

ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th April 2023 at 7.30pm in the Atkin Room, Elvington Village Hall.

Yvonne Eggleston

035/23 Councillors Present: Cllrs Moorhouse, Young, Rickard, Lloyd, Ward Cllr Vassie plus the Clerk
2 parishioners present

Apologies: Cllrs Laverack, Gallery

036/23 Declaration of Interests: None

037/23 Minutes. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21st February 2023.

Proposed: Cllr Young Seconded: Cllr LLOYD

Parishioners Matters: Concerns were raised about the placement of benches on The Green. The Grey Horse is registered as a Community Asset and as such is an important aspect of the village. The Parish Council has agreed restrictions on the number of benches allowed, the length of time in which they can be on The Green during the summer plus the hours during which they can be in use. The Parish Council also reserves the right to have them removed should there be any abuse of the Terms and Conditions.

There has been positive feedback in previous years about the benches.

The present parishioners reported that there had been noise issues after the tables had been cleared by the pub. Use of the tables falls within the Licensing Rules. These concerns will be passed onto the Landlord. **SL**

The Green belongs to the Parish Council and is not an extension of the Grey Horse, therefore Such behaviour would be classed as anti-social and may involve the Police. Anyone who has any complaints should report them to the Clerk by email.

038/23 Matters arising from the Minutes not covered in this agenda.

i. Wheldrake to Heslington Cycle Path - formal letters have been sent out by CYC to the landowners. A strategic report has been prepared by Natural England. A clear statement from CYC is required outlining its vision for York. Sustrans has already submitted a report to the Dept for Transport.

Cllr Vassie will continue to pursue and keep the Parish Council informed. **CV**

039/23 Agenda Items.

i. Odour/slick emitting from the beck - the Environment Agency have reported that the oil slick noted in the beck is light heating oil. Investigations are still underway to determine the source of the leak. Rafts have been put in the beck in an effort to soak the oil up and prevent it from moving further downstream but there is evidence that this is not happening. There are concerns about the risks to health , to children playing in the beck and any effect it may have on the River Derwent and its banks which is a SSSI area.

A request for information on the quality of the water in the beck will be made from the Environment Agency. **YE**

040/23 Correspondence (in):

Available from the Clerk

- i. Complaint from parishioner about strong odour and oil slick between the school and the Doctor's Surgery.
- ii. Complaint from parishioner about the placement of the proposed traffic calming measures.
- iii. Complaint from parishioner about the benches on The Green.
- iv. Voluntary Voice
- v. NALC Chief Executive's Bulletin
- vi. White Rose updates
- vii. Public Executive Newsletters

041/23 Correspondence (out)

- i. Response to complaint about the placement of the proposed traffic calming measures (Chairman)
- ii. Request to environment Agency (Clerk)
- iii. Response to suggestion for Telephone Box (Chairman)
- iv. Response to complaint about the benches on The Green (Clerk)

042/23 Financial.

Receipts to note: i. CYC - Double Taxation - £1585.70
ii. CYC - Grant for Bee Monitor - £300.00

Payments to approve:

- i. Room Hire (Parish Council February) - £12.75
- ii. Replacement pads and starter kit for defibrillator - £82.62
- iii. Grass cutting - £280.00
- iv. YLCA Membership - £439.00
- v. Spare pads for defibrillator - £73.08
- vi. Room Hire (first Responders) - £12.75

Approved by All

Other Matters:

- i. Operating Statement was agreed. Bank Statement checked by Councillor.

