

**HESLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD REMOTELY  
ON TUESDAY 18 AUGUST 2020 AT 7.30PM**

**Councillors Present:** David Blacketer (DB) Pauline Bramley (PB)  
Richard Bramley (RB) John Garner (JG)  
Peter Hall (PH) Bev Heap (BH)  
Rose Hilton (RH)

**In Attendance:** Fiona Hill (FH) - Parish Clerk

**Public Present:** 0

**20/17 To accept apologies for absence:** Tom Percy (TP) and Zena Richards (ZR)

**20/18 To record declarations of interest in items on the agenda:**

DB, 20/01308/FUL, Neighbour

RH, Campaign for cycle track, Landowner

**20/19 To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21 July 2020:**

These minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman

**20/20 To discuss matters arising from previous minutes:**

- Memorial benches and plaque applications

One application received, which had been circulated around the parish council and after checking by the Chairman/Clerk would be processed.

One expression of interest had been received. The Parish Council would accept in principle, but could not pre-approve. When the bequest is made, the application could be submitted.

**20/21 To report and make relevant recommendations on new planning applications:**

- 20/01206/FUL - Siting of 2no. external tanks for the storage of liquid and gaseous nitrogen with surrounded brick enclosure @ Biology Department, University Of York

Resolved – The Parish Council would submit a response as follows: Support, subject to all necessary health and safety requirements being met. (Unanimous) -

20/01270/OUT – Variation of condition 1 of permitted application 15/02923/OUT to substitute the building heights plan with a more up to date plan @ Proposed University Campus Lying Between Field Lane And Low Lane A64 Trunk Road And Hull Road

Resolved – The Parish Council would submit a response as follows: Objection, this is an over-powering design for the landscape (5 votes in favour, 1 against)

- 20/01308/FUL - First floor side extension and single storey side extension – resubmission @ 5 Bateson Close

Resolved – The Parish Council would submit a response as follows: Objection, for the reasons as follows: (Unanimous)

- Concerns raised previously regarding overlooking have not been addressed
- The redesign represents an overdevelopment on such a small property
- The neighbours' amenity/privacy is affected, so windows should be either frosted or moved.

- 20/01317/TPO - Crown reduce by 30%; crown lift by 3m Sycamore protected by Tree Preservation Order no. 7/1986 @ 18 Walnut Close

Chairman's Signature .....

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Resolved – The Parish Council would submit a response as follows: Neutral, No objections, subject to approval by the City of York Council Tree Officer (Unanimous)

- 20/01318/TPO - Various tree works including the felling of 4no. trees protected by Tree Preservation Order no. 15/1986 @ University Of York

Resolved – The Parish Council would submit a response as follows: Neutral, No objections, subject to approval by the City of York Council Tree Officer (Unanimous)

**20/22 To note planning decisions by City of York Council: None**

**20/23 To note bookkeeping records for year ending 31 March 2021 to date**

The Parish Council noted receipt of the bookkeeping spreadsheet

**20/24 To adopt policies as follows:**

- Business Continuity Plan

Resolved – The Parish Council adopted this plan. This was ongoing document and the Chairman/Clerk would continue to keep it up to date.

**20/25 To discuss correspondence received by the council**

Proposed Traffic Regulation Order Fulford & Heslington – The Parish Council noted that CYC had rejected any further changes to the present traffic regulations on main Street.

**20/26 To receive matters raised by members**

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- Campaign for cycle track Wheldrake to York via Wheldrake Wood, Langwith Stray and into Long Lane etc

20/26 Resolved – The Parish Council would email City of York Councillor Keith Aspden to advise that this matter had been discussed and there were concerns that recent publicity implied there had been a consultation exercise, but this had not happened. The newly suggested route from Wheldrake has not been discussed with the Parish Council prior to publicising in the press, which is disappointing. The Ward Councillor does not appear to be representing views which the Parish Council, on residents behalf, has documented in detail in their response to the draft Local Plan suggestion of a cycleway along Long Lane to Heslington. The same arguments, including safety concerns, are relevant to the length of Langwith Lane. In addition

- There is not a current right of way on the route suggested, and there are several landowners involved.

- Langwith Stray, Long Lane and Common Lane (referred to as Langwith Lane) are unsuitable as cycle paths due to their ongoing mixed use for Heslington residents. There is insufficient width for farm vehicles to pass a cycle, and for much of their length there is insufficient space for a single car and a cycle to pass safely. Raised verges concealing hidden drainage channels make it difficult for motorists, cyclists and horse riders to get out of the way and move off the road.

The double bends on Common Lane make it impossible for cyclists to be seen or to see oncoming vehicles.

The Parish does support healthy lifestyles and sustainable routes, but would point out that there are already two cycle routes between Heslington and Wheldrake.

Chairman's Signature .....

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- Article 4 (2) Direction

Nick Allen emailed “on the 21st August, the Local Plan Working Group will hold a meeting and the Heslington A4 Direction is on the agenda. Edward Freedman, the conservation officer has suggested I address the meeting, and I assume the PC would support this”

Resolved – The Parish Council decided to nominate Cllr Blacketer to speak on its behalf.

“Heslington Parish Council supports the proposal for the preparation of an Article 4 Direction for Main Street, Heslington to ensure that the distinctive character and appearance of the village area is preserved and enhanced. HPC will, of course, be guided by the outcome of the statutory consultation with all interested parties including affected householders before the directive is confirmed.”

**20/27 To receive report from representative(s) of Good Neighbours Forum**

The Parish Council noted receipt of the draft minutes. Cllr Hall was thanked for meeting notes.

**20/28 To confirm the details of the next meeting -**

RESOLVED – The Parish Council will next meet on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020

The Chairman reported as follows:

**Lengthsman** - Return to work – He has returned to work: risk assessment and “return to work” conditions are agreed to and in place.

**Overgrown Hedge/Tally Alley** – Cllr Garner had spoken to the pub landlord and their gardener would cut the hedge after the bird nesting season.

**Neighbourhood Plan** – The examiners notes, which noted the possible risks if delayed, along with the proposed draft response from the working group would be circulated around Councillors. This would be on the agenda of the September 2020 meeting, so Councillors discuss the way forward.

**Recycle Bin/Sportsfield** – City of York Council would not provide this and suggested that the Parish Council provide it and arrange collection. The Parish Council would monitor this.

**Sportsfield Outgang sign/Broken** – This had been reported to the committee

**Graffiti** – Incidents have been reported to the police.

Chairman’s Signature .....

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### To Do List

Memorial Benches	Plaque Applications	PB/FH
20/01206/FUL	Submit Response	FH
20/01270/OUT	Submit Response	FH
20/01308/FUL	Submit Response	FH
20/01317/TPO	Submit Response	FH
20/01318/TPO	Submit Response	FH
Campaign for cycle track	Write to Cllr K Aspden	FH
Business Continuity Plan	Add relevant details	FH

Chairman's Signature .....

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