

HESLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM

TUESDAY 24 APRIL 2023 AT 7.30PM

Councillors Present: David Blacketer Pauline Bramley
Bev Heap Rose Hilton
Tom Percy Zena Richards

In Attendance: Fiona Hill – Parish Clerk

Public Present: 0

Public session matters raised:

- A parishioner had emailed that he was disappointed with the Parish Council's response to installing bollards on the grass verge parking outside the lodge
Resolved / (Unanimous) The Parish Council would write to The Lodge expressing disappointment at the state of the roadside verge outside their premises that is a direct result of parking by delivery vehicles and resident's visitors. To ask if they would be so kind to reinstate the verge to a good condition and to display notices requesting that vehicles do not park on the verge.

22/123 a) To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting:

Cllrs Richard Bramley, John Garner and Peter Hall

b) To consider the approval of reasons given for absence:

Resolved / Approved (Unanimous)

22/124 To record declarations of interest in items on the agenda:

Cllr Percy - Footpath

22/125 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 21 March 2023:

Resolved / Approved (Unanimous)

22/126 To discuss matters arising from previous minutes:

- HMO - the clerk was asked to write to CYC and request that as "the information is quite vast. Is it possible to have a list of HMOs within the YO10 5 postcode?"

- Safer Crossing by the Outgang- Cllrs Blacketer, P Bramley and R Bramley had met on site with T/PS 452 Dan Stubbs, Neighbourhood Policing Sergeant, NPT York Outer and he had emailed a follow up as follows:

"Good afternoon all,

Though it was disappointing that today did not go ahead as planned, these things happen and it would be great if we can still provide the service to the local parish council and their residents. I met with three members of the parish council, who outlined their concerns for the safety of pedestrians around the junction of COMMON LANE and the OUTGANG, HESLINGTON.

The primary concern is that pedestrians feel vulnerable crossing the road. As pedestrians (mostly families and young children) leave the playpark and walk back towards Heslington, they must navigate the junction which has no pedestrian facilities. Due to the layout of the bend towards HESLINGTON village, there is a limited view of potential oncoming traffic leading to

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them crossing the road without a safe view of oncoming traffic. For drivers approaching the park from the HESLINGTON side, you would not have much time to react to pedestrians in the road (that you cannot see crossing in advance), and in poor weather you may not be able to stop in time. There is also a concern of vehicles pulling straight out of the OUTGANG without looking right properly, as a minor dead-end road it is disregarded, and people do not check properly. From the HESLINGTON side, there is a (20) MPH repeater on the mini roundabout, then no further indication of speed limit until you reach a national on common lane shortly after the park. From COMMON LANE side, you leave the national into a (30) MPH zone, until you hit the repeater at the mini roundabout. So you have two different speed limits in two different directions.

There is a (STOP) sign as you leave the OUTGANG towards common lane, however this is not on the junction it is several car lengths before the junction, and the junction itself has give way lines, not stop.

A potential suggestion would be a pavement on the west side of the highway, in the short section between the OUTGANG and the farm track. This would provide pedestrians a safe way to move up the highway, to then cross in a position of safety with clear views to either side. It would also be worthwhile clarifying and posting the speed limit, and considering the location of the stop sign and a stop line to compliment it.

My observations from today are that I would not feel particularly safe crossing the road out of the OUTGANG with my children, so I believe their point is valid and requires appropriate action. Please can you take the necessary next steps for this to be reviewed, I am happy to come and visit the location with you another time, or the parish council have offered to do the same again".
- Meeting Room - Work on concrete slab completed. May need to buy replacement stronger chain and padlock for barrow. No response from CYC re purchase of bike stand.
York access control barrier review - The Parish Council will keep a watching brief on this matter and will follow up in the future.

22/127 To receive updates on long-standing matters:

- Active Travel Routes through Heslington Parish - No update

22/128 To discuss Meeting Room roof condition assessment:

Cllrs Blacketer and Garner had circulated an email with information and photographs detailing the issues. Cllrs Blacketer and Garner would request survey quotes for works.

22/129 To receive report from Ward Councillor: NTR

22/130 To receive updates on the Neighbourhood Plan:

The Parish Council had met with Mike Dando on 18 April 2023 and the summary of the meeting was:

Consultant

-Try to address formatting issues with other Directions staff

-Check on authorship of Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitat Regulations Assessment Screening Report

-Review HES 10 (Housing in Multiple Occupation) and interpretation in light of new HMO licensing arrangements

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-Talk to CYC (John Roberts) re amending of Policies Map

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- Update Section 2 re development of Neighbourhood Plan – suggest provide new wording to consultant for insertion
 - Update Section 8 (Business Employment & Local Facilities) where felt to be out of date - suggest provide new wording to consultant for insertion
 - Add new community actions re street furniture etc as suggested - suggest provide new wording to consultant for insertion
- The Parish Council agreed next steps and allocated tasks.

