

# **Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council Parish Council Meeting**

**Held in Hovingham Village Hall**

**at 7.20 pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

## **PRESENT**

Councillor P. Chapman - Chairman, Councillor F. Colenso, Councillor Dr N. Robson, Councillor R. Wainwright, Councillor M. Wilson - Vice Chairman.

Observer: Steve Britland      Clerk: Miss S Farrow

## **APOLOGIES FROM COUNCILLORS UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MEETING**

Apologies from Councillor R. Matthews.

**MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.** Phil proposed, Mark seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020 and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021 be signed as a correct record.

## **GENERAL (Hovingham & Scackleton)**

### **FINANCE**

- Mrs Jan Vowles has signed and approved our 2020-21 accounts.
- A Copy of the financial details are on our website and can be provided to anyone who requests one, showing transparency.

### **PARISH CLERK**

- The appointment of me as Parish Clerk was announced. S Farrow's wages of £165 a month, including their fees, paid by Autela Payroll Services.

### **NEW PARISH COUNCIL CONTACT ADDRESS**

- Contact address of the Parish Council has changed from Hovingham to S Farrow's- 19 Kirbymills, Kirkbymoorside, York, YO62 6NP.

### **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

- Everyone was reminded to ensure their Declaration of interests are up to date.

### **PROPOSED STANDING ORDERS**

- The Model Standing orders were proposed and unanimously agreed to adopt them.

### **CORONAVIRUS**

- Bradford is the closest place with a high number of Covid cases, particularly the India variant otherwise Ryedale is virus-free.
- Scackleton and Hovingham have been bound together throughout the pandemic, helping one another. There's been support all around.
- The Chair also thanked Hovingham businesses for their invaluable support given to residents.

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS; LITTER PICK**

- There was a Litter Pick on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021 which was hugely successful. The main reason for that was people have missed socialising during lockdowns. It also proved a safe and friendly environment and served a great purpose. Lot of people; 35 bags of litter collected. Shows a return to some normality.

### **GARDENING**

- Cliffords have retired and Circle Garden Services have been appointed to cut verges in Hovingham and Scackleton.
- Shepherd Cross continue to cut the greens in Hovingham.

### **NEWSLETTER**

- These were published every two months and may be replaced with an "electronic newsletter" rather than paper. This would avoid wasting a lot of paper however, 10-25% of villagers do not have internet.
- A proposal to re-launch electronically, with a backup for those without internet connection, will be made shortly. It was agreed for the Newsletter team to spend up to £400 to re-launch, subject to their proposal being made and agreed via email.

- Nicole has contact email addresses for Scackleton residents.

### CO-OPTING A NEW COUNCILLOR

- Steve Britland, a Scackleton resident, is interested in joining the Council as a co-opted member of the Council. He has attended this meeting as an Observer. **ACTIONS:** Nicole to contact Steve.
- This will be proposed at the next meeting to take effect from then until the next election in May 2023.

## SCACKLETON

### ACTION GROUP MEETING REPORT

- Copy attached.

### FLOWER PROPOSAL

- It was agreed to spend £110 per annum to maintain planters.

### COMPLAINTS ABOUT SCACKLETON/ COULTON BANK

- This is totally impassable for lorries. Solution suggested is to erect a sign near Town End Farm. Issues with the sign – need to warn people about the bend. Vehicles can't manoeuvre round the bend and are trapped, as has happened. Severe gradients are not the problem. Need to determine if they're happy to erect a sign. **ACTIONS:** Suggestion for a NO HGV's beyond this point sign. Nicole to contact NYCC Highways.

### SCAMS

- Scams- vulnerable audience – Nicole already regularly emails some residents and puts notices on the board to warn people.

## HOVINGHAM

### ACTION GROUP REPORT

- Copy attached.
- Playground lease expires in 2025.
- Jayne Berger will continue emptying Playground Honesty Box.
- Project Purple are looking to run the repair cafe on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021. 16 volunteers currently wanting to help who want to run a community hub with free cake and tea. Will talk about renewal heating incentive- runs out in 2022, electric charging, carbon footprint, fitting heat pumps in homes. **Now postponed due to covid announcement on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021.**

### BAKERY AND SEATING

- Simon is currently providing seating and ensuring litter collected. Two residents have complained about seating and parking. The Parish Council fully support the Bakery and what they are doing to manage the situation.
- Some of the litter comes from customers of Village Shop. **ACTIONS:** Serena to contact Hovingham Stores to place litter bin outside shop.

### BROOKSIDE

- Hovingham Estate has agreed to limit farm vehicles to 10kph and cars to 10mph. Turn full lights off at night, use minimum for safety. Minimise times they work at night.

