

Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council – Meeting

Wednesday 23rd July 2025 – St Georges Church Scackleton

Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00pm		
1	Those attending: - Phil Chapman, Jayne Berger, Steve Britland, Mark Wilson, Robert Wainwright, Nicole Robson, Giles Naish, Ann Chapman. (Plus, one resident). Apologies for absence: -	
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2	Minutes of the last meeting held on 21 st May 2025: - Approved	
3	Report North Yorkshire Councillor Steve Mason: - None received	
4	Questions or Comments from the Public: - None were received	
5	General Actions (Hovingham and Scackleton): - a. Drainage & Flooding. • Brookside Flood Scheme, the funding bid is now approved, but a business plan is required before formal go ahead. We continue to chase them for updates. • Beck clearance near Pasture House requires further clearing. Mark says the Environment Agency will do this late summer, in the meantime Mark has strimmed the beck with the help of Charles Pacey. • Diversion culvert. The estate usually do the sides with a hedge cutter after harvest. David Skelton will strim the bottom. • Two blocked gullies (Manor House and Old School House) have been logged with NYC. Manor House gully has too small a pipe outlet for the amount of water and level problems, we will discuss this with Highways. School House proved to be a sewer cover not a gully. NYV sending a camera to try and improve drainage in that area. b. GP Surgery – • Jayne and Ann have suggested content for the Surgery Flyer and reviewed the draft. We will find out timelines for the next stage and continue to liaise with Penny. • The GP Surgery is part of the area covered by the latest Estate Masterplan and this will be included in our discussions on the Masterplan. This is a valuable village asset and there is considerable need and support for its continued presence in the village. c. Grass Cutting – • 3 cuts have taken place in Hovingham and Scackleton. • All of Scackleton should have had a full cut last time, but the South end beyond Wood Cottage only had the 1m roadside strip done. • For Scackleton to minimise the amount of cutting in between full cuts, we are just having 1m strips cut on the wider verges where there is no pavement for pedestrians to use. This should allow us to have 7 cuts a year. d. Moseys Planning update • Moseys Discussions. Jayne and Ann met them again on June 2nd. The 20mph rollout continues and is having a significant positive effect. On Monday 21st July the Mosey team met with the Parish Council and it was mutually agreed that meetings should continue as there is still some improvement to be made. • Planning Contravention Notice update (Breach 23/00071/BC) relating to the plant capacity. On 17th June 2025 NYC confirm a Planning Breach has occurred and asked that Moseys regularise the situation by 23rd July 2025. We have submitted more information and have a meeting with NYC on Tuesday 29th July. e. Neighbourhood Plan • Giles reported that the group have appointed David Webb as chair (as Caroline is leaving the village). Government have withdrawn funding and also the status of Neighbourhood Plans is somewhat unknown at present. A Community Questionnaire is going to be produced anyway, as it can have other uses than just the Neighbourhood Plan. f. North Yorkshire Council Local Plan “Local Plan” • Consultation on NYC documents relating to preparation of a Local Plan have been released. Consultation closed on 15th July. We submitted our comments and asked for feedback https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/localplan	Mark Mark/ Ann Jayne /Ann Mark/ Nicole Ann/ Jayne Mark/ Ann Giles Ann

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5	General Actions (Hovingham and Scackleton): continued: “Call for sites” Call for Sites - Details - Keyplan (objective.co.uk) - NYCC call for sites was released on 31st January 2025. No sites have been assessed or graded for suitability. 1700 sites have been submitted across North Yorkshire. The consultation has now been delayed until 2026. (it was start about now). g. Cell phone coverage - NYC cell phone coverage program manager Michael Grayson - Michael.Grayson@northyorks.gov.uk - A position paper on the problem was send to Steve Mason for his action. He advises this has been referred to the AAC (Area Committee?) - We will need to chase this ourselves. h. Code of Conduct: An NYC approved code of conduct was adopted formally by the Parish Council. Proposed: Mark Wilson; seconded Robert Wainwright and approved unanimously. This will be published on the village website.	Ann
6	Scackleton Actions: - a. Action Group Report attached to minutes on website (www.hovingham.org.uk/council) b. Woodland Proposal in Scackleton - Planting has been done in North West and North East sections. - The future of Lodge Farm is uncertain with concerns over its future, slurry run off etc c. Wild Scackleton – an initiative from Nicholas Burrows at NYC - A village talk is being organised explaining the initiative	Nicole Steve
7	Hovingham Actions: - a. Hovingham Action Group Report: - Full report attached to minutes on website (www.hovingham.org.uk/council) - The Parish Council wish to record its thanks to Caroline and David Davis who are leaving Hovingham and moving to Scotland. They have been involved in village groups and their activities and all their energy and concern for the community will be missed. b. Cemetery - The records have been rebuilt with missing records from three sources. We will attempt to dry out the sodden records just delivered to us to see if they fill any gaps. - We will organise survey teams for the autumn to check over the cemetery map and compare it to the cemetery itself. c. Village Maintenance 1. Backside railings the repairs need to be tidied up. - NYC have asked the contractors to rectify the problems. NYC are chasing the contractors for a date. The railings will be painted by village volunteers when problems fixed. 2. Boundary Wall with Myse Restaurant. - We have contributions (without prejudice) from Village Hall, Market, Parish Council, Myse and Hovingham Estate and a quotation from Pinnacle for £2,000 to complete this work. - Monday 21st July this work started, with cooperation from Myse, the Bowls Club and Parish Council - Documentation is now to be prepared asking for contributors to make their payments 3. Painting of railings at Backside and Mossburn Bank. - Giles and his team will do this when the Backside railings are repaired 4. Playground Turning Circle - Jayne and Ann have discussed with NYC what responsibilities ownership brings. In June Jayne and Ann met with Jon Walton from NYC Public Rights of Way. A report has been sent to the Parish Council with details of their suggestions. - Ann and Jayne will investigate the issues and options and prepare a proposal for the parish Council. There are issues of safety, parking and road surface etc to consider.	Ann Ann/ Jayne/ Phil Ann Giles Ann/ Jayne

