Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council

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Minutes of a meeting of Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council on 1st December 2015 in Yapham Village hall at 7.30pm

**Present**: Cllr P Arnold, Cllr P Bradley ( chairman), Cllr K Moverley, Cllr R O'Gram

Helen Reynolds, Rural Community Transport Officer, ERYC

J Green (clerk)

Cllr Bradley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Public Session**. Ms Reynolds explained that ERYC were keen to identify unmet transport needs. The Parish Council could do a survey of the needs within the Parish. ERYC would print the surveys and collate the results if the Parish Council would arrange for delivery and collection. Ms Reynolds suggested that it might be helpful to work with neighbouring parishes if unmet transport needs were identified.

**120/15 Apologies:** apologies were received from Cllr L Gray. Cllr O'Gram apologised that he had to leave the meeting early.

**121/15 To receive Declarations of Interest.**

**122/15 The minutes of the meeting held on 10th November 2015** were agreed as a true and accurate record and Cllr Bradley signed them as such on behalf of the council.

**123/15 To receive the clerk's report on matters being progressed from previous meetings.**

**Electronic working with the planning service:** ERYC had obtained funding to provide parish councils with projectors for viewing plans. The clerk was to collect one for this council.

**Planning matters:** no further information had been received regarding the Eastfield or Greenfield sites.

**Public Transport:** it was agreed that Cllr Arnold would edit a model transport survey which would identify unmet transport needs in the parish. ERYC would print copies of these and Councillors would deliver them after the January meeting.

**Neighbourhood Watch:** the group is waiting for ERYC Highways Dept. to approve the location of Neighbourhood Watch signs.

**Data Protection:** the clerk has asked for more information from ERNLLCA but had not received an answer yet.

**124/15** **To determine the precept for 2015/16 :** the clerk circulated a budget and explained the level of reserves recommended for parish councils. The precept had not been increased for some years. Cllr O'Gram proposed, Cllr Moverley seconded and it was agreed that the precept should be raised from £2500 to £2600.

**125/15 To consider what action, if any should be taken regarding the fallen tree at the allotments**

A small tree had fallen at the allotments as a result of recent high winds. Councillors had met with allotment holders and the neighbouring farmer to discuss who the tree belongs to. There had previously been confusion about the ownership and responsibility for maintenance of the boundary to the East of the Gravel Pit Field.

It was agreed at the site meeting that this boundary hedge belongs to the Parish Council.

Councillors agreed that the allotment holders should arrange for the removal of the fallen tree. When the tenancy agreement was due for renewal it should be revised to allow the allotment holders to maintain the hedge and remove any dead wood from the trees.

**126/15 Accounts**

Bank balance £2590.90

The payments below were approved:

ERNLLCA -clerk's training course £22.00

Zurich -insurance £251.85

Society of Local Council Clerks £30.76

Cllr O'Gram left the meeting at this point.

**127/15 Correspondence**

ERYC consultation re changes to Dog Control orders etc

ERYC review of winter services policy

ERYC re issues arising from Walkabout - Cllr Arnold to complete the survey.

ERYC re Connect to Support website

ERNLLCA newsletter

Humberside Police Bulletin - December

Tesco Local Community Scheme

**128/15 Councillors reports**

Cllr Arnold had received a complaint about mud on the road and the damage to the road and verges at the entrance to the new farmstead between Yapham and Yapham Mill. The clerk was asked to report these to ERYC.

Cllr Moverley reported that there had been some fly tipping, including a mattress on the roadside which he had reported to ERYC. It had now been removed.

**129/15 Date of next meeting and meeting dates for 2016**

The next meeting would be on 12th January. It was agreed to continue with the second Tuesday in the month for meetings during 2016.

The meeting closed at 915pm.