

**MINUTES OF ESCRICK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2010 IN
ESCRICK VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT: Mr Steve Snowton (*chair*); Mr Brian Forster (*vice-chair*);
Mrs Lilian Coulson; Mrs Sara Cunningham; Mr Charles Forbes Adam ;
Mrs Amy Lamont; Mr Bill Reader; Mr Mike Russell
Mrs Liz Casling *North Yorkshire County Councillor and Selby District Councillor*

APOLOGIES – Dr Jon Askham; Mr Peter Skilbeck

**VISIT FROM FRANCES WINTER AND TOM PHILLIPS
REPRESENTATIVES OF YORKSHIRE WATER**

Chair welcomed Fran Winter and Tom Phillips.

Fran Winter, who is concerned with the effluent discharge into the sewage system, stated that they have identified the problem in this area is The Parsonage Hotel. Fat was building up in their own drainage as they did not have a fat trap. This has now been fitted and is being monitored by Yorkshire Water. The Parsonage Hotel has responsibility to maintain the enzyme system they put in and they can be made to pay for any extra work caused by their waste. Yorkshire Water will monitor the situation with CCTV over the coming months.

Tom Phillips has replaced Gemma Hanson as our primary contact for the flooding issue on Carr Lane and Main Street. He has looked into the position and reported that there is a gate already in place that could be used to discharge the excess water into the beck at times of heavy rain. He needs to check if the consent from the Environment Agency to use it is still in place, and would need to install telemetry to monitor its effectiveness, but these costs are extremely minor compared to any of the other options mooted to date. They will provide an update before the next meeting in January.

Mrs Casling reported that with regard to the section on the A19 outside the Parsonage, the Highways say the drain is slowing collapsing and this is to be replaced.

Mr Forster reported that the manhole cover on the A19 at the entrance to the exit road from The Parsonage is causing problems. Tom Phillips was not aware of these issues and will report back.

Tom Phillip's email is:

thomas.phillips@yorkshirewater.co.uk

Chair thanked them for attending.

VISIT FROM BNP – ESCRICK MINE

Chair welcomed Stephen Smith, PPS; Rob Watson, Peel Environmental; John Dunshen, BNP Paribas Real Estate; Eddie Peat, UK Coal

Chair informed the meeting that, as agreed at our last meeting, he has written to City of York Council requesting that they apply the planning condition that this land be returned to agricultural use. Eddie Peat of UK Coal was asked when the North Selby Mine ceased activity, but he said it was difficult to define as, for example, the site was being used to retrain miners after the extraction had ceased. Mr Dunshen from BNP Paribas stated that they did not think it is feasible to restore it back to agriculture.

Mrs Coulson and Mrs Casling requested further information on the exact date the mine was closed and Mr Peat of UK Coal will email this information.

There is to be a second consultation held in Escrick on 13th January 14.00 – 20.00 in Escrick Village Hall along the same lines as the previous one in October. This time the representatives will be easily identified by their name badges. There is to be consultation on 15th January in Wheldrake which will include a site visit. Clerk to try and get the details of the January consultation into January's issue of the parish magazine. *Action VC*

A document was handed out by the group detailing their latest plans which are slightly smaller in scale than originally envisaged, with the total tonnage now 170,000 tonnes per year rather than 190,000.

Mrs Casling queried if this would be a sustainable site and was assured it would be. The meeting was informed that the planning application is to be presented February/March 2011.

Chair thanked them for attending.

An email from Tim Williams requesting help with finding locations where legitimately placed banners/posters could be put. The Chair advised them that the parish magazine would be the best solution.

The chair to write again to Mr Mike Slater at City of York Council requesting an update. *Action SS*

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Confirmed as true record.

Mrs Casling reported about the latest news from Parliament about the cut backs to council funding which will be no higher than 8.4% for the year 2011/2012 and 2013.

MATTERS ARISING:

WIND FARM BALLOONS

Mr Forbes Adam informed the meeting that the plans are going to committee tomorrow with a recommendation for planning permission be granted.

