

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF SUTTON UNDER WHITESTONECLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 11th JANUARY 2016 AT 7.15 PM IN SUTTON VILLAGE HALL.**

Present: Cllr. C. Artingstoll, Cllr. B. Carney, Cllr. J. Dickinson Cllr. A. Pollard, Cllr. G. Thomas, District Councillor R. Baker, County Councillor G. Dadd and PCSO Laws.

The Chairman welcomed everybody.

15.228 Apologies for absence. None.

15.229 A report from NY Police was given. It included a larger number of reports of HGV issues than usual on Sutton Bank. It was confirmed that during the recent period of heavy rainfall when the double bends near Watergate Farm were flooded, the Police notified NYCC.

15.230 Declaration of interest in items on the agenda. None.

15.231 The minutes of the meetings held on December 14th 2015 and the TMG Minutes from 11th December 2015 were approved.

15.232 Clerk's Report. See appendix attached.

15.233 District Councillor Bob Baker reported that the third recycling bins would be delivered soon and confirmed that the recycling bins would be removed from the Pub car park. HDC had to make £2m of extra savings over 4 years.

15.234 County Councillor G. Dadd reported that NYCC could have a £15m deficit by 2019/2020 even if Council Tax were to be raised by 4%. The recent severe flooding across the County was causing additional financial pressures. It was confirmed that Cllr. McKenzie and Barrie Mason from NYCC would give A. Jones MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Transport, the information requested, regarding probable cost of a turning area, additional signage and also traffic movement figures. The Chairman noted that excellent feedback had been received from K. Hollinrake MP and A. Jones MP regarding the recent meeting which had outlined the problems faced by some HGVs on Sutton Bank, in an attempt to obtain Government funding to put in measures to alleviate some of the difficulties faced by some HGV drivers. It was generally accepted that the A170 would remain a PRN without weight restrictions.

The Clerk was asked to contact Highways and ask for permanent signs on the A170 double bend at Watergate Farm that say 'Road liable to flooding'.

15.235 Financial Matters. Balance in Bank as 30th November 2015. £3790.03

Income/Payments.

Payment of wage to Clerk for January 2016. £79.64. Chq. 679. Included 20p shortfall Oct – Dec 2015. Approved.

Payment to Clerk for Travelling Expenses. 2 x return. £11.70. Chq. 680. Approved.

Payment to hmrc Q3 PAYE. £57.20. Chq. 681. Approved.

Payment to C. Artingstoll–stationery-Ministerial visit. £30.54. Chq. 681. Approved.

Audit. Changes to the audit regime were discussed and it was agreed that Sutton PC would opt in to the new regime.

15.236 Planning Matters: District Councillor Baker advised that the Hollin Barn application for 34 chalets had been taken to appeal. Sutton PC Clerk would forward the PC response.

15.237 Update on items relating to VAS. None.

15.238 Update from Traffic Management Sub Committee. A meeting had been held on 12th January 2016 when various actions instigated by K. Hollinrake MP were actioned. Thanks were recorded to all Councillors, including the Chairman, M. Ripley and the Clerk for their hard work at the meeting with the MPs. The Clerk was asked to confirm with MP Kevin Hollinrake's office that the Parish

Council's concerns regarding Sutton Bank would be followed through and that the Council would be kept updated.

15.239 Village Hall Report. No meeting had been held.

15.240 Update regarding the Defibrillator Scheme. Cllr. Pollard reported that there were no funds available at the present time from the British Heart Foundation. There had been no expressions of interest or help from the village following the newsletter. The Council would look out for alternative sources of funding.

15.241 Review of Christmas events and Newsletter. The event had been a success. More modern Christmas songs had been appreciated. Father Christmas should be escorted to a more central position to meet the children. A pony and trap would be considered in place of a sleigh, for Christmas 2016.

15.242 Update on Transparency Fund claim for IT equipment funding. The claim had been submitted and confirmation of receipt had been received.

15.243 Proposed Open Day at Sutton Hall. Further information was awaited.

15.244 Weeding the new flower beds was offered by Cllr. Carney and Cllr. Artingstoll.

15.245 Response to recent flooding which cut off the village. Consideration would be given to including an upgrade to the Emergency Response Documentation at a future meeting.

15.246 Appointment of a representative to attend the Tour de Yorkshire Meeting on Wednesday January 13th at 6.30pm at Thirsk Town Hall. Cllr. Pollard volunteered.

15.247 Response to the Minerals and Waste Joint Plan. Owing to the complexity of a very lengthy report and the fact that there had been no consultation with parishioners it was agreed that individual responses were more appropriate than a Council response. Consideration would be given to hosting a meeting giving both sides of the fracking argument.

An email from a resident was read in full. It was agreed that a response would be made advising that the PC was in contact with Frack Free Ryedale but at present we had insufficient information on which to make a decision that would represent the whole parish.

15.248 To agree items for the next meeting's agenda, February 8th 2016.

Clerk's Report.

hmrc. Clarification regarding VAT reclaim for items paid by individuals on behalf of the PC, that the VAT receipt must be made to Sutton Parish Council and the purchase must be minuted.

Mini recycling centres to close in March 2016

Hambleton Community Awards. Nominations extended to 4th January 2016.

HDC Christmas Tree recycling. Green bin w/c January 11th 2016. Lid must be closed.

HDC. Local Plan Drop in Consultation. 14th January. 2pm – 6.30pm. Thirsk Town Hall Annexe.

HDC. Local Plan meeting for Councillors 25th January 2016. 7.30pm - 9pm. Town Hall.

Co-option of two Councillors. Nominations to be received by 30th January 2016.

YLCA. Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations.

YLCA. Advance notice re increase in Membership Subscriptions.

Security Policy. An updated form was signed by all Councillors.

Correspondence.

Message via website from Mr Waller requesting Parish Council to lobby NYCC against fracking.

Kevin Hollinrake MP. Visit by Andrew Jones MP. Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at Department for Transport on 11th January.