

**Minutes of the Meeting of Husthwaite Parish Council held on
Tuesday 10th September 2019 in Husthwaite Village Hall**

Councillors Present: C. Fenwick (Chair), C. Colton (CC), J. Don (JD), P. Fox (PF), J. Law (JL), B. Smith (BS), E. Smith (ES), County Cllr C. Patmore (CP), Mrs J. Coulthard (Clerk).

1. **Apologies:** District Cllr J. Mortimer (ill).
Declarations of Interest: NONE.
2. **Minutes of the previous meetings:** The minutes of the last parish council meeting were approved and signed as a true record.
3. **Matters Arising:**
 - 3.1 **Fracking in North Yorkshire:** PF reported that there was still no report from the Government Inspector. CP commented that the Glover Report had recommended that there should be no fracking wells within National Parks and Areas of Natural Beauty.
 - 3.2 **Bus Service 31X:** The clerk wrote to the Parish Councils of villages on the service 31X route beyond Easingwold to ask them to forward their suggestions for the service to Reliance Bus Company and Coxwold PC have confirmed their support for more useful timings.
 - 3.3 **25 Year Environmental Plan:** JL presented an environmental plan that he has devised for Husthwaite which he suggested should be circulated within the community to gauge interest. Councillors advised that contact should be made with the AONB, Primary School and Village Hall Committee & Clubs and suggested that a survey could be circulated with the Newsletter for households to fill in, which could then be collected, and information collated. **Action: JL**
 - 3.4 **Village Green tree:** Farm & Land Services have completed the agreed works to the lime tree.
 - 3.5 **Amplecarr / A19 Junction:** Judging by the rubber skid marks on the A19, there have been further incidents of near misses involving vehicles turning right into the C96 towards the Amplecarr. Disappointingly, we have had no reply to our response to David Bowe's letter and CP offered to chase this up with NYCC. **Action: CP**
 - 3.6 **Visit to Allerton Waste Recovery Park:** Councillors will have a tour of the site on Tuesday 29th October at 2pm.
 - 3.7 **Kendrew Green Trees:** NYCC Highways have surveyed the Wych Elm trees and are planning works to both diseased elms and an ash tree. The Gardening Club have informed the PC that they are having plaques made for the three planters stating that they were presented by the PC and Village Trust in recognition of the Gardening Club's 60th anniversary and have asked if we are willing to make a contribution each year towards plants. The PC agreed to donate up to £100.
 - 3.8 **Public Access Defibrillator Parts:** CF has ordered a new battery (for the Husthwaite defib) and a set of pads (for Restarting Hearts) from Cardiac Science.
 - 3.9 **The Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) Accessibility Regulations:** The PC are awaiting guidance from YLCA on the new regulations so a decision can be made on what action must be taken. **Action: CF**
4. **Matters that have arisen between meetings:**
 - 4.1 **Hambleton Local Plan:** No suitable sites for housing have been allocated to Husthwaite in the new plan and five of the suggested Greenspace sites have been approved - the Recreation Area, the Cemetery, St Nicholas Church, the Village Green and East View Green. Only Kendrew Green was rejected as it is owned by NYCC.

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- 4.2 **Village Website:** Lawrie Hill has informed the PC of his intention to step down as website administrator in 2020 and CF will seek his advice about planning for the future of www.husthwaitevillage.com. **Action: CF**
- 4.3 **Attestation of Existence:** A request has been received from a parishioner for an attestation of existence to send to the French pension authorities and it was agreed that this could be completed in the presence of the parishioner. **Action: CF**

5. Planning Matters:

5.1 The following planning applications have been received:

19/01328/REM - The Garage, Low Street, Husthwaite - Application for the approval of reserved matters - The Parish Council made NO COMMENTS.

19/01403/FUL - Tomahawk Steakhouse, Low Street, Husthwaite - Retrospective application for the construction of two sets of timber decking and railings to the front of the public house to provide improved outdoor seating area - The Parish Council wished to see the application APPROVED.

19/01139/FUL - Land to the rear of Bank Cottage, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Construction of detached dormer dwelling with attached garage as per amended plans received on 30th July - The Parish Council had NO OBJECTION to the construction of one dwelling.

19/01722/CAT - Black Bull Cottage, The Nookin, Husthwaite - Works to tree within a conservation area - The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS.

19/01379/FUL - Oakfield. High Street, Husthwaite - Retrospective application for construction of a garden shed - The Parish Council had NO OBSERVATIONS.

19/01863/OUT - Land to the south of The Woodyard, The Amplecarr, Husthwaite - Construction of a new dwelling and barn - The Parish Council wished to see the application REFUSED because of problems with the access (on the brow of a hill, near a corner, with a history of subsidence) and also as there are no proven exceptional circumstances for building outside of the development limits.

