

# ELSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the meeting of Elsham Parish Council held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023 commencing at 7.00pm, at the Village Hall Elsham

Present: Chair - Cllr Horner  
Cllr Mark Wood, Cllr Jane Ewen, Cllr Sarah Burton and Cllr Steve Moir  
Clerk – Holly Hanson  
Ward Councillors Carl and Nigel Sherwood

No members of the public attended.

### 22/23 - 0601 Apologies

Reasons for apologies were accepted from Cllr Sandra Van Oosterhout.

### 22/23 - 0602 Public Participation

There was no Public Participation.

### 22/23 - 0603 Declaration of Interest

- a) Cllr Mark Wood declared an interest in agenda item 23/24 – 0608 a) i) Planning Application No: PA/2023/737  
Cllr Andrew Horner declared an interest in agenda item 23/24 – 0612 g) payment of expenses  
Cllr Jane Ewen declared an interest in agenda item 23/24 – 0612 h) payment of expenses
- b) No dispensations given.

### 22/23 - 0604 Minutes of Previous meeting

Resolved – That the minutes of the Annual Parish and Parish Council meetings, both held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 were reviewed and agreed as an accurate and true record and signed accordingly.

### 22/23 – 0605 Report from Ward Councillors

- a) Cllr Carl Sherwood gave an update stating that a highways and drainage walkabout was planned for the coming weeks, date TBC.  
Officers are aware of the issues with drainage on Barnetby Lane and there is a plan to improve the gully and drain on the hill, however drainage works will not commence until all building works on the new houses have been completed.  
There will be free swimming sessions for under 16's throughout the Summer holidays at all NLC pools.  
NLC's target of planting 150,000 trees has nearly been achieved, with 114,000 planted to date. The target has now been increased to 250,000.  
Speaking on the Ancholme Way, the section between Saxby and Horkstow has been cleared of vegetation, however there is no solid path on this section.  
Councillors raised that the Ancholme Way was very overgrown in sections – Ward Councillors to report.  
Councillors raised speeding through the village. Cllr Horner asked if the 30mph limit could be moved from the bottom of the hill on Barnetby Lane to the top, near the junction with Newland Hill. Cllr Moir raised speeding on Church Street and suggested a 20mph limit near Holme Farm. Ward Councillors said there would have to be support from residents for a 20mph limit and evidence of excessive speed and that sometimes public perceptions of speed were not accurate, but both of these can be discussed with Highways when they come for their walkabout.

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## 22/23 - 0606 Highways, Drainage, Footpaths and NLC issues

- a) Councillors discussed the following outstanding issues:
  - i) Chevron signs on Middlegate Lane – No update
  - ii) Resurfacing on Church Street – No update
  - iii) Drainage on Barnetby Lane and New Street – See above update
- b) Councillors raised the following issues around the Village:

Water is coming through the road on the newly resurfaced section of Front Street – Clerk to report.  
There is a broken branch hanging down over the Doll Lane snickett, several of the trees are also overhanging and appear unsafe, and there is a concrete fence post leaning into the snickett – Clerk to report.

The weight limit signs on Barnetby Lane from Barnetby Top are obscured by overgrown hedges – Clerk to report.

The inter-town cuts have not been completed around Elsham.

The white line painting still hasn't been completed following road resurfacing - Clerk to chase with NLC

## 22/23 – 0607 Police Matters / Neighbourhood watch / NATs

- a) Councillors discussed that there had been a house burglary in the Village and several Quad Bike thefts in the area

## 22/23 - 0608 Planning

- a) Councillors discussed the following planning applications received:
  - i) Application No:PA/2023/737  
Proposal: :Listed building consent for repairs and alterations to courtyard outbuildings, demolition of modern garages, construction of lean-to greenhouse and construction of single-storey rear extension of a garden room and swimming pool  
Site Location: Elsham Hall, Elsham, BRIGG, DN20 0QZ

Resolved – No Comments or objections

- b) No planning decisions received

Cllr Mark Wood left the meeting at 7:55pm.

