

ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on

Tuesday 19th July 2005 at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall

MINUTES

1. **Councillors present.** Cllrs. P.Rees, T. Wilson, J. Webster, N. Grimes. J.Nicholson and D. Forster. Present as observers were J. Parker and S. Roebuck.

2. **Apologies** were received from Cllr. I. Bailey.

3. **Minutes** Minutes of 21. 6. 05. were approved as a true record.

4. **Matters arising** from the minutes. a) Although there has been no formal notification it was reported that Elvington had been placed second in the recent Yorkshire Village of the Year competition.

5. **Buses in the Riverside area.** From recent correspondence (xxv and xxvi) it was clear that there are still concerns about the reversing of buses in the Riverside region. For the convenience of observers, the chairman agreed to bring the discussion forward. It was confirmed that there had been earlier discussions as a result of which it was agreed that buses should no longer park in Riverside Gardens. The main recent complaint has been about buses reversing into Riverside Close, which is not seen as a safe practice. It was said that buses had caused damage to property in the past. One answer could be to extend the bus route to take in Sutton and Newton, removing the need to turn round in Elvington.

Minute 05035 The clerk will invite Terry Walker and a representative of First York to review the situation in general and instruct drivers to reverse from Main Street into Riverside Gardens rather than drive into the estate and also attend the next full council meeting. **D. R.**

6. **Police matters** There has been no report of any incidents this month.

7. **Correspondence (out)**

- i) Letter of support for Village Hall's Australian Christmas.
- ii) Letters to firms bidding for work on bus shelter.

- iii) Letter to Alliance & Leicester requesting salary/PAYE adjustments
- iv) Reply to R. Starks.
- (in) ** = Items read out.
- i) Notification of licence alteration for Air Museum.
- ii) 'Record Revolution' publicity.
- iii) Planning Forum newsletter.
- iv) CPRE handbills. Campus 3.**.
- v) YCLA amendments to AGM.
- vi) Advice on Ward Committee grants.** The clerk will copy this to the Sports & Social Club secretary. **D. R.**
- vii) Notice about YLCA meeting with Cllr. Galloway.**
- viii) Fire Service performance plan.
- ix) Notification of C YC cutting grant.**
- x) Flood defence committee report.
- xi) CYC Local Plan documents. [In circulation].
- xii) E-mail from Dick Ayre about flooding.
- xiii) Letter from D. Holdsworth about footpaths.
- xiv) Police letter about special constable recruitment. [Notice board]
- xv) Letter from T. Nundy about dog refuse bins.** [Item 12].
- xvi) E-mail about damage to play area. **
- xvii) Ward Committee newsletter.
- xviii) BT reply: refusing help for Flood defence appeal.
- xix) NRCC minerals and waste statement.
- xx) Further Yorks. Water denial of responsibility for dyke. The clerk will pursue this and ask for site meeting. **D. R.**
- xxi) Licence variation notice re Sports Club.
- xxii) Acknowledgement of our report on planting grant.

- xxiii) E-mail from D. Holdsworth on hedges and kissing-gates.
- xxiv) E-mail from Sheena Spence giving details about obtaining loans.
- xxv) E-mails about buses in Riverside Gardens area.

7. Financial

Money Received: None.

Payments due :

Elvington Village Hall Hiring May-June.	£25.50
S. & S. Services Cutting 17/6, 1/7.	£181.86

Other financial items: a) The monthly operating statement was noted.. b) **Minute 05036** In line with agreed policy, the council voted to transfer £7000.00 from the Reserve A/C to be then transferred to the Youth Forum account. c) The clerk referred to the ongoing difficulties in authorising business with the bank. **Minute 05037** The council agreed that action be taken to add the clerk to the list of signatories to the current account. **D. R.**

8. Planning matters.

New applications

05/01399 The Coachhouse, Elvington Lane Side/rear extension. **Minute 05038** Members, after a vote, agreed to register an objection to this application, which is deemed to be inappropriate for the Green Belt.

05/01461 Lake Cottage, Wheldrake Lane. Conversion of storage building to holiday cottage. **Minute 05039** Though not raising an objection, the council will raise the question of whether such a proposal is appropriate in the Green Belt.

Refusal to note. **05/00938 The Coachhouse, Elvington Lane** Tree house.

9. Flooding matters. a) There will be a meeting with J. Grogan MP 11-30 am July 25th, Glen House. b) Yorkshire Water has refused a financial contribution to the Flood defence Scheme fund. c) There had been a suggestion of using a funding agent. Cllr. Rees will investigate further. **P. R.**

10. Reports from other recent meetings. Sports & Social Club Despite the malicious fire damage, leaders at the club remained positive about continuing to assist local youngsters, most of whom are felt to be supportive.

11. Highways, paths and verges. a) The clerk will again write to CYC asking for action on the overgrown vegetation on Wheldrake Lane near the Scout H.Q. **D. R.** b) The clerk is asked to notify York Council of the part obliteration of the footpath between the airfield and Wheldrake Lane. **D. R.** c) The clerk promised to find out why the vehicle-activated signs have not been set up. **D. R.**

12 Litter & Dog refuse bins. Members discussed in detail the viability of setting up more litter bins and, possibly, dog refuse bins. No further action will be taken until the emptying costs are looked in to. Cllr. Rees will contact Karen Baddeley. **P. R.**

13. Office of Assistant Curate The clerk had written a letter to the church authorities, asking for the retention, after this year, of the office of Assistant Curate, currently held by Chris Parkin. The draft letter will be circulated for comments. **D. R.**

14. French War memorial. A contractor will be contacted to provide an initial appraisal of the work needed on the memorial. **T.W./J.W.**

15. Matters arising from circulated documents. There were none.

16. Items for the newsletter. a) Notification of the 'Village of the Year' result.

17. Items to be placed on the next agenda. None at this point.

The meeting ended at 9-22 pm

The next full meeting of Elvington Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 16th August 2005 at 7.30 p.m. at Elvington Village Hall.