

ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 18th June 2019 at 7.30pm in the Atkin Room, Village Hall

MINUTES

1. **Councillors Present.** Cllrs Laverack; Bailey; Moorhouse; Rickard.
2. **Apologies.** Cllrs Gallery; Lloyd; Taylor.
3. **Declaration of Interests** by Councillors of any items on this agenda. There were none. Three Cllrs have yet to complete Register of Interests forms and will be reminded. **DH**
4. **Minutes.** The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 21.05.2019 were approved.
5. **Matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda.** Cllr Rickard and her 'team' were thanked for the planting of the tubs on the Village Green.
6. **Ward Cllr.** Ward Cllr Vassie was not in attendance and Cllr Laverack will attempt to contact him to progress a number of current issues. **JL**
7. **Police Matters.** One incidence of anti-social behaviour had been reported in May.
8. **Correspondence (out):**
 - i) Messages of thanks to previous Cllrs; BT kiosk glazier; TdeY helpers and Air Museum
 - ii) Request to TdeY organisers for revisit in near future. *The Clerk will check that the message was received as no acknowledgement has been made.* **DH**
 - iii) Permissions to Church and Under 5s for use of Green.
 - iv) Request for trimming of hedge at The Roosters. *Actioned.*
 - v) Submission of form for change of signatories to Santander bank account. *Actioned.*

Correspondence (in):

Available from the Clerk:

- (i) Newsletters: White Rose Update; York CVS; Northern Gas Networks; York Flood Alleviation Scheme
- (ii) Rural Services Network: Rural Funding Digests; Rural Bulletins
- (iii) NALC – Newsletters; Chief Executive's Bulletins; Annual Conference
- (iv) Yorkshire Day – 1 August, Whitby
- (v) X2 Connect – telephone kiosk spares
- (vi) CYC – 50+ EngAGE event – 24 June, New Earswick
- (vii) YLCA – Training programme; Cllrs Right to Time Off Work. *Training programme will be circulated to all Cllrs.* **DH/ALL**

For consideration:

- (viii) Message from Yorkshire Air Museum Director. *Ian Reed is stepping down from his full-time role. The Clerk will write to express the thanks of the Council for his work.* **DH**
- (ix) Message from resident about introduction of 5G. *Cllr Laverack has responded.*
- (x) Message from resident about use of Green on Armed Forces Day. *A check will be made to ensure the music element does not adversely affect local residents.* **JL**

9. Financial.

Receipt. The following was noted:

Donation for TdeY screen - £100.00

Payments. **Minute 19036.** The following were agreed:

A Taylor (at various) - £472.15 – TdeY items

Toby H Johnson Ltd - £660.00 – April + May grass cutting

Elvington Village Hall - £34.00 – May meetings

J Laverack (at Vertigrow) - £255.00 – Plant tubs and compost. It was agreed to ask CYC for a Ward Grant for this expenditure. **DH**

Other financial items:

The Operating Statement was approved.

Minute 19037. Council agreed to move to electronic banking. The Santander system will allow the Clerk to make payments and then nominated Cllrs will have access to the account

to check the payments have been made. It should enhance security as the bank statement will be available for checking at any time. Cllr Bailey suggested all Cllrs should have that access and that will be checked.

DH

Minute 19038. Council agreed to submit an unchanged claim for Double Taxation for 2019/2020.

DH

10. Tour de Yorkshire. The summary of income/expenditure disclosed a small surplus. A decision on the use of the funds was delayed until next month. **Minute 19039.** Use of the big screen for one day has been offered free of charge. After reviewing several options, Council proposed to site it on the Green for the Last Night of the Proms on Saturday 14 September. Various details need to be confirmed and the decision will be confirmed next month.

JL

11. VE Day 75. The day of celebration is on Friday 8 May 2020. The early-May Bank Holiday has been moved from Monday 4 May to that Friday. The Clerk will check if the Air Museum have any event/s planned.

DH

12. Planning Matters.

New Application. **Minute 19040.** Council had no objection to:
19/00746 – Broxholme, York Road - extension

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

Approval. The following was noted:

19/00815 – Lund House, Main Street – tree work

Notice of Appeal. The following was noted:

18/02877 – Disused MOD camp site, Wheldrake Lane

Other Matter.

Local Plan. Any further response to the latest consultation by CYC will be decided at the next meeting. The Clerk will circulate the relevant CYC letter giving the links and a copy of the Parish Council's response to the last consultation.

DH/ALL

13. Play Area. Minute 19041. Council discussed whether to fit padding to the crane swing legs. On balance, and in view of a previous incident, it was decided to order the padding. The cost is expected to be about £180. The Clerk will progress with Playscheme.

DH

Cllr Rickard will check whether the unfixed slide at the Play Area is being used.

JR

The subject of funding for replacement Play Area equipment was discussed. No funding can be expected from CYC so it has been suggested the Parish Council needs to start a designated fund to provide funding at some future stage, even if replacement is phased. The PWLB loan for the Pumping Station is fully repaid in 2022. A further discussion will take place when the Budget for next year is decided.

DH

14. Village Green. Cllr Laverack reported he had received several comments on the quality of the grass cutting of the Green and French War Memorial. The Clerk will write to the contractor asking for an improved service and, if necessary, a more frequent cut.

DH

15. Website. Council noted its need to comply with Compliance with Accessibility Regulations. The issue of email addresses will be raised with Cllr Taylor.

JL/AT

16. Recent and forthcoming meetings. Council noted the Scouts AGM on 28 June. Cllr Laverack reported on the YLCA York Branch meeting on 6 June. Cllr Moorhouse reported on a Patients Participation Group which he now attends.

17. Highways, paths and verges. The Clerk reported on a meeting with Dave Meigh of CYC. He has committed to pavement widening along Main Street next winter.

The trees overhanging seats either side of the School will be pruned by a Parish Council working party.

ALL

The new CYC boundary sign near Elvington Hall is considered to be overlarge, unnecessary, in a Conservation Area and a waste of money. The Clerk will ask for its removal.

DH

Cllr Bailey suggested the boundary stones on the Green and at the French War Memorial need to be painted again and that Community Payback should be asked to do the work. The Clerk will progress.

DH

CLlr Rickard highlighted the 'bush' growing in the beck where it emerges from a culvert. The Clerk will ask the Drainage Board to remove it. **DH**

18. Village Assets. All assets were confirmed as in good condition.

19. Items for Newsletter, Website and Facebook. Last Night of the Proms big screen.

20. Items to be placed on next Agenda. TdeY funds; VE Day 75; Local Plan; Email addresses.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm.

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