how one village family is making full use of the MUGA. Everyone present felt free to contribute at some stage with information, comment or questions.

Anyone who has been in the vicinity of the Recreation Area recently will have noticed that the earth is moving - literally! Phase 2 development is now well under way. A huge digger has been on site and used by the contractors (Playscheme of Elvington) to level the ground in two areas, using a cut and fill procedure. As a result, both the Grass Play Area and the Young Children's Play Area are now taking shape. This phase is funded predominantly from the LEADER programme plus grant support from both North Yorkshire County Council and Hambleton District Council. This very welcome extension to our recreational amenities is scheduled for completion in mid-August.

Readers may recall that during the summer holidays last year, a programme of sporting activities was arranged and well attended by children and young people. It is our intention to make similar provision this year. Details at this stage may be summarised as follows:

- Monday 2nd August TENNIS 10.00 - 12 noon
Coaches - Howard and Pauline Brown
Suitable for those aged 10 years and over who can play already and wish to improve.
As numbers will be restricted to 8 maximum, please book in advance by ringing Elaine Smith (868572) or Peter Davison (868449)
- Monday 9th August FOOTBALL 10.00 - 12 noon
Coach - Will Mowatt
- Monday 16th August TENNIS 10.00 - 12 noon
Coaches - Howard and Pauline Brown
Arrangement as for 2nd August session
- Monday 23rd August TENNIS FOR BEGINNERS 10.00 - 11.00 a.m.
Coaches - Members of Coxwold Tennis Club
- Monday 30th August FOOTBALL 10.00 - 12 noon
Coach - Will Mowatt
- Session with Play Rangers employed by Leisure & Recreation Section of Hambleton District Council
Arrangements to be circulated
- SUMMER TEAM FUN SESSION
Saturday 41 September 10.00 - 11.45 a.m.
Organised by the two Churches - details to be circulated

Anyone who has yet to visit the Recreation Area is warmly invited to take part in some physical activity or watch others doing so, or merely take a seat and enjoy the setting.

Peter Davison