

Escrick Parish Council

Minutes of Escrick Parish Council meeting held in Escrick & Deighton Club at 7pm on MONDAY 9th JANUARY 2023.

23001: **Welcome: Chair welcomed councillors and members of the public to the meeting.**

23002: **Co-option of new councillors:** No candidates present. To carry over to the next meeting.

23003: **Apologies/Attendance:**

- a. Present: Cllr M Allen, Cllr S Allen, Cllr Chambers (Chair), Cllr Cunningham, Cllr Fairbairn, Cllr Hawes, Cllr King, Cllr Tipples. Members of the public. Clerk; S Look. District Cllr N Reader (present for 22279).
- b. Apologies: Cllr Hopkinson and County Cllr J Cattanach.

23004: **Declarations of Interests:** None.

23005: **Public correspondence received:**

- a. Report received from a member of the public that the island bollards and standard in the middle of the A19 adjacent by Carr Lane are not working and pose a danger as they cannot be seen until almost on top of them. Clerk has reported this to NYCC.
- b. Correspondence regarding planning application for consent to fell 3 No Pine trees (T2, T9 & T12) in the conservation area on Carr Lane.
- c. Complaint about the installation of overhead telegraph poles and cables by Factco.

23006: **Update from a representative from Factco on the installation of full fibre network build in the village.**

- a. Representatives from Factco attended the meeting to explain to parishioners the complexities and challenges they face with the installation of a full fibre network to the village. The meeting was opened up to the public to ask questions. Concerns were raised about the proposed installation of poles and overhead cables on Wenlock Drive and Main Street. Unfortunately, there is not adequate existing underground duct work on Wenlock Drive to utilise. The project has now been put on hold until a redesign is considered and the timescale for this is unknown. It was also explained that, unlike Wheldrake and Elvington, there is no government funding available for the project.

23007: **Public session:**

- a. No further comments.

23008: **Updates from other authorities:**

- a. District Cllr Reader reported that Liz Casling has been made an Honorary Alderwomen.
- b. County Councillor Cattanach not present.

Cllr Reader left the meeting.

23009: **Minutes:**

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the Parish Council monthly meeting held on 5th December 2022.

Finance and Governance

23010: **Finance report:**

- a. Account balances and reconciliation:

		Community account	BMM account
i.	Account balances as at 29 th November 2022:	£7303.02	£26,965.85
ii.	Payments made since last meeting:		
	S Look – Clerks Nov expenses	-£18.00	
	S Look – Clerks Nov salary	-£	
iii.	Payments made since last meeting under clerks delegated powers:		
	Escrick Park Estate – Playing Fields rent	-£10.00	
	S Look – Clerks Dec salary	-£	
	HMRC – clerks salary	-£41.00	
	Unity Trust Bank – Quarterly service charge	-£18.00	
iv.	Receipts:		
	Unity Trust Bank - Credit interest		£87.40
v.	Account balances as at 3 rd January 2023:	£6185.50	£27,053.25
vi.	Uncleared previously authorised payments:		
	Nil		

b. Routine payments to be made:

viii.	S Look – Clerks Dec expenses	-£18.00
	Autela Payroll Services – Oct to December	-£66.27

c. Purchases / exceptional payments to be approved and made:

ix.	Nil	
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Highways

23011: Highways: Skipwith Road:

- a. The Village Gateway Scheme has still not progressed. To note the initial request was made to NYCC in December 2020.

23012: Streetlights:

- a. Councillors are still awaiting answers on some of the queries raised with NYCC road lighting team about switching some of the village streetlights to part night from all night lights to save on rising energy costs. Concerns were raised about if the energy cost savings would outweigh the set up costs and how long it would take to see the benefit financially.

Maintenance

23013: Maintenance issues:

- a. Update was given by Cllr Chambers on maintenance issues. A member of the public has raised with the PC that path sweeping is required in several areas of the village (i.e. the path to gassy woods, the path between Carrs Meadow/Main St, the area around the Coronation Memorial, the path to the playground, the pavements on the A19 from the bus shelters to Post Office Row, Carr Lane from the Coronation Memorial towards the A19). It was agreed that generally the PC do not sweep paths in front of residential properties, preferring residents to take responsibility for their own areas. The path to the school will be left until agreement has been made with the school who will take responsibility for this area. Councillors agreed to volunteer to sweep some other areas at a convenient time in the coming weeks.
- b. Village grit bins do not require filling at present. Richard Rowson has volunteered to take over responsibility for filling them when required. It was noted that the grit bin near Escrick Park Gardens is

the responsibility of NYCC. Councillors noted thanks to Mr Rowson for volunteering to take over this responsibility.

