

ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
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Clerk to the Council: **David Headlam**
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 15th September 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

MINUTES

1. **Councillors Present.** Cllrs Bailey, Forster, Nicholson, Taylor, Webster.
2. **Apologies.** Cllrs Rees, Wilson.
3. **Declaration of Interests by Councillors of any items on this agenda.** The previously declared personal interest of Cllr Wilson in Item 12, Village Green was noted. Cllr Forster declared a personal interest in Item 9, 09/01565, Blacksmiths Cottage.
4. **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 18.8.2009 were approved as a true record.
5. **Matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda.** There were none.
6. **Police matters.** Laura Smith reported two crimes. Cllr Bailey reported on his correspondence with the police concerning individuals allegedly causing anti-social behaviour. Council agreed to support measures against individuals found to be guilty. **DH**
7. **Correspondence (out):**
 - i) Cheque letters
 - ii) VAT reclaim
 - iii) Reply to resident concerning tree on verge of Main Street
 - iv) Newsletter items
 - v) Request for quotation for extra grass cutting
 - vi) Notification to insurers of village green deed and new play area equipment
 - vii) Return of signed Service Level Agreement to CYC for new play area
 - viii) Request for clearing of gullies in Dauby Lane**Correspondence (in):**
 - (i) Periodicals: York Voluntary Voice; Clerks & Councils Direct; York Open Planning Forum Newsletter; York LINK Newsletter
 - (ii) Flyers: Streetscape; Hussan International; Glasdon; Timberline; Whitehill Shelters
 - (iii) Request for action on proposed amendment to Sustainable Communities Act.
Council decided against a response.
 - (iv) Exchange of emails with resident concerning aspects of play area
 - (v) Invitation to York & North Yorkshire Cultural Conference
 - (vi) Poster for Waste Strategy presence at York Festival of Food and Drink. *Sited.*
 - (vii) NYCC Guide to making a Parish Plan
 - (viii) Update on siting of turbines in River Derwent. *A further meeting is being sought by the developing company ahead of any planning application to CYC.*
 - (ix) Update from ERYC on closure of Derwent Bridge
 - (x) YLCA York Branch Meeting Agenda. *Cllrs Bailey and Forster will attend.* **IB/DF**
 - (xi) YLCA Employment Issues for Smaller Councils

8. Financial.

The following Receipt was noted:

HMRC – VAT refund - £6,210.66

Minute 09030. The following Payments were approved:

Playscheme – final invoice for playground equipment - £8,750.00

Mazars – audit fee - £155.25

S & S Services – August grass cuts - £200.00

Elvington Village Hall – August meeting - £13.00

Other financial items: (a) The operating statement was presented; (b) The Certified Annual Audit has been received – and a copy sited on the main Noticeboard;

(c) **Minute 09031.** It was agreed to pay the additional insurance premium to cover damage to play equipment, surfaces and fencing - £207.81; (d) **Minute 09032.** The quotation from S & S Services of £25.00 for additional grass cutting and strimming at the

play area was accepted – with the request that it include a single width cut around the outside of the play area. DH

9. Planning Matters.

New Application:

09/01565 – 2 Blacksmiths Cottages, Main Street – erection of bungalow

Minute 09033. Council did not object but wished to comment that off street parking did not appear to have been provided for the original house, and a Section 106 clause should be included.

09/01578 – Rainheath, Elvington Lane – tree work

Minute 09034. Council objected as a visual examination appeared to show the trees in good condition. CYC should be urged to obtain an independent report on their condition.

09/01600 – 56 Elvington Park – extension and conservatory

Minute 09035. Council did not object but wished to comment that the application should not be progressed until the status of the grass paddock area at the rear of the property has been established.

Other matter:

08/00770 – Old Gatehouse, Wheldrake Lane – copy of appeal dismissal was noted.

Airfield – Notices for the Public Inquiry into the appeal of an Enforcement Notice served by CYC have been received and will be (or have been) posted on website, noticeboard and newsletter. The Inquiry commences on Tuesday 6 October in the Village Hall at 10.0am and is scheduled to last six days. Members of the public are encouraged to attend and may, at the discretion of the Inspector, express their views.

10. Reports from recent meetings. The Clerk reported on a meeting with the manager of the Water Treatment Works. Various works will be undertaken by Yorkshire Water to clean up the entrance gates and buildings. A visit by the Parish Council to the works will be arranged for October. Cllr Bailey reported on the Village Hall and the progress in replacing the boiler. Cllr Webster reported on the Scouts. DH

11. Play Area. Various outstanding items, such as cycle racks, bins and RoSPA Certificate are being progressed. Cllr Bailey reported on the various options being discussed for improved access from the School. Path improvements are being considered by CYC. Cllr Bailey continues to liaise with LDSSC. IB/DH/MG

12. Village Green. Minute 09036. Objectors to the Council's registration of the village green have insisted that a deed be entered conferring on them certain rights. In order to reach a settlement, and having consulted absent Councillors, Council unanimously confirmed the deed. It was agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk sign the deed on behalf of the Council. The Council's solicitor will now be asked to proceed with registration. Further expenditure of £1,500.00 was authorised.

13. Bus Services. Cllr Webster reported on the fares being charged on the new bus service – and how they compared unfavourably with services from Dunnington. The Clerk will write to CYC to highlight the discrepancy. Cllr Webster also reported a new service going direct from the school to York College and back again each day. This will be publicised when the Clerk has confirmed the details. DH

14. Remembrance Day. This year's parade and services will take place on Sunday 8th November. Further details will be confirmed next month.

15. Highways, paths and verges. It is very likely that this year's underspent ward money will contribute to the resurfacing of the pavement along Main Street, between the shop and the school, as part of an 'improved access to school' project. A ward grant has been requested to complete the project next year between Riverside and the shop.

16. Risk Assessment. Cllr Webster presented an updated Assessment which was approved by Council.

17. Items for Newsletter. Remembrance Day; new bus service

18. Items to be placed on next Agenda. Review of Emergency Plan; DF

The meeting ended at 9.15pm.

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