

HESLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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Feedback We are always interested in residents' comments on the Newsletter. If there's something you would like us to add, just contact the Parish Clerk at HeslingtonPC@outlook.com.

Coronavirus advice See: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public#situation-in-the-uk> or phone 111.

Village Meeting Room Situated off Main Street opposite the Deramore Arms and behind Linden Cottage, the Meeting Room is available for hire at a reasonable charge for regular activities and for one-off meetings, parties etc. Visit the website www.heslingtonmeetingroom.net or phone **01904 422130** for further information and bookings. The Committee is planning to refurbish the Main Hall before the end of 2020. The committee welcomes comments and suggestions from users. The Meeting Room AGM will be held on Thursday 30 April at 7pm, in the Meeting Room.

Heslington Lunch Club A nominal £5 gets you a home cooked hot meal and dessert and convivial company. The club meets in the Village Meeting Room on the third Monday of each month from 12 noon. Please phone ahead if you wish to come - **Frank: 415142, Jean: 652660, Maggi: 423090.**

City of York Local Plan The draft Local Plan includes three significant sites within Heslington Parish: Langwith Garden Village settlement of about 3,300 houses on predominantly green field land; expansion of York University next to Low Lane and a further 211 houses on Hull Road. In addition, many acres of farm land are to be reassigned for bird habitat, to mitigate for the lower Derwent. In all, some 900 acres of cultivated land would be built over or re-designated in this parish. Phase 1 public hearing sessions took place in December 2019 which looked at legal compliance (including Duty to Co-operate, Sustainability Appraisal and Habitat Regulations), housing need and greenbelt principle. Council Officers are currently completing additional requirements from the Inspectors including further work on the Habitat Regulations Assessment. This work will be completed by 31st March 2020 and submitted to the Inspectors. The Inspectors will then issue an interim report which will indicate whether the hearings will progress straight to phase 2 hearings later in 2020 or whether further work is required as a result of phase 1. It is anticipated that an interim report will be received in April 2020.

Hedge cutting and the law Some mature hedgerows are protected by law but this wouldn't normally apply to garden hedges. It is recommended not to cut hedges and trees between March and August as this is the main breeding season for nesting birds, although some birds may nest outside this period.

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York Environmental Forum York Environment Forum is formed of a range of organisations, groups and individuals interested in environmental factors. It meets monthly. Recent meetings have addressed the transport for York survey, changes in farming following new subsidy laws and the need to lower carbon emissions and the importance of trees for the environment. Many groups are actively working together to help improve our environment. You can find out more at Yorkenvironmentforum.org.uk

New benches on Main Street New bases have now been prepared and with support from local Ward funding, 2 new wooden benches are on order. Following further discussions, the Coronation Bench will now remain on the Main Street grass verge and be moved to the seating area opposite the Deramore Arms.

Neighbourhood Plan We are shortly expecting the independent Examiner's final report. The Plan, with any modifications required by the Examiner, will then go forward to a referendum of Heslington residents. If there is a majority "Yes" vote at this referendum, then our Neighbourhood Plan will become part of the statutory development plan for Heslington.

Path opposite Heslington Hall An arboricultural survey of the area will be undertaken later this month (March) and once the results have been received, a report will be provided to CYC.

Cycle Racks The Parish Council have asked CYC for 3 cycle racks for the village centre. CYC are considering possible locations.

Parking The Parish Council have objected to the proposed amendment, reducing the southernmost 3 parking bays on Main Street South from 30 minute to 10 minutes between 8am and 6pm. The PC believe that one of the consequences for residents will be cars idling/cruising whilst waiting for a space in the remaining 30 min bays, creating both environmental and danger hazards to other vehicles and pedestrians.

Barclays Bank This will be closing permanently on Friday 22 May 2020.