### CEMETERY

- Serena carried out inspection which confirmed wall needs re-pointing.

### CORONATION GREEN

- Mark and Robert are to remove tree.
- The railings are to be repaired and replaced. **ACTIONS:** Nicola to Chase Rob Matthews re: RAILINGS repaired. He promised to carry out the job.
- The seat around the tree needs replacing. It was agreed to spend up to £1,500 on a new seat. **ACTIONS:** Serena to get quotes for new seat and circulate to Councillors.

### WATER OUTFLOW FROM VILLAGE AT HALL FARM

- Yorkshire Water and NYCC are attempting to map and determine responsibility for outflow pipework in and around Hall Farm. **ACTIONS:** David Teasdale chasing Yorkshire Water to determine responsibilities.

#### **HALL FARM COTTAGES**

- Cottages 1 to 3 belong to Estate who rent them out.
- There are problems (joint) selling remaining houses as the 1991 contract is out of date and making it hard to borrow money as lease is insufficient for a mortgage. The Parish Council and Estate need to liaise on this and ensure that eligible applicants are promptly evaluated and a decision made, together chasing JRT when needed.

#### **HOVINGHAM INN DEVELOPEMENT**

- The footpath fence has now been relocated to correct position. Thank you to Frank & Robert.
- The footpath will need some maintenance once the buildings are finished

#### **HOVINGHAM INN WALL**

- The wall between the Inn and VH Car Park needs repairing. NYCC are being chased to determine owner of wall and get them to pay for work. We have done as much as we can and must continue putting pressure on NYCC. **ACTIONS:** Serena to continue chasing NYCC or owner, who is Hovingham Inn. Serena involved Highways as well.

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#### **MULTI-USE PATH**

- The Ryedale Cycle Forum need the permission of all landowners owning and tenants using land used and bordering proposed path. Once all permission has been obtained the Parish Council can discuss the proposal and consult with residents.
- The proposers of a similar path at Kirkbymoorside attempted to raise over £60,000 using Crowdfunder, and raised just over £2,200 in 57 days.

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#### **NOTICEBOARD MAINTENANCE**

- The weight of the strengthened/toughened glass is the problem. A proposal to replace glass and runners with two ready-made boards, costing up to £350, was agreed. **ACTIONS:** Robert to source and install two boards, with locks on at least Parish Council side

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#### **PEACOCK QUARRY**

- They are monitoring the level of noise generated by their operations however, the true cause of the noise was not included in the report. **ACTIONS** Serena to chase Peacocks and the Hovingham Estate that we are not happy with the situation. They have also not yet installed the agreed wheel wash. Need to follow through.

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#### **SPEEDING VEHICLE NUISANCE**

- Vehicles continue to speed through both villages
- The Speedwatch team report vehicle numbers are similar to pre-lockdown.
- Bi-directional speed surveys will take place at 3 locations, in Park Street, outside Village Hall and by Hall Farm Cottages. These will now go ahead in 2nd week June.
- The Estate have confirmed they not want "gates" at entry points to village.
- HGVs belong to Moseys, and their contractors, cause considerable nuisance in Hovingham due to their speed, size and rattling noise when empty. **ACTIONS:** Serena will write to Ian Mosey, once the speed data is available, to request a voluntary 20mph speed limit, or slower, in the village with warning signs for drivers. The quarries already agree to this speed limit.

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#### **VILLAGE HALL**

- Not opening up before 21<sup>st</sup> June, cleaning and COVID security would have to be factored in.

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#### **CAR PARK DONATIONS**

- Sue and Robert are emptying the Honesty Box and depositing monies into Parish Council bank account, giving deposit slips to Clerk

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#### **CAR PARK INSPECTION**

- Mark and Frank inspected car park which is in need of immediate repair of pot holes.
  - Professional quote(s) are being obtained and will be discussed via email.
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### **CAR PARK FRONT WALL REPAIR**

- **ACTIONS:** Serena to remind David Lumley.

### **RECYCLING AREA**

- Following Sue's retirement someone is needed to oversee the area. **ACTIONS:** Frank set to find someone to keep the area tidy and it gets messy.

### **VILLAGE HALL WASTE BIN**

- Cost of £290 to be shared between Village Hall and Parish Council, agreed to pay £145 towards cost.

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- None

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- **BANK:** Frank wants to change from Barclays Bank because of their investment in fossil fuels. We do have experience with Coop so would be a solid choice. **ACTION:** Frank to investigate suitable alternatives and make proposal at future meeting

### **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

14<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm in Hovingham Village Hall.

**Name: Philip Chapman (Chairman)**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_