**EGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the meeting held at

6.30 pm on Tuesday 12 November 2024 at Egton Village Hall

Present: Cllr, S Shaw, T Boulton, R Grayson, G Yurkwich-Spink, A Cockrem and clerk.

Heather from Anglo American gave an update. A maximum team of 20 people will start work at Lady Cross and the tunnel work is scheduled to start in 2-3 weeks and there is no planned drilling along the tunnel route.

Anglo American also gave an outline of their biodiversity strategy. They are currently looking at greater opportunities, rather than a specific plan, but there will be a plan in due course. They are being advised by Ecologists. They are presently doing low level natural regeneration and monitoring the results. There has led to increase in wildlife, wildflower and grasses. At Lady Cross, the land is naturally wet and there has been an increase in breeding birds, which is largely due to coppicing. They are keen to work and have conversations with the Paris Council.

Public session of up to 15 minutes Nothing to note

1. **Reminder by the Chairman of the council’s expectations for audio or visual recording of the meeting**
2. **To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence Cllr R Hodgson and E Mangles Resolved approved**
3. **To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the council’s code of conduct**.
4. **To confirm minutes of the last meeting as a true record** It was resolved that the minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a correct record and signed
5. **To receive police reports (Circulated) Cllr G Yurkwich has set up an Egton Community Group Facebook page and is independent from the PC.. Police confirmed that a summary of the report can be shared on line.**
6. **To receive information on any ongoing issues and decide further action where necessary**

6.1 To note that the clerk has received membership number and has registered for on-line banking and is awaiting pin and further information. To note that Cllr S Shaw has also registered. On line banking is up and running. The PC are to continue using cheques in the main, but the on line banking can now be used also when necessary. The payment of £30.00 previously agreed is to be made to the Witching Post. Clerk to email to ask for bank details and Cllr S shaw to follow up.

6.2 To note that the resident proposed a site for a memorial bench near Greed End. NYC said the proposed site was unsuitable. The clerk has let the resident know and said that they can supply a different location and highlighted that they could also look at sponsor a seat. They are to consider their options and come back to us in Spring next year. Noted

6.3 To note notes from planning training from Cllr G Yurkwich which have been circulated. Noted

6.4 To note there is dog fouling signage in Egton Bridge Noted

6.5 To note an invoice was from NYC for the feeder for the Christmas Tree was sent to EPRA in error. This was forwarded to the PC and the clerk contacted NYC as this was made out to EPRA instead of the PC and was for a higher amount than quoted. This invoice was cancelled as it was made out to the organisation. They are now to look into this and get back to us. Noted

6.6 To note that Grosmont Bridge is now open to traffic again for the winter period, all diversion signing, fencing & barriers will be removed off site. NYC would like to thank everyone for their patience while we put everything in place for the temporary block work to be installed. NYC would like to inform everyone that the pedestrian refuges on the damaged southern parapet will not be available for use during this period due to safety reasons so please bear this in mind when walking across the bridge.’ Noted

**6.7 To note information regarding Model agreement (circulated) Noted**

6.2 Mulgrave Estate Woodland Creation Scheme applications. Cllr G Yurwich-Spink is checking policies in relation to nesting curlews and will report back. Cllr G Yurwich Spink has also highlighted the PC’s concerns in relation to Churchdale tree planting scheme with Alison Hume MP who is to look into this further. To note reply received from the MP who is taking this up with DEFRA. Also to note that public consultation is open and people which closed on 1 October. The information was circulated and noted. Clerk circulated an update from the Forestry Commission confirming that the consultation on the scheme will be in the next couple of weeks and the PC will be consulted. Clerk asked that Cllr S Shaw was included in any emails.

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7 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS To note, consider and decide upon the following planning applications**

7.1 : **NYM/2024/0712 Application for variation of condition 2 (material amendment) of planning approval NYM/2020/0605/FL to allow alterations to doors and fenestration, installation of 12 rooflights, construction of four dormer windows, installation of flue, enlargement of garage door together with installation of oil tank and screening at Cross Farm Buildings, High Street, Egton Resolved clerk to email planning, object to scale and number of sky lights.**

**8 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

8.1 To discuss monument field fence and note information circulated. It was noted that the fence to the monument field is now in a poor state of repair. It was noted that the licensee has already made some repairs. It was resolved that the PC would source estimates for the renewal of the fence. It was noted that this may take some time and that whilst the pony remains in the filed it is the responsibility for the licensee to make sure the fence is secure for the pony.

**8.2 To discuss and agree new contract for the pony in the monument field.** It was noted that there had been a general assumption with the field being small that the pony would not be in the filed in the winter when the ground is wet and can be churned up. It was agreed by the PC and the licensee that the contract can be changed to state that the pony can be kept in the field for around 6 months of the year. In summertime. The licensee confirmed that the pony will be moving. There is no specific date as yet, but the licensee said should be hopefully before Christmas. Resolved clerk to update contract and circulate.