- c) Councillors discussed response to the following Planning Appeal.
  - i) Application No: PA/2022/1495  
Inspectorate's Ref: APP/Y2003/W/22/331541  
Proposal: :Planning permission to a detached dwelling and detached double garage  
Site Location: The Old Cottage, 32 Church Street, Elsham, DN20 0RG

Resolved – To submit a further statement of objection for the following reasons:

It is a repetition of the previous planning application that was refused, and refused at appeal.  
The site is outside the development boundary  
The development is not sustainable as there are no local facilities that can be accessed without the use of a car.

Cllr Mark Wood rejoined the meeting at 8:05pm

## 22/23 - 0609 – Parish Projects, Reports and other Parish Matters

- a) Councillors received the following monthly inspections and reports:

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- i) Play area – Cllr Ewen reported that the mole deterrent spike had been turned off and that the toddler swings were being cleaned of bird droppings regularly – Clerk to investigate pigeon spikes for the top of the swings .
- ii) Elsham Nature Reserve – Cllr Ewen reported that Nelipak had done a fantastic job collecting up the tree tubes, which are now awaiting collection by Tubex. There had also been a BBQ in the Quarry last week, despite new signage.
  - a) Councillors discussed purchasing a strimmer for use in the Nature reserve. Cllr Wood to obtain quotes for the July meeting.
- iii) Village Asset Checklists were received from Cllrs van Oosterhout, Wood, Burton and Horner – It was highlighted that the Front Street sign needs attention – Clerk to get quote for repair
- b) Councillors discussed the budget for village planting, noting that some additional volunteers had come forward.

Resolved – A budget of £200 was resolved for the forthcoming month
- c) Councillors discussed the location of a Village Herb Planter.

Resolved – A budget of £175 was resolved for the purchase of a planter and herbs, which will be located at the Village Hall
- d) Councillors discussed relocation of Salt Bin on the Church Triangle on Front Street and it was agreed to place it under the street name sign
- e) Councillors discussed articles for submission to the Low Villages News
- f) There were other Parish Matters.

## 22/23 – 0610 Clerk’s Report

- a) Clerk reported on any items requiring attention since the May meeting on any subject not separately on the Agenda.

## 22/23 – 0611 Accounts

- a) Current financial position reviewed by all Councillors.

Resolved – That the Financial Summary and Bank Reconciliation be noted and signed by Cllr Van Oosterhout.
  - b) Bank statements reviewed by all Councillors.

Resolved – That the document be noted and signed by Cllr Van Oosterhout.
- Councillors noted the following invoices already paid:
- c) 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 – Sissons Gardening Services – Grass Cutting - £691.65 (Local Government (miscellaneous provisions) Act 1976, s19; Highways Act 1980; s96 & Public Health Act, s164)
  - d) 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 – Cllr Sandra Van Oosterhout – Planters - £58.98 (Public Health Act, s164)
  - e) 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 – Balfours – Play Area Rent - £30.00 (Public Health Act, s164)
  - f) 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 – Kyanite – New Website - £378.37 (Local Government Act 1972, s142)
  - g) 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 – Cllr A Horner – Planting - £103.57 (Public Health Act, s164)
  - h) 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 – Cllr Jane Ewen – Planter - £47.99 (Public Health Act, s164)
  - i) No other payments were presented

## 22/23 – 0612 Ongoing, Minor Items, Correspondence and Agenda Items for the next meeting

- a) There was no progress on items not requiring decision and resolution, not otherwise detailed on the agenda.
- b) No correspondence received
- c) No items of correspondence had been received since the agenda was posted.
- d) No items were put forward for the July meeting.

## 22/23 - 0613 Date and time of forthcoming meetings

- a) The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

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**To consider the exclusion of the public due to the confidential nature of the items to be discussed.**

a) To pay Clerk's wages and expenses.

Resolved – To pay Clerk's salary and expenses (Local Government Act 1972, s112).