Heslington Sportsfield



The sportsfield has had a busy winter, with thriving football clubs using the grounds every weekend. Shortly the cricket season will be upon us, and the Cricket team is keen to welcome new recruits, especially into their junior ranks. The financial situation of the grounds is now looking a little healthier, although we are still some way short of breaking even, so any gifts or offers of help would be warmly welcomed. Please drop me a line at Tom@yorkmaze.com if you can help.

Recycling bins Replacement recycling bins, lids, nets, etc. are available to help protect against wind-blown litter. See details below.

[https://www.york.gov.uk/ReplacementBins#costs.](https://www.york.gov.uk/ReplacementBins#costs)

Diamond Wood The Woodland Trust chose the 60 acre site of Kimberlow Hill on the Heslington East development as one of 60 Diamond Woods in the UK to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth.

It forms part of an initiative by the Woodland Trust to plant 6 million native trees across the UK under its Jubilee Woods project to provide a living legacy to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's reign.

As patron of the project, Princess Anne planted a ceremonial tree at the wood in September 2012 to officially declare it open. The Diamond Wood is the only one in North Yorkshire and comprises around 30,000 trees, which will form a mixed deciduous woodland, attracting a broad range of insect and bird life. As well as supporting a wide range of wildlife it should also provide an attractive amenity for the local community to enjoy.

Planning Applications The PC is able to comment on all planning applications within Heslington parish. Residents with concerns about or objections to any planning application are welcome to attend the public session to give us their views, or to make their views known in advance of meetings by contacting the Parish Clerk. Comments to CYC on behalf of residents are posted on the CYC website.

Your Parish Councillors Mrs Pauline Bramley [Chairman], Mr David Blacketer, Mr Richard Bramley, Mr John Garner, Mr Peter Hall, Ms Beverley Heap, Ms Rose Hilton, Mr Tom Pearcy, Mrs Zena Richards.

Ward Councillors Heslington South (Fulford and Heslington Ward) – Cllr Keith Aspden. Tel 01904 551916. cllr.kaspden@york.gov.uk Heslington North (Hull Road Ward) - Cllrs Michael Pavlovic, George Norman and Aisling Musson.

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Parish Website www.heslington.org.uk

Parish Council Meetings Meetings are at 7.30pm in the Village Meeting Room, normally on the third Tuesday of the month. Next meetings are, 21 April, 19 May, 16 June, 21 July, 18 August and 15 September. Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings and raise matters of concern during the public session. Items for the official agenda should be sent to the Clerk at least 8 days prior to the meeting. Agendas are posted on the notice board and website 5 days before meetings.

Useful Phone Numbers and email Addresses.

City of York Council (CYC) Main Number –	01904 551550
Respark issues -	0800 1381119
North Yorkshire Police – (antisocial behaviour, dangerous parking) - David Leach	
snayorknorth@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk Non-Emergency Number	101
Students Union Day Disturbance Hotline - 9am to 5pm, Mon – Fri	01904 323724
University Security Hotline –	01904 324444
CYC Noise Patrol - Friday and Saturday only	01904 551555
CYC Environmental and Community Officer - Cindy Benton - cindy.benton@york.gov.uk	01904 551810
York Hospital -	01904 631313
Heslington Football Club - clubwebsite.co.uk/heslingtonfc01/124960/home - John Sellers	07972075180
Fulford Football Club - Graham Souter- www.fulfordfc.co.uk/	01904 635365
Heslington Cricket Club - Simon Desborough www.heslingtoncricket.com	07799124280
Heslington Sportsfield - www.facebook.com/heslingtonsmc	
Heslington Outgang pavilion and pitches - Graham Purdy - heslingtonsmc@gmail.com	07532137690
Heslington Scout Group - Scouts, Beavers and Cubs.- Mark - www.heslingtonscoutgroup.org.uk	01904 622213
Heslington Brownies/Rainbows - Janet Owston - j_owston@yahoo.co.uk	07903859814
Village Meeting Room - www.heslingtonmeetingroom.net	01904 422130
York Wheels -	01904630080