ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 20th June 2017 at 7.30pm in the Atkin Room, Village Hall

MINUTES

- **1. Councillors Present.** Cllrs Bailey; Laverack; Marsh; Moorhouse; Rees; Taylor; Wilson; Ward Cllr Mercer + 2 visitors
- **2. Apologies.** There were none.
- 3. Declaration of Interests by Councillors of any items on this agenda. There were none.
- **4. Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 16.05.2017 were approved.
- 5. Matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda. Ward Cllr Mercer will chase CYC to see if a dog bin can be sited in the Elvington Park area. Cllr Moorhouse requested a copy of the Good Councillors Guide to Neighbourhood Planning. SM/DH 5A. Village Green. A community group led by the Grey Horse presented two proposals for activities on the Village Green Farmers Markets and a Beer/Music Festival. Assurances were sought concerning public liability insurance, risk assessment, the banning of glasses on the Green and the maintenance of access for residents at the top of the Green. Council also agreed that in case of wet conditions, it may decide that the Green cannot be used.

Minute 17024. On that basis Council supported one of each event, with the Parish Council undertaking a review after each.

At the same time, Council expressed concerns at the noise level of the impromptu outdoor music session that had taken place at the Grey Horse on the previous Sunday.

The group also enquired about the maintenance of public footpaths. The Clerk will forward details of CYC's Public Rights of Way Officer.

- **6. Police Matters.** The crime report had been circulated to Cllrs. The sole item was the misuse of the bus shelter.
- **7. Bus Shelter.** Council agreed to reinstate the security gates, at least in the short term. Cllr Wilson is progressing their repair and installation. A resident living nearby will be the key-holder. An item will appear in the next Newsletter. **TW**
- 8. Correspondence (out):
- i) Objection to CYC on request for additional visit of fish and chip van. *Notified of decision to continue with Wednesdays only.*
- ii) Playscheme informed that surfacing of exercise/bike area will not to be progressed.

Correspondence (in):

Available from the Clerk:

- (i) Newsletters: School; White Rose Update; Northern Powergrid; Voluntary Voice; Environment Agency York Flood Plan. *Details of Sport England's Community Assets Fund will be forwarded to the Sports Club.*DH
- (ii) Rural Services Network: News digests; Rural Vulnerability Service & Spotlights; Rural Conference 2017
- (iii) YLCA: NALC Chief Executive weekly bulletins; Fields in Trust; Training Programme including proposed one day seminar on successful event planning
- (iv) Superfast West Yorkshire & York update

For consideration:

- (v) Fly the Red Ensign for Merchant Navy Day -3 September. No action.
- (vi) Notification of unsuccessful nomination for a QAVS. Noted
- (vii) ERYC Draft Lower Derwent Valley Supplementary Planning Document consultation.
- (viii) CYC Standards Committee meeting 22 June. No action.

9. Financial.

Payments. Minute 17025. The following were agreed:

The Lawn Man - £340.00 – grass cuts + strim to triangle near Church

David Smith Garden Centre - £54.40 - plants + feed

Elvington Village Hall - £50.00 – May meeting; First Responder use; Annual Village Meeting Sandalwood Gates - £100.00 – deposit on fencing repairs

Other financial items:

The Operating Statement was approved.

The Clerk informed Council that an application for a Transparency Fund grant had been submitted.

10. Planning Matters.

Applications received after publication of this Agenda. There were none.

Approval. The following was noted:

17/00833 – 18 Belvoir Avenue – extension

Other Matter.

Land near lock gates. CYC have been asked for an update on the earthworks taking place.

The Clerk will chase.

DH

- **11. Neighbourhood Plan.** Cllrs Laverack and Moorhouse continue to progress the application to the next stage and will report next month.

 JL/MM
- **12. Village Green.** The horse chestnut trees have been surveyed and are in good condition. A cavity in one tree is being monitored.
- **13. Play Area.** The Play Area continues to be well used and is in generally good condition. Some work on the boundary shrubs is required. Handles are missing from one piece of equipment. The Clerk will progress both with Mark Gillett and/or Playscheme. **DH**
- **14. HGVs.** (Taken after Item 5A). The recent increase in HGV traffic along Main Street has prompted many concerns about pedestrian safety as there have been numerous incidents of vehicles being forced to mount verges or pavements in order to avoid collisions. There is now a significant safety risk for those attending school when they walk or cycle along the pavements. Ward Cllr Mercer agreed to raise these issues with CYC with a view to having a 7.5 tonne weight limit imposed from the Wheldrake Lane junction through to the Bridge (except for access). Cllr Rees also suggested that a new traffic survey should be made, along with site visits by CYC Cllrs.
- **15. Recent and forthcoming meetings**. There were no reports.
- **16. Highways, paths and verges.** (i) Council agreed to progress repairs to fencing at Main Street/White House Grove at a cost of £472.00 + VAT. The quotation from Sandalwood was accepted. An application for a Ward Grant of £472.00 has been made to cover the cost. Council emphasised it was not responsible for the fencing and was doing the work on behalf of CYC; (ii) the public footpath between Main Street and the church has now been partially cleared; (iii) the Clerk reported that cats eyes will be retrospectively fitted to the straight stretch of the B1228 in July, during a scheduled road closure; (iv) a gully outside Glen House is damaged.
- 17. Village Assets. All assets are in good condition.
- 18. Items for Newsletter, Website and Facebook. Bus shelter; road closure
- 19. Items to be placed on next Agenda.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm

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