ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Clerk to the Council: David Headlam Bramland House, Dovecote Garth, Elvington, York YO41 4BH

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 15th February 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

MINUTES

1. Councillors Present. Cllrs Bailey; Rees; Nicholson; Webster; Wilson + John Goodyear, City of York Council

2. Apologies. Cllrs Forster; Taylor.

3. Declaration of Interests by Councillors of any items on this agenda. There were none.

4. Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 18.1.2011 were approved as a true record.

5. Matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda. Positive comments have been received about the reduction of the precept for 2011/2012.

6. Wintry conditions. (a) John Goodyear, CYC – There was a discussion on possible actions that both the Parish Council and CYC could take to mitigate the effects of future heavy snowfall and icy conditions. Cllr Bailey outlined the principle of 'self help' that was being pursued. Issues of insurance and budgets still need to be resolved. JG agreed to check. CYC are proposing the appointment and training of volunteer Snow Wardens across York. JG agreed to keep the Parish Council informed as resources are finalised for next winter. JG

(b) To consider proposal from The Lawn Man for clearance of pavements. The Clerk will reply that we are still in discussions with CYC. **DH**

(c) To hear update on provision of self-help salt bags/bins. Various junctions in Elvington have been nominated to receive salt bags if the weather is extremely bad (although they are not considered a long term solution due to various issues). More salt bins have been proposed across York – and Beckside has again been nominated. A saving would be made if bins were kept on site throughout the year.

7. Play Area. Mark Gillett - To progress improvements for this year. This item was deferred to next month. MG

8. Police matters. Matt Cockerill reported three incidents last month.

9. Correspondence (out):

- i) Newsletter and website items
- ii) Approach to CYC about dialogue concerning future wintry conditions
- iii) Offer to extend grass cutting contract
- iv) Thanks to resident for working on verge at Riverside Gardens
- v) Response to proposal for Speed Management work
- vi) Reply declining invitation to Broadband North Yorkshire Conference **Correspondence (in):**

For information:

- (i) Periodicals: Country Air; York Voluntary Voice; White Rose Update
- (ii) Flyer: Streetscape Products
- (iii) World Heritage Site bid invitation to presentation
- (iv) Free compost giveaway dates [poster sited]
- (v) Copies of correspondence with North Selby Mine Action Group Available from the Clerk:
- (vi) Periodicals : Rural Matters; Northern Voice
- (vii) Clerk vacancies: Newby & Scalby; Grassington; Holme Valley; Ampleforth
- (viii) Flyers: Wild Wood Landscapes; Navigus Planning; Komplan; Queensbury Shelters:

Zurich Town & Parish Council Insurance; Whitehill Direct

- (ix) Yorkshire & Humberside Housing Leadership Conference
- (x) Notification that 'Hope & Glory' event will not now be at Elvington Airfield
- (xi) Details of North Yorkshire Strategic Housing Market Assessment survey
- (xii) Sustainable Communities Act update
- (xiii) YLCA Training Programme 2011

For consideration:

(xiv) York 'New City Beautiful' – document and meeting invitation

(xv) CYC Development Control Seminar dates

(xvi) Airfield – updated Noise Management Plan. Council will review the operation of the plan as the year's programme is operating. **DH**

(xvii) Alternative proposal from CYC for speed management works on B1228. Only painting and renewal will now take place. The Clerk will establish where the VAS sign is to be relocated exactly. **DH**

(xviii) Exchange of correspondence concerning allotments

(xix) Request for landownership details re cycle path. Cllrs Nicholson and Wilson will review and pass to the Clerk. JN/TW

(xx) Journey to York Mystery Plays. To be passed to the Village Hall. **DH**

10. Financial.

Minute 11003. The following Payments were agreed:

Village Hall – Remembrance Day + November, December & January meetings - £55.00 H Beevers – Christmas tree - £199.75

<u>Other financial items</u>: (a) The Operating Statement was approved; (b) **Minute 11004.** The grass cutting contract for 2011 was discussed. As the current contractor is unable to continue, quotations had been obtained from three other firms. It was decided to offer the contract to The Lawn Man, if he was willing to hold his price at the current level of £125 for three years. A letter of thanks has been sent to S & S Services; (c) The agreement to pay for Hall use by the First Response Team for January to June was confirmed. **DH**

11. Planning Matters.

New Applications:

Minute 11005. Council had no objection to: 10/02859 – 7 Lorraine Avenue - extension Minute 11006. Council supported: 11/00103 – York Mailing, Brinkworth Rush – extension of permission for new building

The following Approval was noted:

10/02679 - 3 Alvin Walk - tree work

To consider any applications received after publication of this Agenda. None. Other Matter: E Planning will be introduced by CYC in 2012. Decisions will have to be made on how to consider such applications.

12. Reports from recent meetings. Cllr Rees reported on the Ward Committee Meeting. There were presentations on the Localism Bill and digital switchover. No comments were made on local funding projects. Cllr Rees will pass on the digital switchover contact details to the Senior Citizens; Cllr Bailey reported on the YLCA York Branch Meeting. Council agreed not to comment on the draft Parish Charter that had been circulated. **PR/DH**

13. Church Green. Possible changes to car parking are being discussed by CYC. Residents will be consulted if any changes are proposed.

14. Highways, paths and verges. The suggestion for a boundary stone at Riverside Gardens junction with Main Street cannot be implemented due to objections by CYC; a quotation for the planting at Elvington Park and Village Green was agreed – a decision from York Pride grant is awaited; the culvert under Dauby Lane is to have a CCTV survey and may be lined after clearance; grilles should be fitted where the beck disappears on the Green and near White House Grove; the Church Green name sign has disappeared; CYC will be asked to check the hedge on Church Lane; a request will be made for general pothole work; the VAS sign near Bridge House is to be cleaned and checked. DH

15. Annual Parish Meeting. The date was agreed as Tuesday 24 May and various potential speakers were discussed.

16. Parish Council Elections. The elections are on 5th May and will be publicised on noticeboards, website and Newsletter.

17. Items for Newsletter and Website. Election; Annual Parish Meeting.

18. Items to be placed on next Agenda. Play Area

The meeting ended at 10.0pm.