HUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on 19th March 2025 at 7pm

Reference:
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Date
14 April
2025

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Present:	Councillor R Smith	Chair
	Councillor R Worsdale	
	Councillor W Knight	
	Councillor J Wylie	
	Councillor R Wyatt	
	Dee Lynn	Clerk
	Two members of the public in attendance.	
Items	Recording of Meeting	Actions
Item 1	Apologies for absence	
	Treasurer	
Item 2	Councillors declarations of interest none	
Item 3	Minutes of last meeting held 15 th January '25	
	Agreed as a true and accurate record, proposed Cllr Wylie seconded	
	Cllr Wyatt.	
Item 4	Actions from previous meetings	
	(i) Remedial works to kerb edges ("triangles" outside	
	village hall) Cllr Wyatt advised he had spoken to one	
	of the NYC approved contractors who estimated	
	c£3,500 for one area and c£7000 for both. These	
	costs are too high, no grants will be available. An	
	alternative solution is to source topsoil and turf to	
	repair the edges. Cllr Smith agreed to make enquiries.	Cllr Smith
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	(ii) Flood prevention works at Arrathorne junction. Cllr	
	Knight reported that the works seem to have been	
	completed.	
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- (iii) 20's plenty Cllr Wylie advised the speed wire survey is being extended to measure traffic flow and speed, we will await feedback.
- Playpark, future inspections, servicing, tree canopy (iv) work, Cllr Smith proposed that future inspections should be undertaken by a company who are registered with the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) he is aware of such a company who offer good rates for Yorkshire in September. It was suggested to have sight of a sample inspection report and cost estimate would be prudent and Cllr Smith agreed to make enquiries in time for 2025 inspection. The report for the current inspection is available on line only, the link to it has been provided to Streetscape who have been requested to quote for repairs to the zipwire carriage as advised in the current inspection report. The work to the tree canopy to tidy area behind village hall is expected to be a days work and Cllr Smith sought agreement to progress this, agreed.

CIIr Smith

- (v) Recruitment of new councillors, the clerk advised that the request for NYC to prepare a Notice of Vacancy given Cllr Wyatt's resignation had been declined as not possible to complete in advance. Information eg copy agenda and minutes have been made available to anyone indicating an interest in becoming a councillor.
- (vi) Travellers questionnaire, Cllr Smith advised this has been completed.
- (vii) Digital records Information and photographs, these have been passed to the clerk by Cllr Wyatt.

Police report

Item 5

A report had been received and circulated, a copy was available at the meeting.

Local planning applications

Item 6

- (i) ZD25/0074/FULL Whinney Hill, Moor Lane, response date was 18/03/25, the application had been circulated and no comments received.
- (ii) **Update on Wild Hill site** it is understood the site has been purchased by a builder / developer JWK from Knaresborough. A full planning permission application is now expected.

Matters arising from NYC The NYC Parish Liaison communication of February '25 had been Item 7 circulated with the agenda. PC business / maintenance Item 8 Land Registry update Cllr Wyatt (i) A note from Cllr Wyatt detailing the position with registration of the various pieces of land had been circulated with the agenda. The one area not resolved is "the pond" at the top of Wild Hill. There is a letter from 1970s from North Riding describing this as "common land", this is insufficient for Land Registry purposes. Cllr Wyatt met with members of the local history society who have a plan describing it as a "watering hole" The pond is recorded on a 1815 plan. NYC Archives are to be explored to see whether any record of ownership is held by them. Land Registry advise the only other route is to pursue Adverse possession, a form of "squatter's rights. Cllr Wyatt advised a £45 fee would be charged for this and payment of this fee was proposed by Cllr Wylie and seconded by Cllr Knight. **CIIr Wyatt** Best kept village It was discussed and agreed Hunton would not wish to participate. (iii) Leyburn Road bridge / Scroggs Farm blocked culvert - Cllr Smith This issue has been reported, the site says no works done, there is damage to the bridge, both sides of the road have running water and the tarmac is damaged, it is believed Scroggs Farm is the source, Cllr Smith to pursue. CIIr Smith Beck water quality – Cllr Knight Cllr Knight has circulated correspondence on this ongoing issue. no further action is proposed by the agencies involved. Cllr Knight advised the issue of the septic tank compliance has not satisfactorily been resolved but in light of the matter being "closed" only ongoing monitoring is possible. Litter pick - Cllrs Wylie and Knight The weekend of 5th & 6th April is suggested, meet at village hall At 10 on 5th April, refreshments available for volunteers, £35 agreed to cover cost, proposed Cllr Wylie seconded Cllr **Treasurer** Knight. Hunton in Bloom have a newsletter planned and they will add info on the litter pick. Finance report In the absence of the Treasurer no report was available at the meeting. Item 9 Any items of expenditure incurred since last meeting (i) requiring approval Microsoft package purchased, Cllr Smith to be reimbursed £19.99 Defib pads purchased, Cllr Wyatt to be reimbursed £171 NB pads now "good" until 2027.

Cllr Smith to discuss arranging a debit card with the Treasurer.

Cllr Smith Dates for future meetings; Treasurer Given Cllr Wyatt's resignation and Councillor's holiday arrangements to ensure the annual meeting and the next meeting are quorate it was suggested subject to village hall availability the May meeting date to be moved to 28th May 2025. The date of the next meeting is now confirmed as Wednesday 28th Clerk May at 7pm when the annual meeting will also be held. Future meetings will be on 23rd July '25 and 17th September '25 Clerk: Original signed Signed:







