HESLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM ON TUESDAY 17 MAY 2022 AT 7.00 P.M.

Present:

Mr D Blacketer, Mrs P Bramley, Mr R Bramley, Mr J Garner, Mr P Hall, Mrs R Hilton and Mrs Zena Richards

In attendance:

Fiona Hill - Parish Clerk

APM2022/1 Apologies

Ms B Heap and Mr T Pearcy

APM2022/2 Minutes of the APM 2021

Chairman's Signature

Resolved – Approved (Unanimous)

APM2022/3 Annual Report

Last year's Annual Parish Meeting was held on Zoom. Thankfully, this year we are back to face to face meetings.

We always welcome residents to come along to Parish Council meetings. Agendas, minutes and other useful information can be found on the Parish website/ noticeboard. The quarterly newsletter also provides information. Our thanks to Cllr Hall for editing.

On behalf of the village, the Parish Council were very pleased to give a grant towards the Christmas Tree and a further grant to the Big Jubilee Lunch on Sunday 5th June – an opportunity to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and say our thanks to HM Queen Elizabeth II for her lifetime of service. The Lunch is open to all residents and will be a wonderful opportunity for a "get together." Our thanks to all those all are working hard, organising the event.

The Parish Council have put a further sum aside to commemorate this unique and special occasion Ideas are being investigated; one is for two planters, one either side of the new benches to add a colourful display on Main Street.

After many years and persistence, the improvement to the footpath opposite Heslington Hall has finally received the go ahead. Work will be carried out allowing improved access for wheelchairs and prams alongside the bus stops.

We are very pleased to have received a grant from the Ward Committee for improving access to the Meeting Room. The proposal is to widen the path to improve disable access whilst allowing vehicular access to remain the same. When the necessary protocol has been followed, CYC, who will be responsible for the work, will liaise with the Parish Council to produce a suitable and sensitive plan. Prior to work starting, it will be a Parish Council agenda item; residents are welcome to come along, see the plans and comment.

It is good to see the excellent refurbishment of the Meeting Room and that bookings continue to increase. Many thanks to the Committee for all their hard work.

In February we welcomed our new Lengthsperson, Michael Harter. I know many of you have seen him around; he is very touched with the warm welcome he receives from residents. We are very lucky to have him. From the number of positive comments we have received he is doing a great job.

As always I convey my thanks to all Parish Councillors and of course our very knowledgeable and diligent clerk, Fiona.

Our thanks to our Ward Councillor, Cllr Keith Aspden for his support throughout the year. On behalf of fellow Councillors, I take this opportunity to thank the volunteers in various spheres for their efforts on behalf of the village this year, and for making this the special village that is Heslington! Finally, thank you residents for your encouragement and support.

Date

APM2022/4	Representations/Reports by: Meeting Room – Report Attached
APM2021/5	Parishioners question and answer session: None.