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**MINUTES of HILLAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7.30pm  
held at Monk Fryston and Hillam Community Centre**

**1. Present and apologies**

Councillors Present: , J Collinson, I Mitchell, S O'Connell, I Robertson and N Tuddenham

Also in Attendance: J Mackman (District Councillor) C Pearson (County Councillor); J Bracken, J Curran, L Walker (Residents)

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Mackman declared a non-Pecuniary interest as a Member of Selby District Council Planning Committee. Councillor Robertson declared an interest as a trustee in items relating to the Community Centre. Councillor O'Connell declared an interest in Hillside close planning topic.

**3. To Elect a Chair; elected chair completes the Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

Resolved: Councillor O'Connell was elected Chairperson for the Parish Council

**4. To approve and sign the minutes for Hillam Parish Council Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2021**

**Resolved:** The minutes were proposed to be a true record by Cllr Robertson and seconded by Cllr Collinson.

**7. Village maintenance**

- Tree branch hanging over Betteras Hill Road. Action: report to NYCC Highways.
- Rails on bridge to be chased up, no feedback received
- Traffic on Tom Lane – No feedback received
- Betteras Hill Lane – pricing required for pruning
- Tarmac / hardcore used to repair potholes in the village. Substandard repairs in most cases
- grass growing through the bench at the level crossing. Obtain pricing for cutting under the bench

**5. County, District and Parish Councillor updates on issues not on the agenda**

Cllr Pearson – advised on Local government reorganisation. New authority to be called North Yorkshire Council. 15 Councillors will represent Selby area.

Cllr Mackman – Full Council meeting on 28th September, hopeful of receiving an update on the reorganisation, mentioned above. Advised the council is now operating in person, not via MS TEAMS.

Cllr O'Connell – Broadband project pending and awaiting action from BT

**8. Finance**

a) To approve the financial reconciliation for August 2021

**Resolved:** Council approved the reconciliations and the Chair signed the document

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<b>COMMUNITY ACC:</b>		NB: £1127.89 is ring-fenced grant for website and £500 is ring fenced for pump maintenance gifted by Hillam Historians. £7000 OF THE INCREASED ANNUAL PRECEPT TOTAL IS RINGFENCED TO COVER COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PLANNING CONSULTANTS; ANY UNUSED RINGFENCED FUNDS WILL BE GIVEN BACK TO RESIDENTS VIA A REDUCTION IN PRECEPT.		
<b>CASHBOOK OPENING BALANCE: 24.7.21</b>	£ 20,759.44			
AUGUST RECEIPTS	£ 329.23			
AUGUST PAYMENTS	£ 320.01			
<b>CASHBOOK CLOSING BALANCE: 24.8.21</b>	£ 20,768.66	<b>BANK STATEMENT BALANCE : 24.8.21</b>	£ 20,798.66	
<i>Difference between Statement and Cashbook:</i>	£ 30.00	MFHCA	£ 20.00	814
		YLCA	£ 60.00	815
		RENT IN	-£ 50.00	
		<b>TOTAL O/S</b>	£ 30.00	

<b>RESERVE ACC CASHBOOK</b>			
<b>OPENING BALANCE: 24.7.2021</b>	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS	<b>CLOSING BALANCE: 24.8.2021</b>
£ 1,230.62	£ -	£ -	£ 1,230.62
<b>BANK STATEMENT: 24.8.2021</b>			£ 1,230.62

b) To approve payments for September 2021

Items were checked against the invoices. **Resolved:** All items were approved.

	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST	VAT: To Reclaim
816	JJANIK	AUG SALARY	£ 240.21	
817	TP JONES & CO	PAYROLL ADMINISTRATION	£ 45.90	£ 7.65
818	SG PARKIN LANDSCAPES	GRASS CUT ALL AREAS INV. 2624	£ 185.00	
819	NPOWER	FINAL BILL	£ 481.70	£ 22.94
		<b>TOTAL SEPTEMBER SPEND</b>	<b>£ 952.81</b>	<b>£ 30.59</b>
		<b>TOTAL 2021-22 ANNUAL SPEND</b>	<b>£ 12,055.98</b>	<b>£ 834.01</b>

## **6. To agree further actions regarding new councillor recruitment**

Interest received from D Cockayne. Parish Clerk to follow up this.

Vacancies to be readvertised via Tony Hudson's Facebook page, Hillam Facebook, Parish council website, Next Door and Facebook page

## **9. Planning:**

a) Applications to review:

- i. 2021/0776/HPA - Objections have been raised directly with Selby planning. No objections from PC
- ii. 2021/0920/HPA - No objections from PC
- iii. 2021/1026/HPA - Ok with the planning permission, but reservations raised regarding the proposed rendering. The render is not in keeping with the current building nor surrounding properties.
- iv. APP/2021/0027/REF | APPEAL - Appeal Hearing scheduled, all representations to be received by 24<sup>th</sup> September, but Planning team are lobbying for an extension to 27<sup>th</sup> September

Target date for case hearing – 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021. scheduled to last for 6 days.

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Target date for public hearing – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022. Scheduled to last for 6 days.

Options available to handle the appeal

- Selby district cancel handle the appeal on behalf of the residents. No cost to HPC
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party representation engaged by HPC, involving planning consultant. Cost estimate ~ £6k. Does not allow us to cross examine witnesses or make representations.
- Rule 6 party representation. Can consist of planning consultant and a barrister. Allows for our witnesses and cross examination of defendants' witnesses. Costs could be £15 - £30K+. VAT additional but can be reclaimed

Parish council need to decide best course of action, in light of expected costs and finances available.

Residents attending, queried what other avenues of fund raising are available. Councillor Robertson advised that the HPC could not be seen to work outside of the legal framework the PC has for receiving funds. Residents would be able to fund raise and seek donations.

Resident has offered to buy the land and is pursuing this option with the land owners.

**Action required:** speak with Church Fenton PC regarding how they handled a similar planning project.

**Resolved:** Councillors Robertson & O'Connell to speak with S Vendy (Planning Consultant) to agree most effective course of action.

b) Notices of Decision: none to report

c) To make comments, where necessary, on the DRAFT document from SDC "Validation requirements for planning and other applications submitted under the Town and Country Planning Acts"

**Resolved:** Councillors agreed to accept the content of the plan and close the action

**10. To confirm the date of the next ordinary Parish Council meeting, dependent on location availability and Covid-19 Regulations**

Resolved: The next meeting will be held in the Newton Room, Monk Fryston and Hillam Community Centre on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.30pm.

**11. Meeting closed at 8.45pm**

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_