

Escrick Parish Council

Minutes of Escrick Parish Council meeting held in Escrick & Deighton Club at 7pm on MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2022.

22220: **Welcome:** Chair welcomed councillors and members of the public to the meeting.

22221: **Co-option of new councillors.** No candidates to co-opt this month.

22222: **Apologies/Attendance:**

- a. Present: Cllr M Allen, Cllr S Allen, Cllr Chambers (Chair), Cllr Cunningham, Cllr Fairbairn, Cllr Hawes, Cllr Hopkinson, Cllr Tipples. Members of the public. Clerk; S Look. District Cllr N Reader joined at item 22243.
- b. Apologies: Cllr Rees and County Cllr J Cattnach.

22223: **Declarations of Interests:** None.

22224: **Public correspondence received:**

- a. Complaint regarding planning application 2021.1466.FUL. Post Office Row, 7 Main Street. It was noted that this application has been refused by Selby District Council.
- b. Request to remove the ivy from behind the monument/Coronation Memorial at the end of Main Street. This has now been removed.

22225: **Public session:**

- a. Mr Hardy registered his thanks to the Parish Council for their support on the Halt Heronby campaign. Chairman thanked the Halt Heronby team for their hard work and professionalism in their response to the Local Plan consultation.

22226: **Updates from other authorities:**

- a. District Cllr Reader not present.
- b. County Councillor Cattnach not present.

22227: **Minutes:**

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the Parish Council monthly meeting held on 3rd October 2022.

Finance and Governance

22228: **Finance report:**

- a. Confirmed Precept arrangements for 2023/24 from NYCC. The deadline for submission 31st Dec 2022.
- b. Noted electricity charge increases for 2022.
- c. Noted the Local Government pay claim 2022/23 has been accepted. Clerks salary to be back dated to April 2022 in line with the National Pay Agreement award as per employee contract.
- d. Resolved to amend the bank mandate to remove Cllr Rees. Cllr M Allen and Cllr S Allen to be added to the bank mandate and Cllr Rees removed.
- e. Account balances and reconciliation:

		Community account	BMM account
i.	Account balances as reported at last meeting (as at 27 th September 2022)	£7,405.67	£26,925.13
ii.	Payments made since last meeting:		
	HMRC – Clerks salary	-£4.80	

	Autela – payrolls services July-September	-£51.61	
	J Massey- Strimming paths and sweeping March-September 2022	-£120.00	
	T Chambers - Safety stake/tape for the park	-£9.95	
	S Look September expenses	-£66.77	
	S Look September salary	-£	
	National Lottery funding reimbursement	-£6400.00	
	P Wade – Halt Heronby	-£300.00	
iii.	Payments made since last meeting under clerks delegated powers:		
	Unity Bank service charge	-£18.00	
iv.	Receipts:		
	Precept	£10,000.00	
	SDC - Members fund for club electrics project	£1250.00	
	VGA dinner on the green portable toilet contribution	£119.00	
	Unity credit interest		£40.72
v.	Account balances as at 1 st November 2022:	£11,422.12	£26,965.85
vi.	Uncleared previously authorised payments:		
	Nil		

f. Routine payments to be made:

viii.	S Look – Clerks Oct expenses	-£18.00
	S Look – Clerks Oct salary	-£
	R Rowson – Microsoft 365	-£135.36
	T Chambers – sand / cement for rabbit holes	-£16.94

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

ix.	CYC – Bus stop lighting A19	-£2070.30
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Highways

22229: Highways: Skipwith Road

- a. The Village Gateway Scheme has still not progressed. NYCC confirmed that the lining contractors are currently behind schedule and expected back in the area in October but no progress has been made. Clerk to follow up again.

Maintenance

22230: Maintenance issues:

- a. Update given by the chairman on any maintenance issues arising. Rabbit holes have been filled in the play area. Main Street bus shelter memorial has been cleaned. A report was received of a kerb edge problem in the park which has now been filled and reported to EPFA. To monitor for any future problems.
- b. Cllr Hawes gave an update on the trees in the village having been for a walk around the village with the previous Parish Chairman. It was reported that the VGA are responsible for cutting back the hedging on the village green. The trees in the playing field were inspected. To discuss under item 22231. It was noted that the Parish Council maintenance contractor cuts back the hedge on the footpath leading up to the play area, however, as this footpath is now the responsibility of the academy the PC will consult with the school to see who will be maintaining it in the future.

