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Minutes of Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council Meeting on **Tuesday 12**th **October 2021**, **7.30pm** in Yapham Village Hall

Meeting 10/21

106/21 Present: Cllr Bradley (chair), Cllr Gray, Cllr Hammond, Cllr Jefferson-Hallett, Cllr Moverley, and the clerk. Cllr Bradley welcomed all then welcomed back the clerk from a prolonged period of being unwell.

107/21 Code of Conduct

- a) Declarations of Interest: Cllr Hammond extended his usual non-pecuniary interest in planning issues given his position on ERYC Committee. He can provide general planning advice but will not vote.
- b) Granting of any dispensations: None.

108/21 Public Participation: No members of the public were present.

109/21. Minutes: The minutes of meetings held on **10**th **August 2021** and **14**th **September 2021** were adopted as a true record and signed by the chair. Prop Cllr Gray. Seconded Cllr Hammond.

110/21 Matters arising:

- a) The topic of the Chemplus application to increase the number of heavy goods vehicles permitted by their licence was discussed. Cllrs have been approached, by parishioners, with reports of incidents involving said vehicles. Any future concerns about lorries being driven unsafely or incidents of a hazardous nature should be reported to the police by dialling the non-emergency telephone number '101' and quoting the licence plate number of the offending vehicle. **Agreed:** Contact Traffic Commissioner to see if they can update the status of the application. ACTION: Clerk.
- b) Cllr Hammond confirmed the grant application to ERYC has been submitted.

111/21 Planning: None

112/21 Finance & Accounts: Bank balance – £4723.66: Noted

The following payments were approved:

a) Clerk's salary for October: **Agreed:** Clerk to be awarded sick pay for the month of September.

113/21 Litter between Yapham and Meltonby: There has been a notable increase in littering on the stretch of verge between the Meltonby bus stop and allotment field nearer Yapham. Cllrs were disappointed to note this considering the efforts made to reduce littering with the addition of new bins

and regular litter picks involving parish volunteers. Thanks were extended to those who dispose of their rubbish responsibly and with consideration for others.

114/21 PC Laptop function: The clerk reported that her husband had managed to improve the memory function of the laptop, with parts from his personal, older machine, at no cost. He is an Information Technology expert and did not charge for his time either. He reports the PC laptop now has improved memory function but might need further work to improve speed and functionality in other areas. The clerk is happy with the result and can perform her tasks more effectively but is aware there is still technological slowness. Time will tell if further hardware purchase is required. Cllrs extended thanks Mr Rothwell-Inch.

115/21 Correspondence: Noted.

116/21 Councillors reports: Cllr Gray met with a small group of parishioners, on Friday 8th October 2021, concerned with the poor state of the church building. The meeting was also attended by two ladies from York University who have an interest in ancient buildings and have contact with the department of the church responsible for the issuing of grants. These ladies are Dr Louise Hampson, Research Fellow, Heritage Research and Partnerships and Dr Kate Giles FSA, Senior Lecturer Archaeology of Building. Six churches in the Diocese, have been put forward as being in dire need of repair and it seems ours is more in need than the others! It was left that they would inform the church authorities that urgent action is needed to prevent the loss of the stained-glass window, in the first instance, and the collapse of the wall to the rear of the building. Cllr Gray will keep the PC informed of progress while Cllrs Hammond and Jefferson-Hallett have volunteered to help with any associated projects.

Clir Hammond received a request from the church for a grass-cutting payment and asked that the matter be placed on the November agenda under Finance.

Potholes around Yapham Mill are now filled thanks to ERYC.

Afghan Refugees - ERYC is asking for donations of good quality children's furniture. They will arrange collection. Please email: removals.assistance@eastriding.gov.uk

Cllrs congratulated Cllr Hammond on his appointment to Chair of the ERYC Planning Committee.

117/21 Date of next meeting: Tuesday 9th November 2021.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm.