

HESLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER No 24



Your Parish Councillors: Mrs Pauline Bramley [Chairman], Mr David Blacketer, Mr Richard Bramley, Mr Peter Hall, Lady Dorothy Lawton, Mrs Zena Richards, Ms Rose Hilton, Vacancy.

Ward Councillors:

Heslington South (Fulford and Heslington Ward) - Cllr Keith Aspden. Tel 01904 551916. cllr.kaspden@york.gov.uk

Heslington North (Hull Road Ward) - Cllr Hilary Shepherd Tel 01904 551088 cllr.hshepherd@york.gov.uk

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS Meetings are at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Meeting Room, normally on the third Tuesday of the month. Next meetings are: 16th January, 20th February, 20th March and 17th April. 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.

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES There is a vacancy for a councillor. Please apply to the Parish Clerk for further details if you are interested in joining.

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 website.

CYC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN City of York Council has now finished consulting on the pre-publication draft of the new Local Plan. All consultation comments will now be taken into account by Council officers as they finalise their draft of the Local Plan. Heslington residents as well as the HPC have submitted comments. These are largely related to the proposal to build a new garden village within Heslington parish of 3339 houses as well as developments around Low Lane from the Heslington East campus and the implications of a new access point to the A64. You can read the submission from the HPC on www.heslington.org.uk.

In a recent ministerial announcement made by the Secretary of State, York was named on a list of Local Authorities without a Local Plan and at risk of Government intervention. The Council administration has rebuffed the comments made by the secretary of state, pinpointing the delays to the Local Plan caused by the Ministry of Defence closures of two barracks. The Council is planning to present a fully formed local plan by the Government's deadline of May 2018. The draft of the Local Plan will

be presented to the Council's Executive in due course and then a final consultation will be carried out before a Planning Inspector looks at the plan. In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding the Local Plan and its progress, then your local ward Councillor, Keith Aspden, will be more than happy to take up your enquiry. Keith's email is Cllr.kaspden@york.gov.uk.

FOOD SECURITY (A FARMERS VIEW)

If the Local Plan is implemented it would mean the loss of up to 1000 acres from food production in Heslington Parish. This area includes Campus East and the proposed New Open Space. The annual loss of produce approximates to:

Potatoes 200 acres.	4000 tons
Wheat. 300acres.	900tons
Oil seed rape. 100 acres.	150 tons
Carrots 100acres.	4000 tons
Barley 300 acres.	900 tons

This figure does not include livestock production, or the grass conserved on Elvington Airfield.

HESLINGTON PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN Heslington Parish Council is drawing up a Neighbourhood Plan to establish a long-term vision for the Parish and to influence planning matters over the next 15 years. Thank you to all those who completed a recent survey as part of the work to build the evidence base. Our work is now focused on producing preliminary draft papers for the initial policy areas that have been identified. These policy areas include: Housing, Business & employment, Building design & character, Natural environment & Green infrastructure, Transport, Community facilities and Main Street and special policy considerations for the University of York. To ensure our work meets best practice and complies with relevant Planning requirements, consultant advice has been contracted. Future work will continue to refine the policies so that an initial draft plan can be presented to the full Parish Council in early 2018. Further community and stakeholder consultation will follow as the plan evolves and the drafts will all be published on the new parish website in due course. For more information contact the Parish Clerk, HeslingtonPC@outlook.com All Working Group meetings are open to the public and new Working Group members are welcome.

SPORTSFIELD REPORT The Sportsfield Management committee will next meet in January.

The main ongoing problem is raising finance for maintenance of the play equipment.

1. Repairs to the Kompan unit (Zipwire) have proved more complex than originally anticipated and instead of just costing £222, the latest quotation is £3710. The unit has been made safe but further consideration of the project will wait until the next meeting and the equipment may just remain in its current state - still usable but to a lesser degree.

2. The safety surface around the play tower is in need of total replacement. The quotation for repairing 2 small areas has not been taken up as the committee anticipated that more areas would need patching in future years and this would be both expensive and unsatisfactory as patches tend to shrink and look unsightly. The best quotation for renewing all of the safety surfacing around the play-tower with Resin Bound Mulch safety surfacing is £5688.00. The ward committee have advanced a grant of £2000.

The committee are applying to various community grant sources for the balance including Morrisons and Awards for All. To get this grant the Committee need to show that they have involved the community. We will be grateful if the Parish Council will support our application and publicise the need for ongoing support from the community. Suggestions as to other funding sources are also welcome.

GOOD NEIGHBOURS MEETING A letter of "Student Responsibility to the Community" will be sent from the University to all students in off-campus addresses in the Newland park area and in the Heslington area. It has the intention of informing all students who are moving out of Halls and looking for accommodation within the community of their responsibilities to neighbours and the general public.

The City Council is preparing new legislation to HMO licencing to ensure Owners are more helpful in sorting out problem occupants. In severe cases where there is repeated trouble from tenants, the Owners could lose their license to operate as a HMO, unless the problems are addressed. University Security on **01904 324444** will log any noise complaints from residents, but are unable to act if the incident is off campus. If noise is excessive call the police or CYC Noise Patrol.

A Resident commented that parking on Newland Park Drive was much reduced on Traffic Survey Day!

The 'Clubbers Bus' will be withdrawn from next spring term. Instead overnight buses 66 and 66a will operate. HPC were concerned that this would again cause disturbance in the early hours. A trial would also be introduced, of "security", meeting and/or travelling on the bus to remind students to be quiet when alighting.

Arrangements for students to litter pick Boss Lane. The University are putting a bin in that area and suggested HPC might like to put one on other side.

University Masterplan - Refurbishment of old Smith and Nephew Building to become Department of Social sciences, Central Hall to be refurbished, 1000 extra beds to be built on Campus East. A 'rumour' of a two-storey car park on Campus West was confirmed, but is not in current planning scheme. A resident asked if the cycle path on Field Lane could be designated for pedestrians too. The path is not wide enough for this, but many pedestrians already use it without any problems.

VILLAGE MEETING ROOM Situated off Main Street opposite the Deramore Arms behind Linden Cottage (formerly Sinclair's Property Agency).

The Meeting Room is available for hire at a reasonable charge for regular activities and for one off meetings, parties etc. Visit the website at www.heslingtonmeetingroom.net or phone **01904 422130** for further information and bookings.

THE DERAMORE ARMS REOPENING

The Pinckney family and the rest of The Deramore Arms team would like to welcome you to your pub. We will all be working hard to offer the whole community a warm and homely atmosphere where you can enjoy quality food and drink throughout the day.

We hope to gradually introduce interesting events and entertainment that will appeal to all our local people - younger & older!

We want to balance the traditional with the contemporary to reflect the historic and culturally diverse community we serve, in this beautiful semi-rural setting.

We have lots of ideas and would welcome yours too. Please let us know what you think as we develop our premium food and drink offers over the next few months.

USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS and email addresses.			
CITY OF YORK COUNCIL -	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/	01904635365
Heslington Cricket Club -	Simon Desborough		07799124280
Heslington Outgang pavilion and pitches -	Darren Hanley - sportsfield@heslington.org.uk		01904768600
Heslington Scout Group - Scouts, Beavers and Cubs. -	Mark - www.heslingtonscoutgroup.org.uk		01904 622213
Heslington Brownies/Rainbows	Janet Owston - j_owston@yahoo.co.uk		07903 859814
Village Meeting Room	- www.heslingtonmeetingroom.net	-	01904 422130