

Hunsingore, Great Ribston with Walshford & Cattal Parish Council

DRAFT MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday December 11th 2023 at 7.00pm in Hunsingore Village Hall.

Present: Mr Lyndall (in the Chair), Mr Urwin, Mrs Dent, Mr Underwood, Mrs Margiotta, Mr Twaites
Mr Clark, Mr Bramley

In attendance: Mr Reardon, Mr Cambell, Mrs Bramley

Apologies: Mr Powell

Chairman's introduction: Mr Lyndall welcomed everyone especially our new councillor Simon Clark. He thanked the Clerk for all her help, support and hard work which is truly appreciated. He then thanked all the councillors and Councillor Warneken for their work on behalf of the community and for their support. A thank you to everyone who contributed in a variety of ways to the benefit of the community. He then wished all a good festive time.

Declaration of interest: Mr Twaites as caretaker of the village hall and Mr Bramley as he is married to the Clerk.

Members of the public are invited to address the meeting: Mr Reardon and Mr Cambell both declined to speak at this point.

Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on September 25th 2023 had been circulated to all councillors and interested parties. They had been placed on the parish noticeboards and the North Yorks council website. It was proposed by Mr Twaites and seconded by Mrs Dent that they were a true record and all were in agreement. Mr Lyndall signed the minutes.

Matters arising: Mr Twaites said the noticeboard had been taken down at Walshford as it was dangerous. The Clerk thanked Mr Twaites for arranging it.

Mr Twaites asked if anything further had been heard about the outstanding planning enforcement at Sandy Rocks Hunsingore - no

Mr Bramley reported that the Parish Council had received an apology from N Yorks council that it had not been consulted on the Spring Cottage application.

Cattal Bridge repairs are out for tender and should be completed in the 2024/25 financial year.

Financial report and precept: The Clerk reported that she had experienced huge difficulties when dealing with Barclays Bank. She then presented the current statement. There had been no activity on the account since the last meeting but it was proposed by Mr Underwood and seconded by Mr Urwin that the report was a true record and Mr Lyndall signed the report.

The Clerk had circulated a spreadsheet of the precept for the last 3 years to the Councillors. The precept for 2024/25 is:-

Clerks salary	750	it was proposed by Mr Lyndall and seconded by Mr Underwood that this be increased. All were in agreement
Telephone/internet	65	

Postage	10	
Village hall grant	1200	
Insurance	350	
SLCC	75	
Churchyard grant	110	
Auditors	40	
Rent	100	It was proposed by Mr Lyndall and seconded by Mrs Margiotta that this be increased to cover the costs of heat and lighting the meeting room. All in agreement
Data protection	35	
Walshford noticeboard	927	the old noticeboard was unsafe and had to be removed. Quotes for a new one had been received in either hardwood or softwood. It was proposed by Mr Urwin and seconded by Mrs Dent that the hardwood one would last longer and should be the preferred choice. All were in agreement.

At the AGM the question of whether the PC should have a website was raised. The Clerk said that at present there were about 14 councils across the county who posted their information on the North Yorks Council to comply with legal requirements. Hunsingore has a village facebook page and Cattal have an e mail system for passing on information to residents. Agendas and minutes are posted on village noticeboards. It was decided to continue using the current systems for notifying residents.

It was proposed by Mr Underwood and seconded by Mr Urwin that the above precept be adopted - all were in agreement.

Risk schedule and assessment: These had been circulated to all the councillors. The Clerk went through the schedule. Mr Bramley asked that under Banking Arrangements a note should be added regarding the problems with Barclays Bank. There were no further comments and the Risk Schedule was signed by Mr Lyndall.

There were no comments on the Risk Assessment.

Correspondence: Barclays Bank - re origin of the account
SLCC and Clerks Direct magazines
Glasdon playground information

Planning applications and decisions since the last meeting: Demolition of barn at Northlands Farm.

North Yorkshire Local Plan and New Settlement: Preparation work for the North Yorkshire Local Plan is underway.

Consultation on the Draft Statement of Current Investment has taken place. North Yorkshire are proposing the use of Compulsory Purchase Powers should be used to facilitate land assembly. The proposal will allow for progress to be made in advancing the progression of the proposed DPD for the New Settlement proposal.

Chciane Hunsingore: There is no money at present to alter it.

Speeding: Mr Urwin had e mailed N Yorks Police about Speedwatch. There had been various incidences of speeding through the villages. It was suggested that if flashing speed signs were installed maybe they would slow the traffic down. Mr Urwin will follow up with the Police and see what measures can be used for both Hunsingore and Cattal.

Commuted sums: Ongoing.

Churchyard improvements: Trees had been cut down.

Hunsingore Access order: Mr Urwin asked for clarity on exactly who could drive through Hunsingore and who could park on Church Hill. Mr Lyndall said that the main reason

the order was originally put in place was to deter crime and everyone should abide by it. People sometimes need to park there if they are going to the church. It is not always safe for people to park on the main road due to speeding vehicles. Mr Lydall thanked Mr Urwin.

Social housing: Nothing to update.

Flood notification signs: Mr Clark said there needed to be some signs on the roads near the bridge in Cattal. Each time there is a flood some cars get written off and there is a threat to life when people get stuck in their cars. Mr Bramley had seen a Highways Engineer that morning who suggested that he should visit Area 6 to see if anything could be done to get some sort of signage, Mr Clark will go with Mr Bramley. Mr Bramley has been given the name of a contact.

Proposed asphalt production plant near Allerton Park: The PC had not been consulted. Worry was expressed about possible air pollution, traffic, noise and creep development along the A168. Mr Bramley said forms were available from the shop in Whixley if anyone wished to object.

Any other business: Trip to Allerton Park - Mr Twaites will see about organising a trip to the site.

Mr Twaites had a bag of paperwork relating to the opening of the A1/M1 link road if anyone wished to look at it.

Mrs Margiotta said the footpath from Hunsingore Bridge to Cowthorpe was impassable in places. The Clerk will mention it to Cllr Warneken.

Mr Bramley said about the Household waste was changing. There is a consultation out regarding possible charges for disposing of waste. The worry is that if a charge is made rubbish will be tipped on the roadside.

Mr Bramley said there is a consultation N Yorks and Yorks Nature - looking at strategy. DEFRA is involved.

Dates of the next meetings:
March 18th 2024
May 20th 2024 AGM
September 23rd 2024
December 9th 2024.

There was no further business and Mr Lydall thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 20.12.