

MINUTES OF HUGGATE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 19th Sept in the JuliArnos Room

In attendance

Clive Owen, Jane Thorpe, Sophia Hobson, Stewart Middleton, Kevin Ashurst

Penny Hudson and
Abby Popely Clerks

1. Apologies were received from Pete Cowan due to work and Claire Myers and Vicky Knocker due to personal circumstances.
2. Minutes from the Council meeting on 18th July were approved.
3. There were no declarations of interest in respect of any agenda item.
4. Matters arising: Marquee info to be put on website; outstanding councillors form to be completed
5. Finance – Penny confirmed bank balance and the following payments were agreed:
 - a) 16.5 hours to clerk for July and August
 - b) 9 hours to new clerk July and August
 - c) £72.60 to HMRC for clerk's tax
 - d) £16 to Pocklington Town Council for councillor training
 - e) £75.02 to C. Owen for marquee storage boxes
 - f) £90 to A Popely for mileage
 - g) £90 to Play Safety Ltd for ROSPA inspection
 - h) Assets register updated following audit recommendations
Vat refund claim of £520.59 submitted
Queries raised from annual audit have been addressed
6. Planning – no planning applications or notifications were received.
7. Contract for new clerk signed.
8. The Community Governance Review was discussed and agreed. The proposal is to reduce the number of councillors from 9 to 7 in May 2027. These changes affect all similar parishes.
9. Village maintenance / issues – the Village Walkabout has taken place and the feedback received and approved. A new litter bin has been installed. The play area has been inspected and the ROSPA report was reviewed. The few minor issues are being resolved.
10. The accessible bench and path for the car park is still being progressed by ERYC
11. Defibrillator – the village defibrillator will be registered with the Ambulance service system and pads and batteries replaced when needed. A defibrillator training session is still to be arranged.
12. Bus shelter Artwork – it is waiting to be assembled, materials will be ordered and it will be placed in the centre of the back wall.
13. The village Whats App groups- it was agreed that after 3 years they are working well and no changes will be made. Having two, one for information and one for social, gives villagers the option of being part of one or both.
14. Mail – all the following were noted and appropriate actions taken a) ROSPA play area inspection report b) Notification of road closure c) Bus route seminar d) Help for Households.
15. Huggate News – Bus shelter artwork, ROSPA feedback, new litter bin, road closure, bus seminar and defibrillator training.
16. Next meeting 24th October. Clerk – Penny Hudson