

CHAIR: Councillor Seph O'Connell

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**MINUTES of HILLAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 3rd July 2023, 7.30pm
held at Monk Fyston and Hillam Community Centre**

2324/7/1 Present and Apologies (Chairperson to confirm quorum)

Councillors in attendance: County Councillor Grogan, Parish Councillors O'Connell (Chairman), Collinson, Tuddenham and Vickers.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Hayburn and Hutchinson

Also in attendance: Juvina Janik (clerk)

2324/7/2 Declarations of Interest from Councillors

None declared.

2324/7/3 To approve and sign the minutes for Hillam Parish Council Meeting 5th June 2023

Resolved: The document was approved by Council and signed by the Chairman.

2324/7/4 To receive attendees comments

No attendees.

2324/7/5 To receive updates on relevant local issues from Councillors and Clerk

Councillor Vickers:

- Continuing to water flower beds whilst usual volunteer is unavailable
- Notice Board back and frame repaired by CV, left noticeboard to be assessed
- Ring Tree health is poor – seeking advice – gravel on hold
- Wilsons given list of tasks from last months meeting
- Bollards more expensive than initially thought – approximately £200 for 3 – it was agreed to continue with the project at this slightly higher cost
- Streetlights at Main Street are now installed, awaiting connection. New post installed at Betteras Hill Road also.

Councillor Tuddenham - Burial Board

- Cemetery inspection carried out, no attendees from Burton Salmon or Monk Fyston PCs
- Wall has been repointed
- Tree Report shows all trees are in good condition
- Weeds to be removed and mud mound to be distributed around cemetery to level some areas

County Councillor Grogan:

- Road chef motorway services at Lumby Garden Centre planning permission includes HGV parking
- Quarrying permission at Lumby is being looked at by central Northallerton Strategic Planning Committee
- Number of Travellers caravans on site at A63/A1 junction is reducing, the site is to be returned to original state by December 2023

- 20s Plenty campaign – not suitable for all roads so no blanket application – Parish Council will be able to apply for a 20mph limit for specific roads
- Permit Parking possibilities – as a unitary authority, the Selby district may now be able to implement a permit parking scheme where it would be appropriate

Councillor O’Connell

Hillside Close update – following informal discussion with the landowners, there is a possible way forward along the lines of ‘adoption’ but the legal implications will need to be confirmed

2324/7/6 Village Maintenance

a) Updates – as above

b) Matters to report:

- i. Overhanging trees at noticeboard in The Square Resolved: Cllr Tuddenham to discuss with owners
- ii. Stone wall at Rose Lea House in The Square may need attention – cones are out currently

2324/7/7 To discuss recruitment strategies for Hillam Parish Councillors

Cllr Vickers has spoken to one interested party – clerk to contact via email

Lack of interest in the vacancy – no councillors will result in no Parish Council

Question has been raised by a resident “Why do Monk Fryston and Hillam have separate Parish Councils?” Questions followed “What is the possibility and what are the consequences of a merger?”

Resolved: The Councillors voted 1 for and 3 against further discussions about a possible merger. Further requests for village support and involvement will continue.

2324/7/8 To approve the proposal that Hillam Parish Council sign up to the Armed Forces Covenant

Resolved: Subject to additional information from the Chairman in respect of how the covenant will work within the Parish Council, the PC will sign up to the Covenant.

2324/7/9 Items for the next edition of Hillam News

Vacancy, Councillor details and emails, Street Lighting Update

2324/7/10 To agree the 2023-24 Policy Review schedule

Resolved: The clerk will distribute policies to each member for them to review and propose changes where necessary. An additional policy focussing on Conflicts of Interest may be deemed necessary. Updated policies will be formally adopted in the September 2024 meeting.

2324/7/11 Finance

a) To approve the financial reconciliation to 24rd June 2023

Resolved: The reconciliations were checked against the Bank Statements and approved by Council.

COMMUNITY ACC:		NB: AT YEAR START £862.09 is ring-fenced grant for website and £500 is ring fenced for pump maintenance gifted by Hillam Historians. <u>INCOME RAISED FROM THE PREVIOUSLY INCREASED ANNUAL PRECEPT WILL NOW BE USED TOWARDS THE ENERGY SAVING LIGHTING PROJECT</u>		
CASHBOOK OPENING BALANCE: 25.5.23	£ 42,918.69			
JUNE RECEIPTS	£ -			
JUNE PAYMENTS	£ 5,876.99			
CASHBOOK CLOSING BALANCE: 23.6.23	£ 37,041.70	O/S CHEQUES		CHQ NO
		MFHCA	£ 60.00	917
RECONCILIATION:		A BOSMANS	£ 65.00	918
BANK STATEMENT Balance 23.6.23	£ 37,166.70			
<i>LESS O/S CHEQUES</i>	<i>£ 125.00</i>			
<i>ADD O/S RECEIPTS</i>	<i>£ -</i>			
Reconciled Balance:	£ 37,041.70	TOTAL	£ 125.00	

Reserve Account:

OPENING BALANCE: 25.05.2023	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS	CLOSING BALANCE: 23.06.23
£ 1,233.40	£ 2.57	£ -	£ 1,235.97
BANK STATEMENT: 23.06.23			£ 1,235.97

b) To approve payments for July 2023

Resolved: All invoices were approved and the cheques confirmed correct. The cheques were signed.

CHQ NO.	Payee	Details	TOTAL COST	VAT: To Reclaim
920	J. JANIK	JUNE SALARY	£ 268.31	
921	HMRC	Q1 TAX MISSED	£ 16.20	
922	S G PARKIN	GRASSCUTTING INV 3006	£ 230.00	
923	S G PARKIN	MISSED INVOICE: RE SEED RING TREE	£ 100.00	
924	NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNCIL	STREETLIGHT MAINTENANCE 2022-23 INV 230004703	£ 565.32	£ 94.22
925	TPJONES & CO LLP	PAYROLL APR-JUNE 23	£ 50.50	£ 8.42
TOTAL MONTH SPEND			£ 1,230.33	£ 102.64
TOTAL 2023-24 ANNUAL SPEND			£ 9,806.97	£ 986.67

c) Review of Banking Arrangements

Resolved: An online access account will be opened for Hillam Parish Council to enable more convenient banking facilities. This will allow online bank transfer to be used as a method of payment, cheques can still be used. The clerk will administrate the account, and there will still need to be 2 signatories to authorise any payment online. All payments will still be approved at the Parish Council meeting in advance.

2324/7/12 Planning:

a) Applications to review:

- i) [ZG2023/0543/HPA](#) | Single storey side extension | 1 Lilac Oval **Resolved:** No observations
- ii) [ZG2023/0557/SCN](#) | EIA Screening Opinion in relation to a solar farm with associated infrastructure | Hillam Grange, Austfield Lane **Resolved:** The concern with the potential development is the industrialisation of the area as a whole and the cumulative impact this has on the openness of the Green Belt and rural areas. The PC does not agree with information in the report that assume the impact, including visually, will be insignificant.

2324/7/13 To confirm the date of the next meetings to be organised by the Parish Council

The next Hillam Parish Council meeting will be held Monday 4th September 2023

2324/7/14 Meeting close 21.20

Signed: _____ Date: _____