5.2 The following planning applications have been approved:

19/00781/FUL - Balderance Farm, North Moor Road, Easingwold - Change of use of agricultural land to dog walking paddocks with associated agility courses and car parking.

6. Finance Report:

6.1 Current Account:

Cheques / Monies Out

2.07.19	100978	£186.00	J Coulthard - May to July 2019
2.07.19	100979	£20.00	Petty Cash
2.07.19	100980		HMRC TAX - CHEQUE CANCELLED
2.07.19	100981		CHEQUE CANCELLED
		£206.00	

Cheques / Monies In

9.09.19	£1.15	Northern Powergrid Wayleave
	£1.15	

Statement Balance at 15 August 2019 - £17322.76 (including £9424.88 Cemetery monies)

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(NB. Cheque 100971 for £312.00 to Farm & Land Services is unpresented)

Balance at 10 September 2019 - £17011.91

Payments to be authorised:

Hambleton District Council - £100.00 - Election Expenses

Farm & Land Services - £444.00 (including £74.00 VAT)

J Coulthard - £254.00 - July to September 2019 including £34 TAX refund

6.2 Recreation Area Account:

Cheques / Monies In

15.7.19	.21	Interest
15.8.19	.22	Interest
	.43	

Statement Balance at 15 August 2019 - £1305.77

7 Circulated Items that may be of interest to the Council:

7.1 Disciplinary and Grievance Arrangements: Councillors agreed that there was no requirement to adopt a disciplinary and grievance policy.

8 Reports from Council Representatives:

Easingwold & Villages Forum: PF attended the last meeting and reported that an 'Access to high speed broadband' database would be co-ordinated by the forum, a survey on parking in Easingwold will take place later this year and safer access to shops in the market place for people with disabilities is planned by mid-2020. The next meeting will be the AGM in the Galtres Centre on Thursday 19th September which will include a presentation by EDCCA.

HDC Parish Liaison Meeting: Councillors did not attend the last meeting.

Highways: According to NYCC Highways interactive map, the Amplecarr is undergoing carriageway maintenance works from 9th to 13th September and works to Gibbet Hill are also planned. As there has recently been a number of road closures with no prior notification, CF has signed up to receive alerts for roadworks within 5 miles of Husthwaite. CC reported that the drains on Kays Bank were blocked and these will be reported on the NYCC Parish Portal.

Neighbourhood Watch: There has been no meeting recently, but CF suggested putting details of the Herbert Protocol (a risk reduction tool to help police search for missing people with dementia) in the newsletter.

Public Footpaths: JL has strimmed the footpath from the MUGA to the Nookin and will put a notice in the newsletter asking for volunteers to help keep our footpaths clear. PF reported that the footpath on Beacon Banks was overgrown and CC offered to cut it. JL confirmed that Husthwaite's public footpaths were registered and the PC thought that a villager's suggestion to produce a public footpath booklet could be included in the 25-year environmental plan.

Recreation Area: Image Playgrounds have agreed to replace the timbers on the Monkey Bars and Rope Climb free of charge, but labour will be charged at current rates. CF reported that the MUGA court was in need of repainting and suggested that the PC ask for monies from the Community Infrastructure Levy to pay for this recreation area maintenance. CF will apply to HDC and get up-to-date quotes for the work. A working party to tidy the recreation area before winter will be organised in October / November. **Action: CF**

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Street Lighting: All street lights are working but the one adjacent to The Nook is on constantly.

Village Hall: Planned events include the Autumn Market on 15th September, Film Club on 27th September and Harvest Hoedown on 5th October.

YLCA: The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 16th October.

9 Reports from County & District Councillors:

Cllr Mortimer could not attend but reported that there will be a new crematorium in Hambleton (but no exact location as yet), the Lambert Memorial Hospital has been handed over to the Herriot Hospice (caveated to ensure it remains an end of life facility for local people) and objections to the planning application for land to the rear of Bank Cottage have been resolved with acceptable amendments between HDC planning and the applicant.

Cllr Patmore reported that NYCC are now meeting in the old Magistrates Court and NYCC Highways Road Services department will soon be back "in-house". NYCC finances are still struggling with a further £14million to save and this is creating problems with providing essential children's and adult social services. The Council Tax only provides £2.3million for these but school transport is expensive in this widely spread area. NYCC receive £40million in Government Grants for social care but 92% of the cost of adult care in Harrogate is more than that is currently provided by the council. In real terms, Rural councils have to charge more in Council Tax than Metropolitan areas to deliver the same services over a dispersed area and they are asking Government for fairer funding for rural areas.

10 Date & Time of next Meeting: The next meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Tuesday 12th November 2019 in Husthwaite Village Hall.

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