

Hovingham with Scackleton Parish Council – Meeting

Wednesday 24th September 2025 – Hovingham Community Room

Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00pm		
1	<p>Those attending: - Phil Chapman, Steve Britland, Mark Wilson, Nicole Robson, Ann Chapman. (Plus, four residents).</p> <p>Apologies for absence: - Giles Naish</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resignations from the Parish Council: Robert Wainwright and Jayne Berger have resigned from the Parish Council. Proposal for appointment of a new Parish councillor: Kevin Brennan of Hovingham was nominated as Parish Councillor. Proposed by Mark Wilson, seconded by Nicole Robson, approved by all councillors. Phil will contact Kevin and welcome him to the team. 	
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2	Minutes of the last meeting held on 23rd July 2025: - Approved	
3	Report North Yorkshire Councillor Steve Mason: - None received	
4	Questions or Comments from the Public: - None were received	
5	<p>General Actions (Hovingham and Scackleton): -</p> <p>a. Drainage & Flooding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brookside Flood Scheme, a recent update suggested that a Business Plan had gone to the Environment Agency and funding should be known in 4-6 weeks. This still does not clarify Hovingham's position and timeframes. Beck clearance Mark had already strimmed the beck with the help of Charles Pacey. The Environment Agency have now cleared the area between Northfield House and Pasture House. <p>b. GP Surgery –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It appears that nursing appointments are no longer available at Hovingham and residents now have to go to Ampleforth which, due to transport difficulties, is causing anxiety. Nicole and Ann will meet with Penny Coldbeck and find out the latest position of the surgery <p>c. Grass Cutting –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 cuts have taken place and there may be another cut for Hovingham and Scackleton depending on weather. <p>d. Moseys update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning Contravention Notice update (Breach 23/00071/BC) relating to the plant capacity. See section 9m for full details. <p>e. Neighbourhood Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Giles will be asked for an update on his return. This update will be distributed. <p>f. North Yorkshire Council Local Plan “Local Plan”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation closed on 15th July. We submitted our comments and asked for feedback. https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/localplan There has been no news <p>“Call for sites” Call for Sites - Details - Keyplan (objective.co.uk)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NYCC call for sites was released on 31st January 2025. The consultation has now been delayed until 2026. There is no further news. <p>g. Cell phone coverage - NYC cell phone coverage program manager Michael Grayson - Michael.Grayson@northyorks.gov.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A position paper on the problem was sent to Steve Mason for his action. He advises this has been referred to the AAC (Area Committee?) in March 2025 There has been no news on this so Ann will chase Steve Mason 	<p>Mark</p> <p>Nicole /Ann</p> <p>Mark/ Nicole</p> <p>Giles</p> <p>Ann</p> <p>Ann</p> <p>Ann</p>

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6	<p>Scackleton Actions: -</p> <p>a. Action Group Report attached to minutes on website (www.hovingham.org.uk/council) An Incident of fly tipping was raised; NYC have collected the rubbish from the site.</p> <p>b. Woodland Proposal in Scackleton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 There is no further news. <p>c. Wild Scackleton – an initiative from Nicholas Burrows at NYC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A village talk is being organised explaining this initiative for the end of October 	<p>Nicole</p> <p>Steve</p>
7	<p>Hovingham Actions: -</p> <p>a. Hovingham Action Group Report: - Full report attached to minutes on website (www.hovingham.org.uk/council)</p> <p>b. Cemetery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A survey team working bee has been organised for Monday 29th September to check over the cemetery map and compare it to the cemetery itself. <p>c. Village Maintenance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Beckside railings the repairs need to be tidied up. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. Boundary Wall and Myse Restaurant. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have received all contributions for this work which is now completed. An adjacent sycamore sapling needs removing as it is undermining the wall The repairs to the Myse steps are waiting for the insurance issue (relating to subsequent damage to the front window) to be resolved. Myse mentioned the possibility of opening the café in the 'Spring' Painting of railings at Beckside and Mossburn Bank. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Giles and his team will do this when the Beckside railings are repaired Playground Turning Circle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ann and Jayne have investigated the issues and options with NYC and Public Rights of Way to clarify our obligations as land owners. There are issues of safety, parking and road surface etc to consider. An on-site visit will be scheduled with Parish Councillors to discuss options Overgrown Footpath near Hall Farm. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We contacted NYC to ask the footpath be cleared. NYC replied that it was an issue with funding. Meanwhile, residents cleared the footpath themselves. An adjacent stretch is also in need to clearing. A working bee will be organised to do this. Road Crossing near Coatesworth House <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A resident raised safety concerns in trying to cross the road here. They suggested a 'mirror' to give better visibility NYC advised mirrors were not their approved strategy and instead suggested we log this as a safety issue via the Portal, which we did. NYC have acknowledged receipt and will send an engineer out to assess the site. The resident has been advised of progress on this. Mossburn Bank concerns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents expressed concerns over the untidiness of the bank which was passed to Project Purple as managers of the project. An event is planned for Monday 29th September with National Landscapes, North York Moors and Project Purple for residents to attend. 	<p>Ann/ Nicole /Phil</p> <p>Ann</p> <p>Ann/ Mark</p> <p>Giles</p> <p>Ann</p> <p>Ann</p> <p>Mark/ Ann</p> <p>Ann</p>