**8.3 To receive information and agree precept for 2025/26 Information was noted and Cllr S Shaw proposed and it was resolved that the precept would be 2.27%. Clerk to email.**

**8.4 To discuss PAYE increase Resolved to agree and backdate to April.**

**8.5 To discuss Christmas tree Cllr A Cockrem is to organize the Christmas tree and lights will need PAT testing again. Egton Estate kindly donate the tree and it was resolved that Fords could collect and deliver the tree. The lights will need PAT testing again.**

**MATTERS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS**

8.6 To receive update on Community Apple Day event Cllr R Hodgson. Cllr R Hodgson had circulated a report of the day and this was noted. The day was a sucess with around 60 people attending. The residents group are meeting again and are now discussing further ideas to expand the project. An update will be given at the next meeting.

8.7 To note that there is to be a new way to register Highways issues from December and more information will be forwarded. Noted

8.8 To note information received NYMPA from on the enforcement notices on the land opposite Mount Pleasant and the land to the rear of Honey Bee. Cllr S Shaw confirmed he had spoken to planning and that they confirmed that they can store things on the land, whilst they are working on the property.

8.9 Sponsor a seat review Resolved to defer to next meeting.

9 **CORRESPONDENCE** - To note or consider the following new correspondence received and decide action where necessary. (All circulated)

9.1 To note North Yorkshire Council is simplifying its approach to supporting communities who need access to sandbags during a flood incident. From the beginning of October 2024 if a member of public requires access to sandbags, they should Google Sandbags North Yorkshire and follow the instructions.

9.2 To note forthcoming resurfacing works that will be carried out along Egton Lane. The works are currently programmed to start on 15th November and be carried out under a full road closure between 09:30 – 15:30 for five days.

9.3 To note North Yorkshire Council is consulting on an application for the designation of a neighbourhood plan forum and a neighbourhood plan area for Harrogate.

9.4 To note information from NYC. The retaining walls along the River Esk at Broom House Lane, Egton Bridge, and found significant undermining and scouring that requires urgent preventative work to protect the highway retaining wall over the winter. The proposed work involves filling any voids with concrete bags and carefully placing large stone rock armour along the base of the wall. This will require the road to be closed due to the use of large machinery needed to lift the rock armour. To allow for the procurement of materials and to avoid other road closures around Egton, we are planning to carry out the works the week commencing 11th November. We estimate the work will take 3-5 days to complete, and the road will need to be closed for the duration.

9.5 To note PLANNED ROAD RESTRICTION NOTIFICATION - 111124 Broom House Lane

Location:  Broom House Lane, Egton CP, Egton Bridge, Unknown. Description of works:  repairs to retaining wall   The Restriction will be in place for a period of 5 days between 11th November 2024 and 15th November 2024

9.6 To note The Joint Executive Board of the YLCA agreed on a new policy concerning how nominations are made for places at the Royal Garden Party. For the 2025 Royal Garden Party (usually held in May), nominations are invited from local councils and parish meetings in North Yorkshire.

9.7 Natural England launched a statutory and public consultation for proposed plans to designate part of the Yorkshire Wolds as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) on the 8th October 2024 that will remain open for 14 weeks, closing on the 13th January 2025.

9.8 Documents are about next year’s 80th anniversary of VE Day

9.9 PLANNED ROAD RESTRICTION NOTIFICATION - 68752 A171 Whitby to Scaling Dam Boundary A171 Whitby to Scaling Dam - parishes Roxby, Newton Mulgrave, Ugthorpe, Hutton Mulgrave, Egton, Aislaby, Newton - cum – Dunsley Description of works:  replacement of road studs - 40mph with convoy working   The Restriction will be in place for a period of 8 days between 5th November 2024 and 12th November 2024

**10 FINANCE – To note the following and approve the following accounts for payment**

10.1 To confirm Community Account (General reserve) as at 18.10.2024 balance of £9603.78 Resolved

10.2 To confirm Business Saver Account (Earmarked Reserves) as at 18.10.2024 balance of £10,154.53 Resolved

10.3 To note bank statements Resolved

10.4 To note budget Resolved

10.5 Debit M Rich toilet cleaning Sep )£148.72 Resolved

10.6 Debit M Rich (toilet cleaning Oct) £125.84 Resolved

10.7 Debit M Rich (toilet rolls and bin bags) £42.48 Resolved

10.8 Debit Village hall £170.00 Resolved

10.9 Debit Apple Day Group ££24.56 Resolved

1. **POLICIES - To consider, adopt or review the following policies**
2. **To review White Rose updates and YLCA training available (circulated**

**News from NYC Standards bulletins**

North Yorkshire Council Parish Liaison: Parish Update

1. **To note forward look document**

**Christmas Tree events to be on the agenda in September 2025**

**14 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting**

 **Road erosion on the lane towards**

 **VE day**

**15 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 14 January 2024**

Public notice of the meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12,

Paragraph 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 1972

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