

Minutes of the Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council Meeting held on  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 7pm  
Hovingham Village Hall Community Room

**PRESENT.**

Councillor I. Battersby, Councillor P. Chapman Chairman, Councillor R. Matthews, Councillor Mrs W. Swann, Councillor R. Wainwright,  
Clerk Mrs S. Wainwright  
Elector. Mr J. Shipley

**APOLOGIES.** Received from Councillor Ms M. Gripiaios, Councillor M. Wilson and North Yorkshire County Councillor Mrs C. Wood.

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

Councillor P. Chapman proposed, Councillor I. Battersby seconded and it was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2016 be signed as a correct record.

**REPORT FROM NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS C. WOOD.**

**Information received via email.**

- The public consultation on NYCC budget has finished.
- NYCC Budget setting meeting 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017.
- Local Authorities have the ability to raise the precept element for Social Care over the next 3 years.
- The recommendation as to how this will be managed has not been taken.
- Continue to manage the phased removal of the government support grant by 2020.

**REPORT FROM RYEDALE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR R. WAINWRIGHT**

Pasture Lane

- RDC solicitor in correspondence with the solicitors of the land owner.
- NYCC Highways officer has been provided with a quotation from Ringways to carry out the work.

Ryedale District Council

- Management restructure has been completed without the need for compulsory redundancies.
- The annual salary saving will be £644,133 in 2017/18.
- The new structure will be in place by April 2017.

**ACTIONS**

To deal with matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting and new actions (bold)

**GENERAL (Hovingham & Scackleton)**

**Minerals and Waste Consultation.**

- The consultation has finished.
- Individual Councillors were invited to respond as no further response was made on behalf of the Parish Council.

**Village seats repairs and storage.**

- Hovingham Estate has kindly stored the village seats.
- The village hall committee has agreed to replace one seat that was beyond repair.

**SCACKLETON**

**Action Group Report.**

- Minutes of the quarterly meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November attached to these minutes.
- The Christmas party and Carol Service had raised £850 for church funds.

Defibrillator Update

- Defibrillator training to take place on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017.
- An inspection rota of volunteers to be set up to check the equipment.

## HOVINGHAM.

### Action Group Report.

- Report attached to these minutes.
- Continued appeal for more volunteers.
- The new website attracts three times the number of users of the old site.
- Playground committee pleased to welcome 2 new people on to the inspection rota.
- Playground to be closed shortly to enable rabbit control to take place.

### Cemetery Wall Repairs.

- Clerk to contact Mr D. Lumley to agree payment for the work done to date.

### Flooding.

- RDC has funds available for community groups to manage flooding.
- Currently nothing identified in Hovingham as qualifying for the funding.

### Mini Re-cycling Area

- Thanks to those who tidied the facility.
- Support for the village hall to hire a commercial bin.
- Propose contributions towards the cost be made by the Parish Council and the Market Group.
- To reduce the charge Councillor M. Wilson had agreed to collect the bin in April free of charge.

### Pasture Lane – update

- See report from District Councillor R. Wainwright

### Railings. Maintenance.

- Railings last painted in 2014
- Clerk to contact Mr J. Graham for a price to paint the village railings.
- Agreed to replace the 5 missing posts on the top green.
- Cost of each post approximately £8 each.
- Clerk to contact Mr P. Beecroft to complete post guards and erect the new posts.

### Speeding in Hovingham and Wath

- Chairman has continued to contact the Police Commissioner, Speed Watch and the Police.
- Complaints about speeding need to be registered and reported separately.
- The authorities perceive there is no major problem.
- Offer from NYCC Highways to purchase Temporary Vehicle Activated (TVA) signs at £2500 each deployed on a rotational basis. Agreed to decline offer
- Parish to pay cost of installation and rotation, typically £3500 per sign or £5400 for two, payable over 4 years interest free. Agreed to decline the offer.
- Wath Court Nursery is in negotiation with the owner of the property about new signage.

### Village Hall

#### Car Park Re-surfacing

- Quotations to carry out the work have been beyond the resources of the Village Hall Committee and/or the Parish Council. The VHC will look for more quotations.

#### Constitution

- Chairman had received a copy of the new constitution on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January and circulated it to all Councillors.
- A number of policy documents are to be written to complement the Constitution and provide further detail.
- The Parish Council supports the objective of the VHC to limit their individual personal liability however, the proposed new constitution does not provide the Community protection for the property provided by previous agreements.
- Councillors agreed to forward a copy to Sir William Worsley for his observations and comments.

#### Footpaths (Hovingham)

- The footpaths alongside the top green and from Hall Farm farmhouse to Hall Farm entrance have, over the years, narrowed.
- Propose to ask J. Wilson if he would be interested in cutting back the grass to the edge of the tarmac.
- Councillor M. Wilson to oversee and dispose of the rubbish.
- Councillors agreed.

## **FINANCE**

### Finance Update.

- Councillors provided with an up to date set of accounts. Copy attached to these minutes.
- Current situation is healthy.
- Memorial Fund had concluded with the Parish Council contribution being £113.94.
- Treasurer to provide a budget for the next meeting.
- Councillor I Battersby proposed the accounts be accepted. Agreed unanimously.

### Revised NYCC grant for grass cutting up from 6p to 7p a metre = £637.51

- Grass cutting is a major expense, £2320 for 2015/16.

### Grass Cutting Contract for 2017

- Agreed the Clerk contact the current contractors for willingness to continue and prices.
- Decision to be made at the next meeting.

### Insurance for Computer.

- The computer is covered under the current policy.
- It will be listed when the policy is renewed.

### Insurance for Volunteers (currently 15)

- Propose to investigate the cost of increasing the number to 25 when the policy is renewed.

### Replace up to 2 Hovingham Flower Tubs @ up to £50 each.

- Agreed to replace 2 tubs.

### Memorial Project completion.

- The new plaque was in place for the Remembrance Day Service.
- All the work and the Memorial Record Book had been paid for by the Royal British Legion with a contribution of £113.94 from the Parish Council.

### Proposal to spend £70 per year as 50% contribution towards 360 litre waste bin at the village hall.

- Proposal to make a 33% contribution (£70) towards the cost of a larger commercial waste bin to be sited at the village hall.
- Agreed.

### Proposal to spend £5,400 over 4years for two Temporary Vehicle Activated speed signs.

- This proposal was rejected.

### Proposal to spend up to £120 for maintenance of footpaths.

- Agreed to ask J. Wilson to carry out the work.
- Situation to be reviewed once the work round the top green completed.

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS** All information previously circulated. Available on RDC website. To view hard copies contact Parish Clerk.

- Mrs H. Sleights **16/01954/HOUSE** Escomb, The Old Quarry, Hovingham. YO62 4LB. Erection of single storey extension to side elevation, installation of 2no.flat roofed dormer windows to rear elevation and alterations to existing detached garage to form additional domestic living space. **Observations by 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017**
- No objections recorded.
- Councillors would expect materials used be in keeping with the area.

### **CORRESPONDENCE.** Not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

- Nothing to report.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

- Nothing to report.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

### **Date of the next meeting.**

**8<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

### **Dates for subsequent Parish Council Meetings.**

2017. 10<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> July 13<sup>th</sup> September, 8<sup>th</sup> November