

MINUTES OF HUGGATE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 12th May 2025 held in St. Mary Church

In attendance

Clive Owen (Chair), Jane Thorpe, Claire Myers and Kevin Ashurst

Penny Hudson - Clerk

1. Clive Owen was unanimously re-appointed as Chairman.
2. Apologies were received from Linda Davies (due to illness), Diana Evans and Vicky Knocker (due to personal issues).
3. Minutes of the Council meeting held on 14th April were approved and signed.
4. There were no declarations of interest in respect of any agenda item.
5. Matters arising – none
6. Finance - Penny confirmed the bank balance and budget. The following payments were agreed:
 - a) Clerks wages for Mar/Apr of 27 hours
 - b) £81.40 to HMRC for tax due on wages
 - c) £52 to clerk for ICO Data Protection fee
 - d) £18.03 to C. Myers for dog poo bags and fixture.
7. Planning – Penny has sent a notice of a breach of planning regulations to ERYC regarding current activities at Huggate Quarry. She has contacted the area Planning Enforcement Officer, Caroline Evans, who will be investigating the issues raised.
8. Village Maintenance
 - a) An additional Litter bin will be purchased from and installed by ERYC. It will be situated on Pocklington Lane past the 30mph sign. Claire to discuss plan with Mr and Mrs Cowlam.
 - b) The path at the side of the Island will be reported during the Village walkabout in the summer.
 - c) The Ultra Trails grant of £250 will be used to purchase two replacement trees, to be planted in the autumn, near the ponds where the ash trees have been removed. The tree on Stocks Hill still needs to be removed. A sign will be ordered to acknowledge the donation.
 - d) ERYC have issued charges for salt bin maintenance. Penny to check if each bin requires a ERYC routine maintenance visit and the total cost.
9. Room Hire and website work charges. It was agreed to review the use of the church for meetings in September and plan for the additional heating charges. Vicky currently maintains the Village website for the Parish Council for which we are very grateful. The needs of the Church will place additional work for her and this will be considered at the next meeting.
10. Speed Reduction – all requests have now been refused by ERYC. The cardboard Traffic Policeman will be on show at the Village meeting and placed on the roadside at random times. Penny to find the cost of a “Ducks Crossing” sign.
11. Annual Village Meeting 4th June 7pm in St Marys’ Church. The format will be similar to last year. However the issues regarding Huggate Quarry will be outlined and discussed. Wild flower seeds donated by Ultra Trails will be available to attendees. Our Ward councillors will be invited to attend.
12. Mail – none received.
13. Items for Huggate News – Village Meeting. Painted tiles, Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) Consultation. The updated Village information leaflet will be posted on the website when available and Linda will give copies to new residents. The Artwork photos are on the website.
14. Next meeting Monday 16th June 2025 at 7pm in the church.

Penny Hudson – Parish clerk