PLANNING REQUIREMENTS TO FELL TREES

The clerk handed the official policy received from the National Association of Local Councils to Mr Bill Reader.

COMMUTED SUMS

This agenda item was carried over to the next meeting.

Dr Askham will report on this. *Action JA*

ACTION ON TWO SETS OF LIGHTS

Mr Forster reported the lights are working. Clerk has informed Tarmac to repair the light on the corner of Carr Lane and Skipwith Road.

POLICE REPORT

The latest Police Report can be found on the web.

<http://maps.police.uk/view/north-yorkshire/selby>

An email from PC Adam Wood about an incident at Queen Margret's School where a large group of youths on the grounds drinking and setting off fireworks at around 11pm around bonfire night. The Police chased many of the youths off the grounds and apprehended two of them who were taken home and spoke to in front of parents. Since this, and he quotes "and I'm tempting fate here" but have had no further reports what was worrying was the fact that none of the youths were from the area.

There have been a couple of complaints about parking at school times on main street he has spoken with the school previously who are very pro re finding a solution to this. When possible they have attended at peak times but as you can imagine as soon as the vehicles see police in the area the parking problems stop. He is looking at conducting a survey with the rest of the residents on the street to see if it is a common problem, and asked if anything been reported to ourselves.

It was reported that in the view of local residents it is girls from Queen Margaret's School have been seen smoking in the village green, but of course this cannot be proved.

The new time table for *Route 4 You*:

In Escrick Village Hall car park times 1300 – 1340 on:
January 17; February 17; March 17; April 17

ESCRICK PLAYING FIELDS

Dr Askham to give update at the next meeting.

LIGHT ALONG MAIN STREET

The Chair has been to view the site the site and agrees with Selby Highways opinion that the resident has no reason to cut the tree back as the branches around the light have been taken back.

PARISH REQUIREMENTS FOR THE YEARS 2011/12

The budget for the year was presented by the Chair together with our expected outturn. This shows a precept of £9500 and an expected spend of £9300. As we have only limited reserves and we have to replace the lighting column with a total cost of £1200, it was proposed and agreed to ask for an increase to £10,000 per annum.

It was agreed that we replace the broken lamp post on Skipwith Road as soon as possible, assuming that the have the reserves to do so.

Action: VC

ACCOUNTS

The accounts are in credit

A/c No 1	£4310.95
A/c No 2	£2237.06

It was agreed to pay:

Escrick Village Hall	£10.00
Mrs Cumberland – broadband – December	£13.99
Green Vale Gardens	£175.51
Society of Local Council Clerks	£30.00
Postage	£2.36
Mr Snowton – renewal of domain name for website 5 years	£56.54
Green Vale Gardens	£175.51

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

8/10/246/PA erection of 50kw wind turbine Street Record Wheldrake Lane Escrick – *This application will be returned to committee for consideration at a later meeting date to be confirmed, however when the application is prepared for the committee it will be considered as a stand alone turbine with no linkage to the conversion of the Manor Farm buildings as was previously the case in the October officers report. The applicants have been asked to review the noise impacts of the development and to provide the Council with further technical information.*

Applicant's reply on noise matters.

8/10/15A/PA Manor Farm Skipwith Road Escrick - conversion of former farm buildings to 2 live/work units and extension of access track. SDC planning refused

Appeal following the refusal of planning permission

8/10/247/PA internal alterations demolition and extensions and new garage and front porch The Headmasters House, Escrick Park Gardens.

Planning permission refused

8/10/247A/LB internal alterations demolition and extension to the Headmasters House, Queen Margaret's School Escrick with new garage and front porch (including removal of 2 trees within the cartilage of the property) The Headmasters House, Escrick Park Gardens Escrick.