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7	Hovingham Actions: - continued 5. Overgrown Footpath on the corner of Mossburn Drive Mark and Ann cleared this growth (subsequent to this meeting) on Thursday morning. 6. Myse The steps are still not repaired and the café referred to in the planning application has stayed closed. We will follow up with NYC on these issues.	Ann
8	Finance: - a. Finance Report: - The report has been distributed. b. Term Deposit Account: - A proposal for a term deposit account set up under the existing bank authority which would yield some £1,000 for the Parish Council and Action group has been submitted. Excess funds will be transferred there. There is a 95-day notice period. - Proposed Nicole Robson; seconded Steve Britland an approved unanimously by the Councillors. c. Payment approvals: The work (item 7c2) repairing the Myse boundary wall, is budgeted at £2,000. Payment for this was approved on the basis of contributions being made and the Parish Council share likely to be about £300. Approved by the meeting.	Phil
9	Planning: - a. Myse, reinstatement of steps Approved by Planning. Myse advise quotations for the work and sourcing the stone are underway. We are going to chase NYC on this b. Manor House ZE24/09386/LBC Approved by NYC. c. Scackleton Pond John White ZE24/07382/FUL approved by Parish Council, approved by NYC. d. Clearing of pond –Les Hickes Scackleton ZE24/09423/FUL approved by Parish Council, approved by NYC. e. Manor Cottage – ZE25/00213/HOUSE – approved by Parish Council, approved by NYC. f. NYM National Park ZE25/00216/FUL for Hollis Bank leaky dam – supported by Parish Council, NYC informed. Mark advises that ‘someone’ was up there on 21st May looking at the site. g. Tree removal – Portuguese Bay, Key Cottage, Park St. Supported by the Parish Council, NYC informed. Work is now completed. h. Swallows Cottage, High St, Hovingham. Retrospective application for replacement of windows and door. Supported by the Parish Council. There is confusion as to the Listed Building validity and this is being challenged by the owner. i. Hobbs Cottage, Brookside – skylight and other work. The application was resubmitted without the skylight and under listed building consent. It has been approved with an ‘Informative’ asking that no-one park on the verges. j. Lavender Cottage, work has commenced. k. Peter Stark farm building construction. This is now approved with an ‘Informative’ about bats. New Planning Application l. Hovingham Estate ZE25/00641/CAT tree reduction and felling. Parish Council approved this application, NYC informed. There might be tree protection orders involved. m. New Consultation - Hovingham Estate. - An event was held by Hovingham Estate, on Thursday 17th July relating to the refurbishing of the Worsley Arms and new housing. - Residents, businesses and visitors are encouraged to send their comments/suggestions to Hovingham Estate and to the Parish Council so they can be included in the consultation. - We are planning a Parish Council workshop on Friday 25th July to consider our response. Hovingham Estate have arranged a meeting with us on Friday 1st August at 10am to answer questions, concerns etc.	Ann

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10	Correspondence: - None	
11	Any other business: - Road crossing safety: residents have requested a mirror for Main Street down by Hall Farm Cottages and Northfield House. The corner and speed of the traffic is causing concerns. We will investigate the feasibility of this with NYC. Slipping over in the beck: despite signage, people are still slipping on the beck crossing. David Teasdale does ‘scrub’ the crossing occasionally. Paths for Everyone: Mark (with Bruce Harrison) met with Frank Colenso to discuss issues about permissive footpaths, no hard path surfaces etc. The Parish Council emphasised that ALL owners, tenants and neighbours must agree to pathway prior to construction and agree responsibilities for maintenance and ensuring proper usage. Power Supply Maintenance work: Nicole advised that Scackleton is having transformer and pole work done as part of an upgrade programme. We know there are supply and capacity issues locally. We will try and find out more details of their plans for the area.	Ann/ Jayne Mark Ann
12	DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS 2025 ●24th September ● 26th November These start at 7^{pm} in Hovingham Village Hall - Community Room, except in July which is at St Georges, Scackleton. All welcome Please notify Clerk as soon as possible if unable to attend any of these meetings. Ann Chapman, Wyvern House, Park Street, Hovingham YO62 4JZ email parishclerk@hovingham.org.uk	