

MINUTES OF HEWICK & HUTTON

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 16th February 2022

Copt Hewick, Village Hall at 7.00 p.m.

- 1 Those present Chairman Cllr E Wardman; Cllr N Woolfenden; Cllr. S Harrison; Cllr J Blakey; Cllr N Cutler
- 2 Apologies for absence Cllr Atkinson on way back from family funeral in Cambridge
- 3 Minutes of last meeting read and approved
- 4 Matters arising from last meeting
All the problems with the roads have been passed on to highways but no responses have been forthcoming. Getting an answer from anyone at County Hall or North Yorkshire has been almost impossible as no-one replies.
- 5 County and Borough Councillors reports Cllr Windass
Cllr Windass was at a meeting today and they have increased the Council budget to 3.99% - 1.99% general and 2% for adult special needs but this means they are still taking money out from their reserves. N Yorkshire is in a better monetary state than many other counties
There will be one unitary body in North Yorkshire. In 2023 and Cllr Windass will no longer be Councillor for this parish. Highways are in a very bad state and the company who were in charge of repairs had their 10 year contract reduced but they have left vehicles in a very bad state. There will be some new grit vehicles but they are very expensive. A lot of the gullies were not cleared and there is now a backlog. It does seem that the inspectors have not been doing the work they were contracted to do.
The planning officers are not enforcing work they are giving planning permission for and then rate payers end up paying for work that should be done by the developers. An example of this is the footpath around the Corner Farm development.
- 6 Open forum-none
- 7 Planning
 - Flakebridge House single storey extension and conversion of part of garage to form home office GRANTED
 - Potter illuminate sign on A61/Melmerby /Green Lane PENDING
 - Oak Tree House removal of windows and sliding doors to be installed plus step to rear PENDING
- 8 Update on the use of Copt Hewick Common
A few weeks ago a van was parked on the corner by the common and the council asked if Cllr Blakey could speak to the people who use the common.
- 9 Copt Hewick Public transport
Cllr Cutler has started a process to see if a bus service to the village. YOR bus at present does not pick up this side of the A61. The number 70 bus from Ripon to Northallerton goes through Sharow to Dishforth but does not come through Copt Hewick so he is going to try and see if it is possible to get this re-routed.
- 10 Copt Hewick village Green maintenance and dog fouling
A new contractor, Farm and Land Services, will be cutting the grass edges, £1000 for 20 cuts per season. The cost this year will be paid by a donation from Cllr Blakey and the Copt Hewick Village. Future costs will be met by the Parish Council
New dog signs will be going up once again as previous ones were removed
- 11 Advertisement for new Parish Clerk
A resident of Hutton Conyers is interested in the role and the Clerk will contact her.
- 12 Finance were agreed
- 13 AOB
 - Salt bin Hutton Conyers - The filling of this is ongoing after numerous emails and phone calls with County Hall.
- 14 Date of next meeting
Tuesday 3rd May 2022

Quarterly Accounts

19th November 2021-31st January 2022

	Paid out	Paid in	c/f	£
	£			3,836.77
Clerk Salary	160.00			£
	£			3,676.77
PAYE	40.00			£
	£			3,636.77
Hall Hire	23.00			£
	£			3,613.77
Bank charges	5.40			£
				3,608.37