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7	<p>Hovingham Actions: - continued</p> <p>8. Hovingham Playground Vandalism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significant vandalism has occurred at the Playground and graffiti around the village. The Police were called in and those responsible have been warned. Damage to the Pat Harrison seat has been repaired by Steve Britland. Costs for material was approved by the Parish Council (£50 approximately). Damage to the Pagoda will be assessed by Steve and he will make a recommendation as to repair. <p>9. Broken railing near Urrard House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A resident reported a railing at the bridge has been broken with safety concerns NYC were advised and came the next day to put up safety barrier. They further advised that the land is most likely private and NYC will call on Willow House and Urrard House to clarify actions needed. The resident has been informed of progress. 	<p>Steve</p> <p>Ann</p>
8	<p>Finance and Admin: -</p> <p>a. Finance Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The report has been distributed. The second tranche of the 2025 Precept from NYC is now due (subsequently received) The term deposit account continues to attract worthwhile interest <p>b. Payment approvals: None required</p> <p>c. Parish Precept 2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final approval for the Precept amount is not needed until December 2025. It is thought that there is no need to increase the Precept, at this point. <p>d. Parish Councillors email addresses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To comply with new requirements for Parish Councillor emails needing to use 'private' email accounts, the Parish Council will shortly be setting up email accounts on hovingham.org.uk which complies with these AGAR requirements. Instructions will be sent out with details of how these should be set up. 	<p>Phil</p> <p>Phil</p>
9	<p>Planning: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Myse, reinstatement of steps Approved by Planning. 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. Swallows Cottage, High St, Hovingham. Retrospective application for replacement of windows and door. Supported by the Parish Council. Refused by NYC due to listed building status. h. Hobbs Cottage, Brookside –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. i. Lavender Cottage, work has commenced. j. Peter Stark farm building construction. This is now approved with an 'Informative' about bats. k. Hovingham Estate ZE25/00641/CAT and ZE25/00906/TPO tree reduction and felling. Parish Council approved this application, NYC informed. Due to Tree Protection Orders a revised application was submitted. 	<p>Ann</p>

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9	<p>Planning: - continued</p> <p>I. Masterplan Consultation - Hovingham Estate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An event was held by Hovingham Estate, on Thursday 17th July relating to the refurbishing of the Worsley Arms and new housing. • The Parish Council submitted its response, with Mark Wilson declaring a ‘conflict of interest’. • A report from Hovingham Estate is due shortly with the results of the consultation. <p>New Applications</p> <p>m. Ian Mosey Planning Breach 11/00498/73A. Planning application ZE25/00498/73A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Council have submitted their objection to this application. • Residents report issues with their requests for redaction not being actioned, or not actioned in a timely manner. Residents were advised to make an official complaint to NYC. • The Parish Council will also write to NYC, querying the redacting issue. • Timelines for a decision seem to have been extended. • 100+ objections have been lodged so far. <p>n. Brook House Hovingham, double glazing for listed building ZE25/00903/LBC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Council supported this application and advised NYC 	Phil
10	<p>Correspondence: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
11	<p>Any other business: -</p> <p>a. Howardian Hills National Landscapes Management Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Council have been invited to an event in Hovingham on 2nd October to discuss the objectives of the Plan. • An online survey is available at Management & Work Programme Howardian Hills until 21st October <p>b. Ofgem RTS advisory:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This advisory concerns the phased shutdown of RTS electricity meters. • There will be a need for customers to upgrade (at no cost) to a smart meter. • This information will be included in the Village Diary and Notice Board. 	Phil
12	<p>DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26th November <p>DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS 2026</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28th January • 25th March • 26th May • 22nd July - Scackleton • 23rd September • 25th November <p>These start at 7^{pm} in Hovingham Village Hall - Community Room, except in July which is at St Georges, Scackleton. All welcome</p> <p>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</p>	