Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council

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Minutes of a meeting of Yapham cum Meltonby Parish Council on 9th December 2014 in Yapham Village hall at 7.30pm

**Present**: Cllr P Bradley (chair),Cllr J Ackerley, Cllr L Gray, Cllr K Moverley, Cllr R O'Gram, Cllr J Wilcock, Ward Cllr D Rudd, J. Green (clerk) and 3 members of the public.

**Public Session.** No members of the public wished to address the meeting.

**186/14 Welcome and Apologies**. Cllr Bradley welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr P Arnold.

**187/14 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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**188/14 The minutes of meetings held on 4th November and 18th November 2014** were agreed as a true and accurate record and Cllr Bradley signed them as such on behalf of the council.

**189/14 To receive the clerk's report on matters being progressed from previous meetings.**

**Website** - Mr & Mrs Muirhead had kindly agreed to gather information from the community and send it to the clerk for posting on the website.

**Overflowing ditch opposite village hall** -the ditch and pipe under the road had been cleared and work was continuing on repairing the surface water drains in Yapham. It was agreed that the clerk should write and thank ERYC for this work. There was still concern regarding the small size of the pipe under the road.

**Enforcement issues -** the clerk had heard from the enforcement officer to say he was meeting with the solicitor regarding these planning issues but had heard nothing further. It was reported that articulated lorries were visiting The Paddock site on Feoffee lane and there seemed to be a business operating from this site. Ward Cllr Rudd offered to intervene at ERYC on behalf of the council regarding the three sites in question.

Councillors felt that the lack of enforcement was undermining the whole planning process in the parish.

**Yapham Mill village sign** - the Highways Maintenance Department at ERYC were looking into the possible repositioning of the sign.

**190/14 To consider making a contribution towards the clerk's membership of the Society of Local Council Clerks** - it was agreed to contribute £32.77 towards the clerk's subscription.

**191/14 To set the precept for 2015/16 -** the clerk circulated a summary of last year's and this year's income and expenditure. She pointed out that there would be an election in the coming year and there would be costs even if it was uncontested. It was agreed that the council had built up a healthy reserve and that there was no need for an increase in the precept. It was to remain at £2500.

**192/14 Accounts -** the current bank balance was £4593.70. The following payments were approved:

Zurich Municipal - insurance £243.80

J Green clerk's salary November £126.54

J Ackerley - newsletter £5.00

**193/14 Correspondence**

ERYC re traveller and gypsy encampments - there had been no encampments in the last year.

ERYC Chairman's awards

ERYC re Lifeline Telecare Service

East Riding Parish News November

Community Partnership re defibrillators - it was agreed that due to the spread out nature of the parish and the closeness to Pocklington Ambulance station that a defibrillator was not appropriate.

North Ferriby - East YorkshireVillagers at War

ERNLLCA Newsletter

ERYC re dealing with antisocial behaviour

**194/14 Councillors' reports**

Cllr O'Gram reported that the chevron markers near Yapham Mill had been damaged in an accident.

Cllr Gray read out a letter from the owners of the caravan site on Feoffee Lane explaining that they had installed a new water treatment works and thanking the council for their support.

Cllr Moverley reported that some of the signs had dropped off the telephone box. He would replace them in spring when conditions were less damp.

Ward Cllr Rudd reported on work on the A1079, and free car parking at ERYC parks on the 3 weekends before Christmas. Although ERYC had to make further savings the ERYC element of the council tax was not to increase in the coming year.

**195/14 To receive Cllr Ackerley's resignation and appoint another bank signatory.** Cllr Bradley thanked Cllr Ackerley for his many years of service . Cllr Gray paid tribute to his contribution and said that his experience and knowledge would be missed. Cllr Ackerley was to produce one more newsletter after which the newsletter would be incorporated into the website.

It was agreed that Cllr Bradley should be the third bank signatory and a new bank mandate was completed.

**196/14 Date of Next meeting and meeting start times.**

It was agreed that the meeting time should remain at 7.30pm.

The next meeting would be on the **13th January 2015.**