Planning permission refused

8/10/248/PA attic conversion (including dormers) and new porch Old School House Escrick Park Gardens Escrick – no objections

NY/2010/0462/FUL NYCC consultation on planning application for the purposes of installing 3 no new lighting columns (2 no in the car park and 1 no on the footpath) and the replacement of the lanterns to 3 no existing light columns on land at Escrick CEP School Carr Lane Escrick

8/10/249/PA extensions and alterations to Lilac Villa and Lilac Cottage to enlarge the existing ground floor accommodation provide additional first floor bathrooms and bedrooms also to erect new garage and garage/stable block Lilac Villa Stillingfleet Lane Escrick

8/10/181A/PA erection of a single storey porch to the front elevation of the dwelling including the replacement of the existing wall/window to the side of the porch 10 Wenlock Drive Escrick – no objections

8/10/217A/PA Conversion of existing flat roof of utility room and garage to pitched roof – 1 Northlands Close Escrick

CORRESPONDENCE

Parsonage Planning Application – correspondence regarding footpaths/car parking. The Parsonage have agreed to widen their exit road which also leads up to the Surgery.

Site visit has been requested before the end of the year. Mr Forster is to attend a site visit with the Manager and a representative from the Surgery and discuss their proposals.

Highways & Transportation – A19 Escrick

North Yorkshire County Council has a statutory duty to carry out investigations into personal injury collisions on the highway and where necessary, take appropriate measures to prevent such collisions through a range of engineering, education and enforcement measures.

North Yorkshire County Council maintains a database of personal injury collision statistics supplied by North Yorkshire Police and we use this to identify problem sites on an annual basis. One of the County Council's key objectives is to continue the current downward trend in casualties on North Yorkshire Roads.

The A19 from the junction with Skipwith Road at Escrick to south of utland House has been highlighted as a priority site for a casualty reduction scheme with 19 accidents in the past 3 years (2007 - 2009). An analysis of the accidents was

undertaken and this found there to be a cluster of five accidents occurring around the junction of Skipwith Road and a cluster of three accidents around the junction to Stillingfleet, Cawood Road. The remainder of the accidents were spread out along the route and mainly involved vehicles colliding with the vehicle in front in stationary or slow moving traffic. Following this analysis we believe that no engineering measures are necessary for the Skipwith Road junction considering the recent installation of the Vehicle Activated Signs.

At Cawood Road a number of proposals have been identified to improve the road safety and the overall road environment at this location which involve improved highway signing to increase awareness. A copy of the proposals is attached for your information.

It is essential that resources are used efficiently, effectively and economically and as an authority we must ensure that any proposed engineering solutions are 'fit for purpose'.

Tricia Butterfield sent an Email requesting a salt bin be placed in Dower Chase. It was agreed that this would not be possible. Clerk to reply. *Action VC*

A quotation for Parish Council Insurance has been received for next year which is cheaper than the present insurer.

Selby District Council sent in a revised notice about the emptying of bins during this snowy weather. Green bins will not be emptied until January 10th 2011.

A reply from Arriva explaining why some of their buses do not come via Main Street due to the road not being gritted sufficiently for the safety of their vehicles. The clerk to write to North Yorkshire Highways requesting Main Street be treated as grade two and to grit when necessary. *Action VC*

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The resident identified in the register of Vulnerable people will be contacted by the Clerk during the present bad weather. *Action VC*

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORUM EASTERN AREA

Future dates and venues of meetings:

16 Feb 2011 - Ryther Village Hall

25 May 2011 - Barlby High School

An Email from North Yorkshire Highways was received about the programme for replenishing salt in bins and informing of salt bins being stolen during this snowy weather.

Trevor & Pauline at Escrick Post Office are planning to retire. It was agreed that when they do the Parish Council will organise a collection and presentation on behalf of the village.

Mr John Reader reported that a light opposite The Black Bull pub went missing and asked if there any plans to replace this. *This item to be placed on next agenda.*

Mr Forbes Adam told the meeting that a planning application for a smaller farm shop has been lodged. Even though the original much larger farm shop had received planning permission the planning department have requested a full flood survey for this application.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 31 January 2011 at 7.30pm in Escrick & Deighton Social Club