22/131 To receive updates on the City of York Council Local Plan: None

22/132 To report and make relevant recommendations on new planning applications:

- 23/00506/FULM - Erection of a five storey building with associated landscaping and enabling works, including works to the library footbridge following demolition of 3no. buildings and partial demolition of footbridge @ University Of York
- 23/00507/LBC - Internal and external alterations including erection of a five storey building with associated landscaping enabling works, including works to the library footbridge, following demolition of 3no. buildings and partial demolition of footbridge @ University Of York

Resolved / Objection (Unanimous)

“We have discussed at previous Council meetings residents' concerns that:

- University Road fails to provide off-carriageway cycling routes that are either physically segregated from pedestrian facilities or provide a common surface that may be shared safely.
- Additionally, the absence of bus lay-bys, on a road where there are very frequent bus schedules, results in unnecessary queuing and the inherent risks of unsafe overtaking or excessive air pollution.

Requests to the University and City of York Council that provision of a road scheme and infrastructure (on University Road) that is accessible to all and meets the needs of vulnerable pedestrians and local people have met with little or no response.

The proposal to build a new Student Centre is designed to increase pedestrian, cycling and vehicular flows onto University Road.

No satisfactory traffic and access plans have been brought forward within the proposed development to resolve the current conflicts between users.

The proposal disregards the Council's own ambitions to promote plans for the delivery of cycling, walking and wheeling interventions that will maximise the uptake of active travel. Government guidance for cycling provision (LTN1 /20) has been ignored.

Until comprehensive plans to address pedestrian routes, segregated cycleways and management of vehicular flows in both directions on University Road are brought forward and fully integrated into the new design master plan for the University, the application should be rejected.

Loss of parking - Any application in future should identify specifically replacement car parking which will be on campus west.

In addition, the provision of loading bays and bus laybys should be included”.

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22/133 To note planning decisions received: To update next month

22/134 To discuss financial matters:

- Bookkeeping for current year to date/Internal Control Checks
Parish Councillors had received a bank reconciliation totalling £66697.40, along with linked Income & Expenditure reports.

- Payment Approval:

Parish Clerk	Salary	Bacs	£
Lengthsman	Salary	Bacs	£
Heslington Village Trust	Grant	1951	£1100.00
YLCA	Subscription	1952	£220.00
Outside/In Craftsmen	Concrete Base	1953	£1120.00
Parish Clerk	Home Working Allowance	1954	£66.46

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Insurance – Received a quote from Zurich.

Resolved To request a second quote for comparison from another provider.

22/135 To discuss correspondence received by the council:

- North Yorkshire Police Monthly Report – Circulated to Cllrs

- The Planning Inspectorate, Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 – Section 53, Order Making Authority: City of York Council, Title of Order: Public Footpath Heslington 15 Modification Order 2021

Resolved / The Parish Council would respond as follows: (Unanimous) -

“The Parish Council does not intend to submit any further evidence. The Parish Council will not be pursuing a case”.

22/136 To receive matters raised by members:

- University of York – Antisocial Behaviour

Lengthsman had met with University Estates staff and walked the village worst litter areas. University have agreed to provide and service a bin at Bede House bus stop. The University will do an early morning litter pick in the worst areas.

22/137 To confirm the details of the future meetings:

2023 –16May, 20Jun, 18Jul, 15Aug, 19Sep, 17Oct, 21Nov, 19Dec

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Type of Incident	Time and Location.	Heslington Report made and action taken by NYP
ASB- Nuisance	Kimberlow Lane 27/3	Banned female has got on bus and is refusing to leave. Police attend and take female home
ASB- Personal		
Burglary	Lime Tree Farm 19/3	Door pane and window smashed to enter property, things have been moved around. Not sure if anything taken
Drugs		
Vehicle		
Theft	Alcuin College 7/3	Theft of electric bicycle from bike racks. Lock cut and left at scene
	Wentworth College 16/3	Theft of bicycle from bike racks. Lock also taken
	Alcuin College 19/3	Theft of unlocked bicycle from bike racks
	University 20/3	Theft of bicycle from bike racks. Lock left behind
	Constantine College 22/3	Theft of bicycle from bike racks. Lock also taken
	York Sports Village 27/3	Theft of bicycle from bike shed. Lock left behind
	University 30/3	Theft of bicycle from bike racks.
Violence		
Criminal Damage		

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