Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council

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Minutes of a meeting of Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council on 13th January 2015 in Yapham Village hall at 7.30pm

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

Ward Cllr D Rudd, J. Green (clerk).

**Public Session.** Cllr Rudd gave a summary of current ERYC issues. Superfast broadband is being rolled out and it is expected that 95% of the East Riding will have access to it by 2017. The ERYC element of the council tax was to be frozen for a further year. Work is underway on the A1079 roundabout at Market Weighton and expected to be completed in April 2015.

**1/15 Welcome and Apologies**. Cllr Bradley welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Ward Cllr A Burton.

**2/15 Declaration of Interest. The Parish Councils Code of Conduct. To record any declarations of interest by any member in respect of items on this agenda.** There were no declarations of interest

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**3/15 The minutes of meetings held on 9th December 2014** were agreed as a true and accurate record and Cllr Bradley signed them as such on behalf of the council.

**4/15 To receive the clerk's report on matters being progressed from previous meetings.**

**Planning Enforcement issues:** a reply had been received from the principal enforcement officer regarding the site to the west of Yapham Hall Farm, Feoffee Lane known as The Paddock. A final warning letter had been sent to the occupier and the council would now consider enforcement action unless a planning application was received. The decision on what action to take would be at the discretion of ERYC but the parish council would be informed of the decision.

An initial letter had also been sent from the planning department regarding a caravan at Alder Lodge.

**Website and Transparency Code for smaller authorities:** the clerk reported that the website would be out of action for a couple of days this month whilst routine maintenance was carried out by ERYC.

A new Transparency Code was to come into force this year whereby details of the councils accounts would have to be posted on the website. This would replace the routine external audit of smaller councils. Councillors were concerned about the end of routine external audits. The clerk was to ask ERNLLCA for more information.

**Councillor Vacancy:** the vacancy was to be advertised on the notice-boards and the website. As it was less than 6 months to the election this should be filled by co-option.

**5/15** N**otice of approval of planning application 14/02416/PLF** for erection of an agricultural building on land north east and north west of Yapham Cricket Club was received. It was noted that councillors were very disappointed by this decision which went against the views expressed by parishioners.

**6/15 Accounts**

Clerk's salary Dec 14 £105.09

Clerk's salary Jan 15 £112.51

HMRC months 7-9 £69.00

Yapham Parish Hall Fund £70.00

L Gray Photocopying £5.00

**7/15 Correspondence**

ERYC re flood liaison group meeting on 20 March.

Humberside Police Wolds Weighton & Pocklington Update Jan 15

Police Inspector re improved communications

ERNLLCA re Local Council Award Scheme & request for members of accreditation panel

East Riding Parish News Jan 15

Yorkshire Water re reduced water bills

ERYC re code of conduct - it was agreed to review this after the election

Clerks and Councils Direct magazine

ERYC re control of dog fouling

**8/15 Councillors reports:** there were no reports from councillors

**9/15The following Dates of 2015 meetings were proposed:**

10 February

10 March

14 April

12 May

9 June

14 July

11 August

8 September

13 October

10 November

8 December

**10/15 Cllr Gray proposed , Cllr Moverley seconded and it was agreed that the press and public should be excluded owing to the confidential nature of the business to be resolved.**

**11/15 The clerk's contract and recent national recent pay award were reviewed**. It was noted that the clerk had provided evidence of adequate insurance cover for visitors to her home. Her probationary period of employment had been satisfactorily completed.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.