

ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Clerk to the Council: *David Headlam*

Bramland House, Dovecote Garth, Elvington, York YO41 4BH

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 16th May 2017 at 7.30pm in the Atkin Room, Village Hall

MINUTES

1. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman. Ian Bailey was proposed as Chairman by Cllr Rees, seconded by Cllr Wilson, and elected unanimously. Jonathan Laverack was proposed as Vice Chairman by Cllr Bailey, seconded by Cllr Wilson, and elected unanimously. Cllr Bailey signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office Form.

2. Councillors Present. Cllrs Bailey; Laverack; Marsh; Moorhouse; Rees; Taylor; Wilson; Ward Cllr Mercer and 1 visitor.

3. Apologies. There were none.

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

5. Minutes. The minutes of the meeting held on 18.04.2017 were agreed.

6. Matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda. Cllr Bailey thanked Cllrs, and their partners, for support at the recent Annual Village Meeting.

7. Resident's Concerns. A resident raised a number of issues and ideas. More use of the village green, and maypole, was being proposed by a small group at the Grey Horse. Cllr Bailey reiterated that the Parish Council was always supportive of such efforts, but would not organise them. The Parish Council had to be notified of events as it was the legal owner of the green and there could be insurance issues. It was also pointed out that the Village Hall has an approachable committee which could assist.

The fate of the BT Kiosk was then discussed. It is currently a listed structure within a Conservation Area. If BT applied to remove that listing status, then the Parish Council would again consider ownership and alternative uses.

The issue of speeding and traffic calming was raised. Cllr Bailey said that the current priority was to get a ban on HGVs using Main Street, for which the Council continues to look to CYC to take a lead. The police, including the Police and Crime Commissioner, have been notified about speeding on numerous occasions.

8. Police Matters. The crime report had been circulated to Cllrs. The new PCSOs are Laura Nunnan and Chris Simpson. It was agreed to invite Sgt Hitchcock to a future meeting.

9. Correspondence (out):

i) Request for a sign to the church on Main Street's junction with Church Lane. *CYC has agreed to site a pedestrian sign.*

ii) Request for dog bin in vicinity of Elvington Park. *CYC will not increase the total number of dog bins, but will relocate them if requested. Ward Cllr Mercer agreed to look again at her ward resources.*

SM

Correspondence (in):

Available from the Clerk:

(i) Clerks & Councils Direct

(ii) Newsletters: School; N Yorks Police; Rural Housing Spotlight; Police & Crime Commissioner Update

(iii) Rural Services Network: News digests

(iv) Workshops for parents of teenagers with mental health issues - 24/31 May

For consideration:

(v) Good Councillors Guide (2017 edition) now available. *The Clerk will check if an electronic version is available.*

DH

(vi) Community First/NYCC Emergency Plan event – Malton – 30 May. *Noted.*

(vii) YLCA – Transparency Code event – Selby – 21 June. *Noted.*

10. Financial.

Receipt. The following was noted:

CYC - £6,175.00 – precept - for first half year

Payments. **Minute 17020.** The following were agreed:

The Lawn Man - £320.00 – grass cuts

Came & Company - £706.31 - insurance

Elvington Village Hall - £30.00 – April meeting + First Responder use

I Bailey - £10.65 – Annual Parish Meeting refreshments

D J Headlam - £27.48 – stationery

Other financial items:

The Operating Statement was approved.

The PWLB loan repayment - £1,892.04 (half year) – was noted.

Pensions Regulator. The Declaration of Compliance has been acknowledged.

Internal Audit. The auditor’s report was presented and approved.

Accounting Statements. **Minute 17021.** The Accounting Statements for the external auditor for 2016/2017 were presented and approved. The Chairman and the Clerk signed off the document.

11. Planning Matters.

New Application. **Minute 17022.** Council had no objection to:

17/00833 – 18 Belvoir Avenue - extension

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

Approvals. The following were noted:

16/01443 – The Stables, Elvington Lane – continued use as Travelling Showperson’s site

17/00591 – Derwent House, Main Street – tree work

12. Licensing Application. (Taken after Item 7.) A request had been received for a second day’s attendance by the owner of the fish and chip van. CYC had asked the Parish Council to comment. Council agreed that due to reasons of inconvenience and smells, and the effect of the competition on other local businesses, it would ask for retention of the Wednesday afternoon/evening visit only.

DH

13. Neighbourhood Plan. Cllrs Laverack & Moorhouse reported that a questionnaire to residents is being prepared. They are to follow up the appointment of a CYC contact and the timescale of the grant application.

JL/MM

14. Play Area. It was agreed not to proceed with any surfacing to the bike rack and exercisers area for the present. The Clerk will inform Playscheme.

DH

15. Village Green. Council agreed the use of the Green for the Village Fete – Sunday 25 June.

DH

16. YLCA. **Minute 17023.** It was agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk will formally represent the Council as the two voting members.

DH

17. Recent and forthcoming meetings including YLCA York Branch – 1 June. Cllrs Bailey and Moorhouse are proposing to attend.

IB/MM

18. Highways, paths and verges. (i) fencing at Main Street/White House Grove. Cllr Wilson will chase the obtaining of a quotation, and Ward Cllr Mercer will then confirm reimbursing the Council from her ward budget; (ii) cutting of triangle area near Church. The Clerk will ask the grass cutter to strim the area as a one-off; (iii) surface of B1228 in vicinity of Sutton Bridge. Reported and reply awaited; (iv) resident’s complaint about earthworks near the lock gate. Reported to CYC.

TW/SM/DH

19. Village Assets. All were confirmed as in good condition.

20. Items for Newsletter, Website and Facebook. There were none.

21. Items to be placed on next Agenda. Review of Play Area.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm.