

ESCRICK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on **Monday 26th September 2011**
at Escrick & Deighton Club

PRESENT: Mr Steve Snowton (*chair*); Mr Brian Forster; Mr Bill Reader;
Mr Mike Russell; Mrs Amy Lamont; Mr Peter Skilbeck; Mrs Sara Cunningham;
Mr Charles Forbes Adam.

APOLOGIES: Mr John Reader; Dr Jon Askham;
Mrs Liz Casling *North Yorkshire County Councillor and Selby District Councillor*

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Confirmed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING:

POLICE REPORT

The latest Police Report can be found on the web.

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

A large amount of lead was been stolen from the church roof.

YORKSHIRE WATER

The clerk to remind Yorkshire Water that the flooding along the A19 is still unresolved. Also to invite Mr Phillips to the next meeting. *Action VC*

The clerk to request Mrs Casling speak to North Yorkshire Highways on our behalf about the situation along the A19. *Action VC*

NORTH SELBY MINE

Comments on behalf of Escrick Parish Council.

Whilst the North Selby Mine site is located within the parish of Wheldrake, it lies immediately adjacent to Escrick village and is accessed directly from the A19 immediately north of the village and within the York Green Belt.

With regard to the grounds of appeal of the Enforcement Notice, our comments are as follows:

Ground C

We consider Condition 15 of the Planning Decision Notice C/8/99/18/PA to be quite clear in that it requires following abandonment of the Barnsley Seam, for the land to be restored to a condition capable of agricultural production. It is implicit that any scheme that 'may' be approved by the County Planning Authority shall be required to be submitted and will require approval in due course. The standard required is one that is 'capable of agricultural production' and therefore we consider that the condition is clear as to what is required.

Ground D

In our opinion if, as the appellant purports, the restoration works should be undertaken within a ten year period, this date **must** commence from a period of

not less than twelve months after the BRNSLEY Seam was abandoned or shall cease for a period of not less than twelve months, ie when the Local Planning Authority had the opportunity to see whether the planning condition had been adhered to within its proper timescale.

Secondly the Planning Condition requires the plant, buildings and machinery be removed from the site within twelve months of the relevant date. Again, this reconfirms that the relevant date is twelve months **after** the abandonment or cessation of the use.

Condition 15

The Inspector should be aware if the **fundamental** importance of this condition when planning permission was granted for the North Selby Mine Site. Given the location of the site in a rural area and within the York Green Belt, the restoration of the land and its reversion to agricultural use was an intrinsic pre-requisite to the consent being granted. Furthermore, it was an essential part of the acceptance of the site in a rural community, and there has been a very clear longstanding public perception since the mine closed that the site would be resorted by UK Coal to potential agricultural use.

Escrick Parish Council requests the opportunity to appear at the Appeal inquiry and/or provide further evidence in support of our comments.

Appeal to be held at Escrick Village on December 6th and 7th 2011.

COMMUTED SUMS

No update available as Dr Askham was not at the meeting.

ESCRICK PLAYING FIELDS

The Community Payback personnel have been on site and clearing up litter and debris. This has been successful.

The 10k run held in August had 450 people participating and this was a considerable increase on last year, raising a record amount for the EPFA.

A complaint has been received about the condition of the picnic benches and the litter especially of cigarettes. Queen Margaret's School pupils use the area: Mr Reynolds has reported this to the school who have not responded. Mr Reynolds had to call the police on one occasion. The clerk to inform the Environment Health to get the litter bins emptied and the area tidied up and to enquire about the frequency of emptying the litter bins. *Action VC*

Chair to liaise with Dr Askham *Action SS*

SKIPWITH ROAD LAMP POST

Clerk still to chase up *Action VC*

ARRIVA BUS SERVICE 415/416 SELBY – YORK

Arriva have identified they are willing to use the lay-bys on the A19 instead of as at present outside the church. It was proposed at the meeting that the PC position should remain that if we are to have only one stop for Escrick then it should be situated on Main Street.

Clerk to inform Paul Shepherd. *Action VC*

The license for public transport is due for renewal and the Clerk to ascertain which department issues licenses for buses. *Action VC*

LAYBY FULL OF CHIPPINGS

These chippings are being used and eventually the lay-by will be cleared.

ESTATE LAND AT CORNER OF MAIN ST AND CARR LANE

Mr Forbes Adam expressed his disappointment about the turn of events, but agreed to maintain this piece of land.

Mr Forbes Adam also expressed his disappointment that land he rents out for the use of the village at a peppercorn rent is not being maintained and would like the Parish Council to undertake to have the rented out land tidied. He specifically referred to the old paddock area, and the Chair said he would speak to the Chair of Playing Field Association as there is a programme currently underway there.
Action SS

Mr Forbes Adam also suggested the Parish Council approaches the owner of The Holt and asks him, in the spirit of local community, to keep the pavement in front of his property clean and tidy in future. *Action VC*

Mr Forbes Adam suggests the Parish Council includes the area by the substation, Carr Lane Copse, the memorial and the area around the 'Beilby Thompson' bridge in next year's general maintenance contract.

The Parish Council has recently had an email from SDC indicating that they were considering removing the hedge on Carr Lane planted by the Parish Council many years ago. We replied that they should not do this, and the clerk will make enquiries to see if we can take over the maintenance. *Action VC*

THE COVERS, MAIN STREET ESCRICK

Mr Forbes Adam stated that The Covers garden had become very overgrown. Although some of the shrubs had grown quite big, none had stems over 15cms in diameter, thus notification to Selby District Council was not required.

The appropriate notice was sent about the dangerous trees in the copse on Carr Lane. Selby District Council did not respond within the required five days but after about a fortnight they replied saying they would return to the Estate within a further three weeks. This did not happen, so the Estate removed the trees.

Selby District Council are currently investigating the matter.

Meeting declared open

A member of the public made the meeting aware of the planning regulations regarding the felling of protected trees, suggesting that the regulations state that if the diameter of the stems is greater than 7.5cm then permission from SDC is required.

Meeting Closed

As SDC are carrying out an investigation we will report back on their findings. *Action VC*

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

The mobile library has ceased operating and the Escrick & Deighton Club have agreed to keep the library books on their premises. Two volunteers from the village have shown an interest in manning this library which will be open for approximately one hour every three weeks on a Thursday morning. The clerk is liaising with North Yorkshire Libraries about this. *Action VC*

DRINKING ON VILLAGE GREEN

The Clerk, as instructed, reported this incident to the Police who have asked to be informed when it occurs again.

NEW DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE FORMS

These were completed and signed by all councillors with the exception of Mr John Reader and Dr Jon Askham. Mrs Coulson enquired if any Councillors had a change of status should they complete the form when they circumstance changed. The clerk to report back on this issue. *Action VC*

THE GLADE – NO COLD SELLING STREET

The Glade in Escrick has been placed on North Yorkshire Trading Standard's list forbidding cold callers entering in The Glade. Any trader who called on residents in The Glade uninvited would be committing a criminal offence and could face prosecution.

OVER GROWN HEDGES

The notice was been placed in last month's parish magazine.

ACCOUNTS

The accounts are in credit

A/c No 1	£4,390.72
A/c No 2	£1,738.48
Agreed to pay:	
Broadband July, August/September 2011	£42.87
Escrick & Deighton Social Club	£10.00
Escrick Estate - rent village green	£10.00
Greenvale Gardens	£180.00
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Tarmac Lighting	£58.44
Mazars	£144.00
Postage	£5.67

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Two storey extension to Hawthorn Cottages Hollicarrs Close Escrick

Installation of air source heat pump at Nor Riddings Escrick Park Gardens Escrick

Planning Appeal Reference APP/C2741/C/11/2154734 North Selby Mine
Escrick Parish Council's response under heading **North Selby Mine**.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr Reynolds produced maps showing the proposed boundary changes for Escrick and Selby District. Escrick will become part of York Outer CC. Representation to be made before 5th December 2011. The maps will be distributed by the Clerk and the matter will be discussed at the November meeting. *Action: VC*

DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Mr Skilbeck announced there is some money remaining from the Golden Jubilee account and this can be transferred to the Diamond Jubilee celebration.

The celebrations will be on the same theme as the Golden Jubilee finishing with a dinner in the evening. Fund raising events will probably be held to help towards the cost of these celebrations. A notice giving details about events to be placed in the parish magazine.

COMMUNITY FORUM EASTERN AREA

The next meeting to be on Wednesday 19th October at Barlby High School at 6pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 7th November 2011 at 7.30pm in Escrick & Deighton Club