## **HESLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER - 2015 - No.16**

**Your Parish Councillors:** Mrs Pauline Bramley [Chairman], Mr Bill McClean [Vice Chairman], Mr David Blacketer, Mr Richard Bramley, Mr Chris Cadman, Mr Andrew Collingwood, Mr Peter Hall, Lady Dorothy Lawton, Mrs Zena Richards.

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<u>PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS.</u> Meetings are at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Meeting Room, normally on the third Tuesday of the month. Next meetings are: Tuesdays 21<sup>st</sup> April, 19<sup>th</sup> May [AGM at 7.00pm], 16<sup>th</sup> June, and 21st July 2015. 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.

**PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY.** The single vacancy has been filled by David Blacketer.

<u>PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS.</u> The 9 Parish Councillor positions will all come up for reelection in May. Any interested persons should apply to CYC to stand for election.

<u>PARISH PRECEPT.</u> Residents may have noticed that the parish precept portion of the council tax demand this year has increased by 4%. The PC only requested an increase of 1%. The other 3% is the result of fewer properties paying any council tax because student occupants are exempt.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** The PC is given the opportunity 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 Clerk. A number of major applications have recently come before the PC including:

**Lord Deramore's Primary School**. The PC supported the proposal to rebuild the primary school but asked that conditions be imposed to ensure that contractors and all associated vehicles should be restricted to the hours of 0800-1800 inclusive, with no working on weekends and bank holidays and no parking on local roads.

University of York application for development of a doctor's surgery, pharmacy, super-market, take-away and other commercial shops on land to the East of the Field Lane roundabout. The PC has lodged a strong objection to this application which would sit centrally in the clearly identified green buffer zone between the Heslington East campus and the Badger Hill estate.

**Land to the south of Hull road – opposite B&Q.** The PC objected and requested that further study of the impacting traffic flows be completed. They also suggested a higher density of development in order to reduce the overall land take.

HESLINGTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN. An application has been submitted to CYC requesting that the proposal to produce a Neighbourhood Plan be approved in principle. When this stage is approved CYC will contact all residents and other affected bodies asking for objections or support for the proposal within 6 weeks. The PC will be circulating a questionnaire in this period and would like as many residents as possible to respond to CYC with letters of support.

<u>CYC DRAFT LOCAL PLAN</u>. It is expected that a new proposal for a Local Plan will be proposed by CYC after the elections.

<u>HESLINGTON WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW.</u> PC objections to the Boundary Commission review have been unsuccessful. The parish remains as before but the ward representation will be split so that properties from Halifax College through Holmfield to Hesketh Almshouses will be part of the Hull Road ward represented by 3 ward councillors. The rest of the parish will be represented by the new Fulford and Heslington Ward councillor. This may be reviewed again in a few years.

<u>UNIVERSITY ROAD AND CYCLE PATH.</u> The cycle path is now complete but unfortunately many cyclists are still using the main carriageway. Your PC is pressing for signs on the surface of the cycle path to encourage cycle use and so that pedestrians know they are sharing it.

**HESLINGTON LANE PARKING ISSUES.** Following a petition with 500 signatures, officers are preparing a report on the problem as part of the next batch of parking restrictions in April.

<u>PARKING OF UNIVERSITY CONTRACTOR VEHICLES.</u> The PC has raised concerns with the University regarding the number of commercial vehicles and cars parked all day on The Outgang parking area. Discussions are on-going.

<u>OUTGANG CAR PARK.</u> The Sportsfield are arranging for the resurfacing and tidying up of this area during April or May. It will be necessary to close the area to vehicles and pedestrians for about 3 days. Signs will be erected. Funding for this has been supplemented by contributions from the PC, Halifax Estates and the University of York.

<u>OUTGANG SPORTSFIELD.</u> The Management Committee are grateful to the University of York for allowing their grounds staff to take over the regular maintenance of the field at an acceptable charge which has enabled the committee to progress its 5 year management plan. The committee are also planning an extension to the children's play area and fund raising is currently being undertaken. All suggestions on sources of funding are welcome.

<u>HESLINGTON VILLAGE SIGNS.</u> New "Heslington Village" signs have been proposed for 3 approach roads to the village to help visitors identify our lovely village. The PC support the proposal and Niall McTurk of Sinclair Properties is organising the fund raising for the project.

<u>HESLINGTON VILLAGE MEETING ROOM.</u> The Meeting Room is available for hire at a modest cost. Residents and others are encouraged to consider using it for regular or ad hoc events such as parties. See the website for details. <u>www.heslington.org.uk</u>

USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS and email addresses.		
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Students Union Day Disturbance Hotline -		01904 433724
UNIVERSITY SECURITY HOTLINE –		0800 433333
CYC NOISE CONTROL		01904 551555
CYC Smarter York Officer - <u>suzanne.prance@york.gov.uk</u> -		01904 553101
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Fulford Football Club – Graham Souter - graham@pressgreen.com - 01904 635365 or 07769 901914		
Civil Service Association Cricket Club – Jon Winfield –		01904 448796
Heslington Scout Group - Andrew Eccles – www.heslingtonscoutgroup.org.uk		01904 413626
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