

MINUTES OF MEETING
HESSAY PARISH COUNCIL

On Tuesday 8th August, 2006 at 7.30 pm in the Chapel School Room, Hessay

Present:-

In Attendance:-

Mr Neil Huntington (Chairman)
Mr R Hildreth
Mr S Cariss
Mr A Rogers

Mrs L Cariss (Clerk)

1.0 Apologies: Mr A Davey, (Cllr. Hopton 12 month period)

2.0 Minutes of the last meeting: Agreed as a true record.

3.0 Matters Arising:

3.1 Awaiting a reply from Gareth Arnold re paddocks

3.2 A letter had been received from Robin Sweetman, Engineer –Highway Infrastructure confirming that the area highways inspector had been asked to look at the problem of potholes on Main Street and New Road with a view to carrying out repairs. Our request for the replacement of missing street signs should be referred to Kara Seymour at CYC. Request for new signs should be forwarded to Network Management. The Clerk is to contact this department with our request to relocate the Main Street and Shirbutt Lane sign to their previous location.

3.3 The remedial works have started at the junction of The Fold and Main Street. Mr Cariss had observed that the works being carried out would not solve the problem. He therefore contacted Robin Sweetman, Engineer CYC who is in charge of the project to discuss the matter further. Mr Sweetman arranged to visit the site the next day, 9th August 2006. Mike Watkins of CYC had previously been shown the problem of puddling outside No. 6 Main Street and the dropped manhole cover outside Wheatsheaf House. The matter has been passed on to the relevant department.

3.4 Mr Rogers had sent a letter to Mr Carlyle confirming the individual areas of Parish Land together with a map outlining the same.

Mr Rogers proposed that the formal registration of the Parish Land should be looked at once again. The PC agreed to this proposal and suggested that two portions of land should be dealt with initially. Mr Rogers is to update his previous papers on the subject and report his findings to the next PC meeting together with approximate costings.

3.5 We are still awaiting details of possible dates when Mr Terry Collins, Director Neighbourhood Services could attend one of our meetings.

- 3.5 Mrs Sommerfield has been advised of the PC's decision regarding funding. However she is not aware of any grants available. The Clerk is to speak to Mrs Russell-Jarvie who led the Village Design Team in Rufforth to find out any details.
- 3.6 Vehicle Weight Limit. Mr Cariss had contacted the police regarding details of the weight limit but they were unable to help him. However after contacting the Highways Agency he was advised of the following. Vehicles entering a seven and a half tonne area for a purpose should approach by the shortest route to that place and depart by the shortest route.

4.0 Correspondence

- 4.1 The planning application for Croft Farm, Main Street had been approved.
- 4.2 Use of former agricultural building as a single dwelling house, High Moore Farm, New Road, Hessay. Mr Musgrave had been granted a Certificate of Lawful Use or Development by City of York Council. He had also been granted a Certificate of Lawful Use or Development for the siting of a mobile home at High Moore Farm.
- 4.3 Cur Galloway had sent a letter confirming that the threat of budget capping had been lifted from the City of York. He thanked Hessay PC for their support.
- 4.4 Joe Taylor had sent an e-mail to the Chairman stating that a few of the Laburnum Farm residents would like to remove the hawthorn etc., from the play area and replace with turf. Mr Cariss stated that as the amenity has been provided for the use of the village, the decision as to its future should not be made by a few. He suggested that the prickly hedge could be replaced with something more suitable which would attract birds and still retain its openness. Initially Whitfield Homes gave approximately £25,000 to CYC for the maintenance of the play area for five years. The chairman has spoken to Esther Priestly at CYC regarding conditions imposed on the play area and he will report his findings at the next meeting.

5.0 Planning –No Planning Applications had been received.

6.0 AOB

6.1 Parish Plan Questionnaire

Amanda Carlyle had approached Mr Cariss with various questions in connection with the Parish Plan. Mrs Carlyle assured Mr Cariss that the Plan would be produced before any action is taken by the group. The Chairman had attended the PP meeting and ascertained that the PP requires the support of the Parish Council.

It was proposed to hold a meeting between the members of the Parish Council and the PP Action Group to discuss ways of taking the project forward together.

It was proposed that the meeting be held at the Chapel Schoolroom, a date to be arranged. The Chairman is to advise Mrs Carlyle.

- 6.2 Mr Hildreth informed the meeting that the children from Hessay are not included in the official pick up for Rufforth School. Although a taxi is provided for Mr Hildreth's children he has been advised that this is a one off situation. Mr Huntington stated that the other children who attend Rufforth school are taken by their parents on the basis of sharing the transport. Also Mrs Huntington has presented a case for transport being provided to CYC but this was rejected. Historically children from Hessay attend the school at Rufforth as it is closer to the village and safer to travel to than the one at Upper Poppleton. Mr Huntington advised that Rufforth school struggles for children to attend. It was proposed and agreed to support a request to the Education Authority for the provision of transport to Rufforth School for the children of Hessay.
- 6.3 Mrs Cariss is still to approach Mr Mackman regarding the vacancy.
- 6.4 York Pride have been contacted on numerous occasions recently regarding the whereabouts of the road sweeper. Mr Cariss was told that the roads had been swept on the 11th July and this would be followed up every 20 days. York Pride were informed that the road sweeper did not appear on either the 11th July or the 31st July. Stuart Greaves from the CYC is to contact Mr Cariss to discuss the matter further.
- 6.5 On contacting VOSA regarding details of the weight limit Mr Cariss was given information which enabled him to find out details of any HGV Operator. He has ascertained that John Denning has registered his operators licence as the A59 site. The PC agreed to take this matter further and to advise the Enforcement Officer of the details.
- 6.6 Mr Cariss queried whether or not a time scale on the removal of the vehicles at Shirbutts had been given and also for the reinstatement of the grass where the hard standing had encroached into the Green Belt. The PC agreed to send a letter to the Enforcement Officer requesting details of the conditions.
- 6.7 A copy of the Parish Plan results are to be distributed to the members of the PC. Thursday the 17th August was proposed for a meeting to discuss the plan between the PC, the meeting to last for one hour. The clerk is to book the schoolroom if available.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.55 pm.