

ESCRICK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ESCRICK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 7.30PM IN ESCRICK VILLAGE CLUB ON MONDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2016

Chairman: Cllr R Rowson

Clerk/RFO: Mrs H Guest, 40 Linden Way, Thorpe Willoughby, YO8 9ND

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Part 1

16167: Apologies/Attendance:

- a. No apologies received.
- b. Present: Cllrs Rowson, Cunningham, Luscombe, Lamont, Councell, Morley-Jones, Forster, Coulson, County/District Cllr Casling, the Clerk and 4 members of the public.
- c. All present were requested to sign the Attendance book.

16168: Interests: Chair reminded members to make any declarations of interest in any agenda items. Cllr Luscombe declared an interest in planning item no 16173,b.

16169: Welcome: Chair welcomed councillors, clerk and visitors to the meeting.

16170: Minutes

- a. It was resolved to accept Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7th November 2016 and the Finance and Admin Meeting held on 28th November 2016.
- b. Chairman signed the minutes as a true record.

16171: Council received comments on agenda items or other questions/comments from electors present - No comments.

At Chairman's discretion, item 16175 - Co-option of Councillors - was brought forward to this point. It was resolved to co-opt three residents onto the Parish Council - Mervyn Casling, Tudor Rees and Kevin Moran. All signed Acceptance of Office forms and to submit Register of Interests forms to Clerk within 28 days. All three Councillors were welcomed onto the Council.

16172: Reports were received, for information only, from:

a) County Councillor: Cllr Casling advised the Council that the Chancellors autumn statement will impact upon NYCC. There are cost pressures in terms of provision of adult social care and those services not ring-fenced, such as Highways will be impacted as a result. The Clerk advised Cllr Casling that a issues have been raised by residents regarding their submission of 95 Alive forms regarding speeding, where the confirmation letter received back says that no more forms need to be submitted from the same area - She is to look into this. Cllr Casling has also complained to Highways regarding the state of the road near the Escrick Business park. The issue previously discussed regarding the replacement of metal cats eyes was raised: Cllr Casling asked that issues are sent to her via email, rather than by letter and she will raise them as necessary. The Minerals and Waste Plan comments to be passed to her by the Clerk so that she is able to make representations.

b) District Councillor: Cllr Casling reported that she would be attending a Planning Budget presentation. She said that the York Local Plan was being written up and that the area around the York Road Garage was a possible area for development in the village.

Cllr Casling left the meeting at 7.40pm

c) Police - None.

16173: Planning: The following actions were resolved:

1. Applications:

a. 2016/1320/HPA: Single storey extension, new outbuildings including a new greenhouse and summer house and internal alterations at Glebe Cottage, York Road, Escrick. Response delegated to Planning Working Group to pass to Clerk.

b. 2016/1375/HPA: Erection of conservatory at 2 Farriers Close, Escrick. Response delegated to Planning Working Group to pass to Clerk.

c. 2016/2139/TCNOT: Removal of public payphone outside telephone exchange, York Road, Deighton. This application was passed to Escrick PC from Deighton PC and discussed at the November meeting, where no objections were forthcoming - this response was passed to Deighton PC which sent a response of 'no objections' as a result. Noted that City of York Council Planning have now included Escrick PC in the consultation, since the telephone is located within Escrick village boundary. Resolved no further comments.

2. Decisions: None.

3. Consultations:

a. Minerals and Waste Joint Plan: This item delegated to the Planning Working Group for comments to pass to the Clerk. It was discussed that strong representations should be made about the area behind the Escrick Business Park (old Brickworks). Comments were put forward about this in February 2016 and these should be included with the current submission. To request that the size of the site is reduced, there will be implications for traffic and the area includes a green field site. There were discussions about what constituted 'inert' waste and the presence of aquifers. Cllr Coulson requested Cllrs to send their comments to her for inclusion in the submission. It was also noted that the North Selby Mine planning application expires in April 2017 - this information to be put onto the website and the village facebook site to make people aware of the consultation and include in reply to be drafted by Cllr Coulson. Further discussions informed that in the York Local Plan, the area to the north east of Escrick along the Mine Road is now not an allocated site as there is enough allocation already - this should not therefore affect Escrick village.