Playing Field / Play Area

23014: **Playing field update:**

- a. No new maintenance issues in the play area reported. Equipment will need re-painting at some point but is not decaying.

Planning

23015: **Planning, new applications:**

- a. 2022/1347/HPA. 3 Escrick Court, Escrick. Erection of first floor extension over existing porch and proposed single storey rear extension. No objections.
- b. 2022/1413/TCA. Land at Carr Lane, Escrick. Application for consent to fell 3No Pine trees (T2, T9 & T12) in the conservation area. For information only.

23016: **Planning ongoing:**

- a. 2019/1311/HPA, 32 Wenlock Drive. Planning enforcement issue regarding installed balcony. This has been referred to a Planning Enforcement Officer who will investigate it.
- b. 2021/1375/HPA. Grove House, Skipwith Road, Escrick. Placement of gas tank in garden (retrospective). Permission refused by SDC.
- c. 2022/0357/TCA. Hellings House, 73 Main Street, Escrick. Application for consent to crown reduce 2No Beech trees (T1 & T2) by 33% and crown thin 1No Fir tree (T3) by 10 - 30% in the conservation area. No further update.
- d. Escrick Conservation Review. No further update.
- e. 2022/1280/FUL. Black Bull, 91 Main Street, Escrick. Conversion of existing public house with landlords accommodation and lettable rooms to 3 No dwellings with parking to rear. The PC objection has been submitted to SDC. Awaiting decision.

23017: **Planning determinations:**

- a. 1/1375/HPA. Grove House, Skipwith Road, Escrick. Placement of gas tank in garden (retrospective). REFUSED. (As above).
- b. 2022/1211/TPO. Application for consent to lateral prune/reduce the canopy to approximately 1.5m from the existing wooden boundary fence and crown clean by removing deadwood, diseased and dysfunctional material over 0.03m diameter to 4No Lime trees (TG1) covered by TPO 18/2022 in the conservation area. PERMISSION GRANTED.

23018: **Planning working group:**

- a. Nothing further to report. New member/s to be elected at the Annual meeting.

23019: **Selby Local Plan and Heronby proposal:**

- a. Selby District Council are due to vote on the next stage of this matter Tuesday 21st February 2023. No further update at this stage.

23020: **Planning, Neighbourhood Plan:**

- a. Escrick Neighbourhood Plan has been officially adopted by SDC.
- b. Resolved to accept the printing costs of £40 for two bound book copies of the NDP.

Other items

23021: **Village shop and pop-up Post Office:**

- a. Funding has now been received from Cllr Cattanach for the Village Shop project. The new meter box has been installed in the club. The project has now been handed over to representatives from the shop and the club to manage. Remaining funds to be transferred from the PC when required.
- b. No further progress on the proposed pop-up post office. Cllr Cunningham to follow up.

23022: **Jubilee Garden/ Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Initiative:**

- a. Update from the Jubilee Garden committee is that their bank account could take 12 weeks to set up. Delay has been due to length of time it took to get charitable status sorted.
- b. To resolve actions regarding the funding received to date from the Community Funding from Neil Reader at the February Parish Council meeting. Deadline given of 31st Jan 2023.

23023: **Installation of full fibre optic networks in the village:**

- a. Councillors considered the installation of the infrastructure by Factco. It was agreed to send an email to Factco outlining the Parish Councils expectations. The Parish Council are in favour of the infrastructure coming to the village but have concerns regarding the installation of poles and overhead cables in Wenlock drive and Main Street. To request that Factco hold an open evening/event for the community in the Village Hall to outline their proposals and services on offer. The PC will help facilitate this.

23024: **Correspondence received:**

- a. YLCA; White Rose Updates and general correspondence noted.
- b. YLCA Law and Governance update.
- c. Civility and Respect roles and responsibilities.
- d. Letter from Factco with an installation update.
- e. NYCC briefing note.

23025: **Comments from public present on agenda items:**

- a. A member of the public asked if there would be an option as a last resort for the residents of Wenlock Drive to self-fund the installation of underground cables rather than have poles installed.

23026: **Items for the next meeting:**

- a. Noted the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 5th February 2023.

Meeting closed at 20.45hrs

Signed: Cllr T Chambers

Chair, Escrick Parish Council

Date: 6th February 2023