- c. SDC have confirmed that an application is not required for the tree works as it is hedges on the village green. Application 2022/1083/TCA has now been withdrawn. Village Green Association to carry out the works.
- d. Councillors considered quotes received to crown reduce three Walnut trees on the village green. Councillors to determine if the PC will pay for the works or request a contribution from the village green association at the next meeting when they are presented with the full costs of all the trees, including any additional tree work that has been carried out.
- e. Report received that the bus shelter light on Main Street is not working. Councillors resolved not to replace the light at the current time due to rising energy costs and the shelter no longer being used.

Playing Field / Play Area

22231: **Playing field update:**

- a. Councillors considered tenders for the tree maintenance required on the playing fields. Report received from Escrick Park Estate with advice on the proposed tree work. It resolved to not carry at the works at this stage. To reassess with any developments at the next meeting.
- b. It was resolved that Cllrs Tipples and Cllr Fairbairn will take over playground inspections and report to the clerk.
- c. Councillors to consider applying for formal public access rights on the path leading to the park/playing fields from Main Street. Awaiting discussions to take place at the school regarding this matter.

Planning

22232: **Planning, new applications:**

- a. 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 - Escrick Church of England School, Carr Lane Escrick York YO19 6JQ. Comments by 17 November 2022. Noted.
- b. 2022/1145/TCA. Crown lift by 2 metres and crown cleaning to 11 No Lime Trees in the conservation area - Escrick Church of England School, Carr Lane Escrick York YO19 6JQ. Noted.

22233: **Planning ongoing:**

- a. 2021/1375/HPA. Grove House, Skipwith Road, Escrick. Placement of gas tank in garden (retrospective).
- b. 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.
- c. 2020/1007/FUL. Creation of 10 car parking spaces (retrospective). The Parsonage Country House Hotel, Main Street, Escrick. Permitted. Concerns about visual impact and drainage raised with SDC. The Chairman has written to SDC regarding the ongoing issues but to date has not received a response. It was resolved that a formal complaint will be put into SDC about the lack of action and responses in relation to the ongoing planning items. Clerk to action.

22234: **Planning determinations:**

- a. 2019/0045/EIA - Land Between New Road and Wheldrake Lane. Outline application for redevelopment of the former North Selby Mine site to a leisure development comprising of a range of touring caravan and static caravans with associated facilities. Permission granted.
- b. 2021/1466/FUL. Post Office Row, 7 Main Street, Escrick. Erection of dwelling and formation of access. Refused.

22235: **Planning working group:**

- a. Nothing further to report.

22236: Selby Local Plan and Heronby proposal:

- a. Local Plan comments have now been submitted to SDC.

22237: Planning, Neighbourhood Plan:

- a. Referendum took place on 6th October 2022. Outcome; 33% turnout with 89.7% in favour. Awaiting further update from SDC.

22238: Conservation Review:

- a. No further update on the Conservation Review. This item also forms part of our complaint to SDC mentioned in item 22233c.

Other items

22239: Village shop and pop-up Post Office:

- a. National Lottery funding application has been accepted and they have agreed to contribute £10K towards funding the project. Community Members Funding of £1250 organised by Cllr N Reader has also now been received. Awaiting funding from Cllr Cattnach. The team are progressing with this but it is unlikely to be open before Christmas.
- b. No further update on the proposed pop-up post office.

22240: Jubilee Garden/ Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Initiative:

- a. No further update from the Jubilee Garden committee on progress. AVS have confirmed that the funds can be transferred over to the Jubilee Garden committee. Awaiting confirmation that SDC funding can be transferred. The National Lottery funding received has now been returned in full as requested by the NLF.

22241: Correspondence received:

- a. YLCA; White Rose Updates and general correspondence. YLCA: White Rose Update and training. Noted.
- b. Update on Escrick 10K received. Unfortunately, it has been reported to the PC that a volunteer has not been found to take over Chairing the management of the event. Councillors to talk to residents to ask if they would be willing to volunteer.
- c. Confirmation received from NYCC that the Devolution for York and North Yorkshire is now live.
- d. NYCC Parish Council information briefings to be held on 28th and 30th November.

Cll N Reader joined the meeting.

22242: Comments from public present on agenda items:

- a. No further comments.

22243: Items for the next meeting:

- a. Noted the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 4th December 2022.

Part 2

22244: Confidential business: Resolve to exclude Public and Press on the grounds that matters for discussion affect individual staff members/ procedures/ legal/ finance issues.

22245: Councillors considered the grass cutting quote for 2023-24 and accepted the quote received from Ark.

Meeting closed at 20:45hrs
Signed: Cllr T Chambers
Chair, Escrick Parish Council
Date: 4th December 2022