16174: RFO reported on closing balances and recent payments.

a) **Account balances**

1. Current account balance as at 5th December 2016	£2,238.29
2. Savings account balance as at 5th December 2016	£13,332.01

b) **Payments made since last meeting under Clerk's delegated powers**

None.

c) **Payments to be made**

1. Escrick & Deighton VHC (hall hire 28/11/16)	£10.75
2. CH Guest (salary - Nov)	£318.40

d) **Receipts:** None.

e) **Internet Banking:** It was noted that the Clerk has now received internet banking authorisation (note the up to date bank balances which differ from the balances received on the paper statements and which were published on the agenda).

f) **Budget:** The budget requirements for 2016/17 were discussed. Cllr Morley-Jones reported on results of questionnaire responses and Cllr Rowson advised on discussions held

at Finance and Admin Committee meeting. He suggested that two new street lights should be purchased each year (up to about 6 lights) at a cost of £2,500 for both; a bus subsidy was discussed, but this is looking unlikely due to routing/timing issues; the employment of a Lengthsman to keep the village tidy was also considered - Cllr Morley-Jones to organise a twice-yearly village clean up by volunteers in the first instance. It was resolved to request a precept of £18,000 inclusive of the CTS grant of £202.16. *Note that under delegated powers, the Clerk will revisit this decision at the next meeting in light of further information received following the meeting.*

g) **Grass cutting payment from NYCC:** Noted that the Clerk has invoiced NYCC for the 2016 grass cutting payment of £270.00 + VAT = £324.79.

h) **PFA Roundabout safety maintenance:** Quotes received discussed in Confidential session of meeting.

16175: Co-option of Councillors: This item moved up to follow item no 16171.

16176: Academy status for School: Cllr Morley-Jones reported on attendance at consultation meeting. She advised that it was a very positive meeting; Escrick school were adamant that they wanted to keep the current school culture; it was believed that it would be better to join the Academy Trust of choice, than be forced to join a different one at a later date; there were no guarantees regarding which senior school children would be fed into, but it was believed that it would be odd if children were sent to schools elsewhere in the District. Noted.

16177: A19 speeding issues: It was noted that a letter has been sent to Highways to request further information as a result of their response that the A19 through Escrick did not qualify for speed reduction measures. Response awaited

16178: Community Speed Watch: Cllr Rowson reported on progress to date. He thanked Cllr Forster for meeting with a reporter from the Selby Times to speak about Community Speed Watch. Cllr Rowson has had a meeting about the Community Speed Watch and training is to be organised in January. Noted.

16179: Highways issues: To resolve any action on issues raised: None.

16180: Correspondence received was noted:

- a. News items received by email forwarded to Councillors.
- b. Eastern CEF workshop on eye health - poster for notice board.
- c. Survey on dependent carers allowance for local councillors.
- b. Various advertisement received.

16181: Letters/Emails Sent or Action Taken Since Last Meeting: nothing additional.

16182: Minor Items – Cllr Rowson reported that the Playing Fields Association Chairman is now Simon Hunt, there are two new trustees and the 10k run preparations are ongoing.

16183: Comments from public present on agenda items (noted that no new items may be brought to the Council at this point in the meeting).

1. Can the survey results be published - Cllr Rowson is to put these onto the website.
2. Deadline for Academy status for Schools - this has been put back, but will still happen.
3. Does the Academy process affect grammar school - unknown.

16184: Items for the next agenda - None.

16185: Dates of future meetings were noted (all meetings are to be held on Monday evenings at 7.30pm (with the exception of 8th May 2017 meeting) at Escrick Club:

2017 – 9th January, 6th February, 6th March, 3rd April, 8th May (APM & ACM).

9.10pm: Closure of Part 1 meeting.

Part 2

16186: Confidential business: It was resolved to exclude Public and Press on the grounds that matters for discussion affect individual staff members/ procedures/ legal/ finance issues.

16187: Minutes (Part 2)

- a. It was resolved to accept Minutes of last Part 2 meeting.
- b. Chairman signed minutes as a true record.

16188: Legal items.

16189: Quotes for roundabout repair - It was resolved to accept a quote for £700 for the necessary work: EPFA to liaise with the contractors regarding access, etc.

9.35pm: Closure of Part 2 meeting.

Signed **Cllr R Rowson**

Chairman, Escrick Parish Council

Date : 9th January 2017