

# ELVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 16th February 2021 at 7.30pm via MS Teams

## MINUTES

1. **Councillors Present.** Cllrs Laverack, Moorhouse, Lloyd, Hamilton, Gallery, Young and Clerk.
2. **Apologies.** Cllr Taylor, Cllr Vassie
3. **Declaration of Interests.** None
4. **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on 19.01.21 were approved
5. **Matters arising from the minutes not covered in this agenda.**
  - a. Cllr Laverack had not heard back regarding the wording on the proposed memorial bench
  - b. Cllr Young had spoke to Church who were happy for debris from the lane to be deposited on compost heap
  - c. Risk Register - Cllrs Rickard, Lloyd and Gallery to review
  - d. Emergency plan - to be reviewed by Cllrs Laverack and Taylor
6. **Police Matters.** None
7. **Correspondence (out):**
  - a. Chair to CYC re: Home Lea
  - b. Clerk to Ward to Councillor re: community garden
  - c. Clerk to Playscheme re: playpark development
  - d. Clerk to CYC re: precept
  - e. Cllr Lloyd and Chair to CYC re: sandbags for Derwent Cottage
  - f. Clerk to parish newsletter re: notices
8. **Correspondence (in):**
  - a. *Available from the Clerk:*
    - i. Complaint from resident. Noted
    - ii. White Rose Update 08/01/21, 22/01, 05/02
    - iii. Rural Funding Digest February 2021 edition
    - iv. Rural Bulletin 12/01, 19/01, 26/01, 02/02, 09/02
    - v. NALC Chief Executive's Bulletins 15/01, 22/01, 29/01, 05/02
    - vi. NALC Coronavirus update 14/01, 27/01, 05/02
    - vii. CYC Update 11/01, 13/01, 19/01 (x2), 20/01, 21/01 (x2), 22/01 (x2), 25/01, 27/01
    - viii. CVS Voluntary Voice January edition
    - ix. YLCA Training update Feb/March 21
    - x. YLCA Training bulletin 15/01
9. **Financial.**
  - a. Receipts. None
  - b. Payments. To approve:
    - i. Playscheme for repairs to seesaw and replacement of basket swing.
  - c. Other Matters:

- i. The operating statement was approved and Cllr Moorhouse confirmed he had checked the bank statement.

#### 10. Planning Applications.

##### a. New Applications:

- i. 21/00274/TCA. The Bridge House Main Street Elvington York YO41 4AA. Fell Ash tree in a Conservation Area. **Already approved by CYC Arborist as dangerous.**
- ii. 21/00275/TCA. Eversfield Main Street Elvington York YO41 4AA. Fell 1no. Pine; reduce 1no. Ash and 1no. Silver birch by 25% - tree works in a Conservation Area. **No objections.**
- iii. 21/00315/FUL. Grange House Main Street Elvington York YO41 4AG Received after agenda so not subject to formal consultation at this meeting, but due to the consultation deadline agreed to circulate plans and delegate response to Clerk. **ACTION:CC to circulate plans**

##### b. Approvals:

- i. 20/02252/FUL. 11 Beck Close Elvington York YO41 4BG. First floor side extension and conversion of garage to habitable space.

##### c. Refusals:

##### d. Applications Withdrawn:

#### 11. Highways, paths and verges.

- a. Wheldrake Lane junction mirror and speed limit. Agreed mirror had potential to cause more danger than it prevents as well as no appropriate siting. Agreed to officially request a safety assessment of the junction of Wheldrake Lane and Elvington Lane for both vehicles and pedestrians. **ACTION; CC**
- b. Wildflower planting of verges. Cllr Vassie has put us in touch with Craig Rolston from Natural England who had a grant to plant verges around York. Had confirmation that the verge from the doctors to the school would be included in this project and looking for volunteers. Cllr Laverack in communication about setting this in motion as a matter of urgency due to time of year so it can be sown in the next few weeks. **ACTION: JL**
- c. Becksides crossing: Cllrs Laverack and Vassie have both contacted CYC to put this into effect and had no response as yet.
- d. Church Lane flooding: Long term pump has been placed there and road currently clear.
- e. Community garden: Noted that Cllr Vassie had recommended that we contact Dave Meigh to pursue this option for the end of Dauby Lane. **ACTION: CC**
- f. Noted tree down in churchyard and posing a few significant complexities to remove, but being dealt with by Church Council and householder.

#### 12. Recruitment of new Clerk.

- a. A number of applications had been received. The Parish Council had delegated to Cllrs Laverack and Taylor to take forward interviews and make a decision. **ACTION: JL, AT**

#### 13. Legacy project.

- a. Significant interest generated by the article in The Press. Reached out to CEO of York Museums and University of York to look for support with archiving and managing the information and available online. Also noted that we should contact the York Civic

Trust and the Borthwick Institute for Archives. The points of interest on the planned trail would develop from the work of archiving the history of the village.

**Cllr Vassie joined the meeting.**

**14. Village events.**

- a. Annual Village Meeting: Councillors reflected that we had been unable to hold the usual Annual Village Meeting last year, but given how long the Covid situation has now gone on there was a strong feeling that it was important to do something this year. Since this must be held by the end of May the Parish Council agreed that we should consider options of both a fully virtual and a hybrid meeting. Cllr Gallery had access to a webinar platform that could be used.
- b. Discussed whether it was possible to consider planning future village events such as the village fete and open gardens, and agreed that it was too early pending the Prime Minister's next announcement about the roadmap to lifting lockdown, due on 22nd February. Councillors would keep the situation under review.

**15. Recent and forthcoming meetings.**

- a. Cllr Laverack had attended a useful planning enforcement webinar.
- b. Cllr Taylor had attended YLCA Branch meeting and sent an email report of discussions. Cllr Vassie was asked to follow up issues arising related to planning with Mike Slater. **ACTION: CV**
- c. Noted YLCA conference on 21st and 22nd April. Clerk to send round agenda so Councillors could select relevant elements to attend. **ACTION: CC**

**16. Village Assets.**

- a. Playground. Noted had received a plan and quotation from Playscheme for both some upgrading of the existing equipment as well as some new additional adult equipment. Agreed that at a minimum we should apply for the upgrade to the existing playpark, and depending on the response from the sports club, also the new fitness equipment. **ACTION: CC, JL**
- b. All other assets in good condition

**17. Items for Newsletter, Website and Facebook.** Once response received from Chris the playpark plans should be circulated via Facebook for community input. **ACTION: CC**

**18. Urgent business.**

The Parish Council noted the sad passing of George Barton, ex-Ward Councillor and good friend to Elvington.

Decided to take forward communication review in the interests of transparency

**19. Items to be placed on the next Agenda.** To be with the Clerk before Friday 5th March.

**20. Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday, 16th March.

Draft Minutes of this meeting should be available on the village website - [www.elvington.net](http://www.elvington.net) within seven days.

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Meeting closed at 21:00