

Ellerton & Aughton Parish Council

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MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of Ellerton & Aughton Parish Council held on Tuesday 26th March 2024 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Hunter (Chair), Goddard, Parvin, Higg, Horrocks
5 parishioners

14/24 Welcome and apologies: Cllrs Rogers, Pease, Ward Cllr Wilkinson

15/24 Public Session - 10 minutes.

Drainage/Dyke Maintenance - photographs and a comments from a parishioner about the state of the dyke and showing the presence of sewage had been sent to the Parish Council prior to the meeting. The Clerk confirmed that these had been passed on to Yorkshire Water but had not yet received a response. She will chase this. It is thought that the current works being carried out prior commencement to the proposed improvements to the drainage system plus the recent heavy downfall has exacerbated the situation at the treatment works. **YE**

Cllr Hunter explained that the upgrading of the system is still in the design stage and that once that is complete, a timeframe and access/egress plans to the village will be discussed. He confirmed that an Open Meeting will be held once the information has been received.

It is understood that the current combined system will be split which should alleviate the situation at the treatment works as the amount of water etc entering will be greatly reduced. Lining works and repairs are being currently being carried out.

Cllrs Goddard and Horrocks have walked around the village with Yorkshire Water pointing out the issues. Additional survey works are also being carried out. Upgrading works will be done in one go to minimise disruption.

The pond is in a bad state but it is impossible to maintain it at the moment as Yorkshire Water has a licence to discharge into the pond.

16/24 Declaration of Interests: None

17/24 Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting 23rd January 2024:

Proposed: Cllr Horrocks Seconded: Cllr Goddard

18/24 Matters arising:

- i. Unauthorised holiday development, Long Lane - update: enforcement notices have been issued. Unless an appeal is submitted by 19th April 2024, there will be full enactment which will require all structures and equipment be removed no later than 19th October 2024.

- ii. Village Drainage: Drainage
Dyke maintenance
See Public Session 15/24
- iii. Purchase of Village Hall update: the Diocese has not accepted the Parish Council's proposal and have offered a clawback period of 30 years. Parish Councillors will look at possible funding opportunities, grants and schemes. The cost will be £40k plus legal fees. It was proposed that the parishioners be approached with a view to making a contribution to the purchase of the Hall.
The Hall is being used a lot more for crafts, children's and teens clubs, fayres etc. It would allow more freedom in how the Hall and the grounds are used.
Proposed: Cllr Hunter Seconded: Cllr Goddard
An item will be put in the Newsletter and there will be a leaflet drop to gauge Parishioner feelings. **AH**
- iv. Barking dogs - update: the Clerk will go back to ERYC explaining that the complainant was the Parish Council and that the Officer concerned should speak to the Parish Councillors.
A complaint has been received that the dogs can be heard in Ellerton.

19/24 Agenda - matters not elsewhere on the agenda:

- i. Road signage - Cllr Goddard requested that ERYC Highways be approached about putting a 'Not suitable for vehicles' up at the beginning of Little Lane in Aughton as vehicles are being directed down there by Satnavs and getting stuck. **YE**
- i. Riverside path: deferred to next meeting.
- ii. Natural England cameras: it is understood that Natural England were carrying out a survey in Ellerton and East Cottingwith. A few parishioners were questioned. The Clerk will ask that the Parish Council be notified in future of their presence so that the parish can be informed. The Parish Council would support and promote any future survey. **YE**
- iii. Grass cutting - the arrangements will be the same as last year.
- iv. Dog Poo bags - dispensers in Aughton, and on Aughton Lane and Donkey Lane in Ellerton are restocked at the beginning of the month with approximately 150 bags. It has been noted that lately, within one and a half weeks of being restocked, all The bags had gone. A notice will be put up at each dispenser pointing out that the bags are for emergency use only. **YE**

20/24 Planning applications:

24/00558/PLF - Erection of a portal framed building for the storage of agricultural machinery - Bridges Farm Bridges Lane Ellerton East Riding Of Yorkshire YO42 4PU for Hagrapat Ltd

No objections. This application is supported.

21/24 Planning decisions as advised by the East Riding of Yorkshire Council:
23/03907/PLF - construction of dormers to front and rear and alterations to increase roof height to front and rear - The Ridings, Main Street, Aughton, YO42 4PG for Mr Aked.

Approved

22/24 Finances:

- i. Financial Report: Proposed: Cllr Goddard Seconded: Cllr Hunter
- ii. Receipts:
Horse Field rent - £345.00
- iii. Payments to be approved:
Clerk's Salary - £122.56
HMRC - £25.60
Clerk's Travel (January) - £14.40
Dog Poo bags - £189.54
Defibrillator batteries - £780.00
- iv. Payments to be confirmed:
Clerk's Salary - £122.56
HMRC - £25.60

All agreed

23/24 Items for Newsletter: Cllr Hunter will draft items on the purchase of the Village Hall and the use of Dog Poo bags.

24/24 Correspondence: Broadband upgrade - it was agreed that the issue of bringing improved broadband services into Ellerton would be revisited. In the past, KCom have not been interested as the infrastructure is not in place and BT say it will cost too much. Cllr Goddard will look into it. The Clerk will contact the Ward Councillors to ask if they are aware of any schemes currently running to improve broadband services. **MG, YE**

25/24 Any Other Business as agreed by the Chairman:

It was proposed that the Parish Council will donate £100 towards the costs of a Children's Village Hunt and a Bouncy Castle at a Spring Fayre which will be held on Sunday 21st April.

Proposed: Cllr Hunter Seconded: Cllr Hogg

26/24 Date and time of next meeting - Tuesday 28th May 2024 at 7.00pm

Meeting closed at 8.02pm