

ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 19th January 2010 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

MINUTES

1. **Councillors Present.** Cllrs Bailey, Rees, Forster, Nicholson, Taylor, Webster.
2. **Apologies.** Cllr Wilson.
3. **Declaration of Interests** by Councillors of any items on this agenda. There were none.
4. **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 15.12.2009 were approved as a true record.
5. **Matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda.** Cllr Bailey reported that the Pumping Station had been handed over to the Ouse & Derwent Drainage Board and a meeting has been arranged to confirm operating arrangements. Cllrs Bailey, Rees and the Clerk will attend. The new guage on the village green should be sited shortly but the new grille will have to wait until the Spring. **IB/PR/DH**
6. **Police matters.** Laura Smith reported no crimes in December.

7. **Correspondence (out):**
 - i) Cheque letters
 - ii) Request to CYC for meeting on bus services**Correspondence (in):**
 - (i) Periodicals: Clerks & Councils Direct; White Rose Update; Streets Ahead; York Open Planning Forum Newsletter; York Voluntary Voice; Rural Matters [*available from Clerk*]
 - (ii) Flyers: Notts Sports UK; Jason Kay; Arien Signs
 - (iii) Public Rights of Way – Request for help with land ownership details. Cllr Nicholson and the Clerk will formulate a reply. **JN/DH**
 - (iv) 2009 Complete Register of Electors [*circulated*]
 - (v) Exchange of correspondence concerning gritting of Beckside
 - (vi) YLCA – advance notice of increase in subscription
 - (vii) Elvington Airfield 2010 Calendar [*circulated*]
 - (viii) Council Tax base 2010/2011
 - (ix) Double Taxation – views sought on maintenance of playgrounds. *Council decided to continue to be responsible for maintenance and therefore claim double taxation.* **DH**
 - (x) Consultation on speed limits on rural single carriageway roads
 - (xi) Information on Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. *Cllrs to consider.* **ALL**
 - (xii) Beebase Database – encouragement to use. *Will be forwarded to a resident.* **DH**
 - (xiii) YLCA – E-bulletin
 - (xiv) NALC Local Council Awards 2010
 - (xv) Sustainable Communities Act Amendment. *Council decided not to respond.*
 - (xvi) Register of Electors – January update [*circulated*]
 - (xvii) NYCC update on severe weather
 - (xviii) York CVS Training Course
 - (xix) Vacancy – Deputy Town Clerk – Normanton
 - (xx) Notification of Neighbourhood Profiles meeting. *Clerk to attend.* **DH**
 - (xxi) Community Foundation Publicity
8. **Financial.**

The following Receipt was noted:
HMRC – VAT refund - £249.50

Minute 10001. The following Payments were approved:
Elvington Village Hall – December meeting - £13.00
H Beavers – Christmas tree - £176.25

Other financial items: (a) The operating statement was presented; (b) Grass Cutting.
Minute 10002. Council agreed to continue using S & S Services, subject to a satisfactory quotation being received.

9. Planning Matters.

New Applications: Minute 10003. Council had no objections to:

09/02326 – 12 The Conifers – Tree work

09/02331 – 6 Church Green - Extension

The following **Approvals** were noted:

09/01820 – Annandale, Main Street – Extension

09/01853 – Home Lea, Elvington Lane – Certificate of Lawfulness of use of land

Other Matters:

Airfield. Elvington Park has appealed the Noise Abatement Notices served by CYC.

The preliminary hearing will be at York Magistrates Court on 28 January.

10. Reports from recent meetings. Cllrs Bailey and Forster had attended the session run by CYC on Code of Conduct training. In addition to differentiating between personal and prejudicial interests, Cllrs were made aware of the dangers of pre-determining issues. Documents from the session will be circulated. **ALL**

Cllr Bailey and the Clerk had attended a meeting on bridge improvements (arranged prior to the closure) and learnt of the proposed changes to lighting, layout, barriers and signage. ERYC Councillors have been consulting on a weight limit being imposed, contrary to the wishes of the ERYC Officers.

11. First Response Team. To progress the creation of a team for the village, a meeting will be held in Elvington Village Hall on **Tuesday 9 February at 7.30pm**. Notices will be in Newsletter, website, notice boards, School and Surgery. **AT/DH**

12. Bridge. No timescale has yet been announced by ERYC for repair work and reopening, although reported not to be until at least Easter. The feature on Radio York was discussed and it was decided to write to Chief Executives of EYRC and CYC urgently requesting reopening of the bridge to at least light vehicles, in order to help threatened businesses. A copy of the letter will be posted on website and notice boards, as well as being copied to The Press and BBC News. Cllr Bailey reported on his contact with John Grogan, MP. A response from him is awaited. **IB/DH**

13. Village Green. There is nothing further to report on the registration process.

14. Quality Council and Village Design Statement. Although no imminent change is anticipated, Cllrs will read documentation on Evidence for Quality Councils. **ALL**

15. Bus Services. Yorkshire Forward are financing a new vehicle which could be used to enhance the 36 service direct to and from York at the beginning and end of the day. Council was supportive of this. Further simplification of the timetable has been sought and a solution to the lack of inter-changeability of fares may be trialled. Any changes would not take effect until the Summer at earliest.

16. Highways, paths and verges. The changes at Sutton Wood were discussed and Sutton PC will be asked what can be done to reinstate walking access. CYC has been asked to repair/replace the bus stop outside the School. Some patching of the road surface has been done – much more needs to be done! **DH**

17. Items for Newsletter. There were none.

18. Meeting Dates. It was agreed that meetings will continue on the third Tuesday of each month.

19. Items to be placed on next Agenda. There were none.

The meeting ended at 9.20pm

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