043/23 Planning Applications:

New Applications:

23/00380/FUL - single storey and side extensions following demolition of existing conservatory - 23 Becksde, Elvington, YO41 4BE for Mrs S Moore - No objection

23/00346/FUL variation of Condition 2 of permitted application 22/01124/FUL to alter the proposed drawings and remove front dormer - Sycamore cottage, Church Lane, Elvington, YO41 4AD for Mrs Barugh - No objection

Approvals:

23/00380/FUL - single storey and side extensions following demolition of existing conservatory - 23 Becksde, Elvingto, YO41 4BE for Mrs S Moore

23/00247/FUL - Single storey rear extension - Halo Hair Studio, The Green, Elvington, YO41 4AF

for Mr D Oldfield

23/00273/FUL - Two storey side extension and 1no. Rooflight to front - Allenby House, Wheldrake Lane, Elvington, YO42 4AY for Mr & Mrs Handley

Refusals: None

Other Matters: City of York Local Plan Modifications Consultation 2023 - no further update.

044/23 Highways, Paths and Verges

- i. Becksid crossing - work on the build-out commenced on Monday 17th April and is due to finish on Saturday 22nd April. Concerns have been expressed that vehicles, particularly HGVs will mount the pavement. Cllr Vassie will enquire whether it is possible to have extra Bollards and/or yellow lines installed to prevent this and the parking of vehicles close to the Crossing. **CV**
- ii. Wheldrake Lane - is a 2-stage process. The current radius of the turn is set for vehicles not pedestrians. Improvements will be carried out.
- iii. Sutton/Elvington Bridge - CYC is to work together with ERYC on an 18 month temporary weight restriction. The Clerk will ask for an update from both Councils. **YE**
- iv. Church Lane - Cllr Lloyd reported that the requested clean up had not taken place. There is mud on the crown of the road which needs shovelling. This then needs to be followed by the filling-in of the potholes. The Clerk will pursue this with CYC. **YE**
- v. Verges - Cllr Moorhouse has met with a representative from Natural England. The soil is too rich for classic wild flower meadows.. Natural England offered to flail the verges in July and November.

Natural England would be able to provide suitable flowers for the verges and also for in front of the Doctors' Surgery as this is of poor quality. It is not known if the land belongs to CYC or the Surgery.

Cllr Vassie will investigate. Cllr Lloyd will speak to the Surgery to see if there are any objections to planting wild flowers. **CV, SL**

Natural England would also be able to help provide bird boxes and hedgehog houses and give presentations in the Village hall to parishioners. The new Parish Council will organise a talk possibly in early July.

Elvington is a no-spray village. Cllr Vassie will pursue CYC to carry out the 4 kerb cleans it is required to do each year. **CV**

045/23 Legacy Project - no further update.

046/23 Village Events

- i. Coronation of King Charles III - Monday 8th May The Big Help Out - parishioners will be encouraged to join in with a big litter pick in the village. Cllr Vassie will source litter pickers, bags etc from CYC.

047/23 Village Assets

- i. Playpark - the Clerk will arrange a date with the Play Inspection Company for an independent inspection. **YE**
- ii. The Green -
 - a) Wooden posts - have been ordered and will be in place in time for the Coronation. Cllr Young will arrange for them to be painted by the scouts. **JY**
 - b) Beacon - carried forward to the next meeting
 - c) Pots - Cllr Rickard reported that most of the pots have deteriorated and need replacing before any replanting can take place. She will source some pots that are

suitable. **JR**

d) Trees - the saplings are now of a suitable size for planting. Sapling protectors will be inserted.

e) Benches on the Green - see Parishioners Matters

048/23 Recent and Forthcoming Meetings:

i. Wheldrake Ward Meeting - 20th March 6.00pm White Rose House, Wheldrake - not attended

049/23 Items for Newsletter, Website and Facebook -

i. Cancellation of Duck Race as a result of the contamination of the beck.

ii. Requests for parishioners to join the Litter Pick on Monday 8th May.

050/23 Urgent business. Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the local Government Act 1972: None

051/23 Items to be placed on the next Agenda - to be with the Clerk before Friday 5th May 2023

Date of next Parish Council meetings: Tuesday 16th May 2023 at 7.30pm

This will include the: Annual Parish Meeting

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Monthly Meeting of the Parish Council

Meeting closed: 9.07pm