

# Carlton Husthwaite Village Committee

## Minutes of a meeting held in the Village Hall, Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015

**Attending:** Christine Spalding (Chair), Richard Ford (Secretary), Hilary Bell (Treasurer), Di Aspinall, Erica Cornish, Gladys Howard, Sarah Lees.

**Apologies:** Anne Harrison

**Minutes of the last meeting were approved.** Proposed SL Seconded GH

### **Matters arising:**

**Traffic/roads:** Secretary advised that, despite pressure from ourselves and local councillor, Caroline Pattmore, no progress has been made. RF read out an email from CP concerning a somewhat unsatisfactory site meeting she had had with a representative from Thirsk Highways at which the best that could be offered was the possible filling of the potholes in the verges with hard-core. There has subsequently been no sign of this happening. It was agreed RF would write to County Councillor Dadd, who oversees Highways (and lives locally) with a further plea for action.

### **Village Green trees maintenance:**

Secretary advised that, after much correspondence with the local authority, maintenance work on the trees should commence on 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Work to be done by Martin Duckworth from Sessay, who is an experienced tree surgeon.

### **Planning/Settlement Hierarchy questionnaire**

CS gave a detailed point by point resume of a questionnaire which we are required to submit to the local authority and full agreement was reached as to how each question should be responded to. Proposed EC Seconded DA

### **Chairperson's Report:**

No report.

**Correspondence:**

Letters received from NYCC re budgets for libraries and proposals for future major libraries and community libraries. Letters also from NYCC re bus contracts, and from Hambleton and Richmondshire CAB.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Balance £1054.55 including £250 (jubilee tree). Insurance to pay shortly. Confirmation of precept awaited. Agreed we would make a decision with regard to jubilee tree after completion of pruning work on green.

**Christmas tree:**

Agreed that EC would thank Mr and Mrs Smith for the provision of this year's tree. At our October meeting we will discuss arrangements for next year's tree.

**Any other business:**

Neighbourhood watch scheme does not appear to be working very well. John Butler remains co-ordinator but it seems information is slow to reach him. No specific action taken. Efforts will be made to repair/replace fence around 'the rose' on the village green.

**Date and time of next meeting:**

Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015