

Hutton Cranswick Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Methodist Chapel Hall, Main Street, Cranswick, on Wednesday, 25th May, 2016 at 6.45 pm.

There is a duty under the Local Government Act 1972 Schedule 12 Paragraph 14 for residents to hold an Annual Parish Meeting (annual assembly) of local government electors. It is not a Parish Council Meeting, but if the Chairman of the Parish Council is present they must chair the meeting

Present: Cllr Richardson, (Chair), Cllr Ms Dams, Cllr Mrs Johnson, Cllr Mrs Mills, Cllr Scullion, Cllr Mrs Simpson, Cllr Swan, Cllr Thompson, Cllr Wardell, Cllr Poolford and Cllr Mrs Taylor arrived after the start of the meeting
Additionally attending: Ward Cllr Mrs Jane Evison, Ward Cllr Paul Lisseter.

Apologies were recorded from Cllr Sibley-Calder, Ward Cllr Jonathon Owen and the clerk.

Councillor Mrs Simpson recorded the minutes

1 To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday, 26th May, 2015
 Proposed Cllr Swan, seconded Cllr Thompson and unanimously agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2 To receive the Chairman's address:
 The Chairman welcomed five new Councillors who had taken up office during the year – Cllr Ms Dams, Cllr Mrs Johnson, Cllr Swan, Cllr Mrs Taylor and Cllr Thompson.

The Parish Clerk of over 20 years' standing, Mrs Gail Newlove, had retired at the end of 2015 and her post had been taken by Stephen Sanderson, a long-term village resident with considerable local knowledge.

The Parish was intending to honour the Queen's 90th Birthday with an afternoon Tea Party for residents.

Village residents had been active in many voluntary/community activities throughout the year, including the "In Bloom" group which had secured a Yorkshire Rose Gold Award, and tied joint winners (with Barwick in Elmet) in their Category at the Annual Yorkshire In Bloom Awards Ceremony in York in the Autumn of 2015.

3 To receive Councillors' Reports:
Hutton Cranswick In Bloom Annual Report

April 2015. Spring portfolio completed and mailed to the Judges together with location maps for the rendezvous point at the SRA Clubhouse. Posters and media publicity advertise Judging Tour details.

Results of Village Spring Competitions:

Garden Competition – "Brightest & Best" – winners Redfearn family

2nd prize – Sarah Fetches Highly Commended – Jill Shipley

Photographic Competition – "Visitors in my Garden" – winner Lynn Hall

2nd prize – Pat Waddington Highly Commended – Richard Alderton

Shields and certificates were presented to prize winners at the SRA Clubhouse on the occasion of the YIB Spring Judging Thursday 16th April.

Results of YIB Spring Judging will be posted out and will appear on the YIB website on Saturday 16th May 2015. Thanks to all the group and residents who have contributed in any way to a most successful "In Bloom" year.

June 2015. On June 9th the Rainbows & Brownies spent an evening planting up various displays for the summer. Rainbows brightened up tubs on the Green with a selection of marigolds and petunias kindly donated by Cranswick Garden Centre and also made additions to the planters outside Spar shop and cleared weeds and rubbish from the area. They then planted up a selection of small troughs to be displayed for the summer Judging Tour.

Brownies planted up wooden troughs at the top of Main Street and also outside Chapel.

On 19th June Scouts arrived at the Station armed with paintbrushes and painted all white kerbing to the Garden beds

Results of Village Summer Competitions:

Garden Competition – “The prettiest summer hanging basket, wall basket or container was won by Glynis Jenner in Sheepman, with 2nd prize to Chris & Joyce Saverton of Laburnum Avenue and Highly Commended to Stan Guiliam of Hotham Road

Photographic Competition – “The most beautiful flower in my garden” – Winner Glynis Jenner 2nd prize Eileen Denison and Highly Commended Lynn Hall

July 2015. On July 1st a visit to Hutton Cranswick Station was made by Julia Clayton of Northern Rail together with a colleague from ScotRail, in which VIB demonstrated the effectiveness of voluntary groups working in close partnership with Community Rail.

Judging Day 2 July by Sheila Johnson and Jane Macaulay. The village was well supported by Special Category entrants James White (Butchers), Paul Harrison Cars (both 8Ba), Southlands Residential Home (6) and Hutton Cranswick Playgroup (11) – also by individual vintage vehicle/tractor displays by Harry Berriman, John Scholey and Mike Harper, and thanks go to Broach Hill Garage for providing a touring vehicle for Judging Day.

September 2015. 6 members of Hutton Cranswick in Bloom attended the **YIB 2016 Awards**

Ceremony at York Racecourse, seated alongside the Chairman of ERYC Peter Turner and The Facilities Manager for Sewerby Hall, Martin Burnhill. The Village entry was awarded a **Gold Rose Award** and nominated as **Joint Category Winners** in company with Barwick in Elmet. All the Special Category entrants were awarded a Silver Gilt Certificate together with very positive comments from the Judges.

21st September – VIB Committee Meeting for general discussion and planning for 2016.

October 2015. 9th October **Official opening of the “new” school garden**, attended by Staff, P.C. Chair and members of VIB.

Coffee morning at Cranswick Garden Centre for all VIB members and supporters, provided by Ray and Carolyn Sharpe and greatly appreciated: thanks were expressed for all the help that had forthcoming throughout the year.

26th October – a number of members attended a talk, slide show and question time about Sewerby Hall and Gardens organised by Drifffield in Bloom where the guest speaker was Martin Burnhill of ERYC.

Hutton Cranswick Playgroup Children created attractive winter displays in the green troughs in Main Street, planting cyclamen, violas, bellis and spring bulbs.

December 2015/January 2016. The village entry for YIB 2016 was submitted, together with entries on behalf of James the Butcher, Paul Harrison Car Sales, and Hutton Cranswick Fisheries. Both Hutton Cranswick Playgroup and Hutton Cranswick Primary School submitted their own entries for the “Young People’s Award”. **Committee Meeting** held in January.

February 2016. Advice received from the YIB Executive that, due to flooding/adverse weather conditions which had affected many potential entrants, a choice afforded to opt out of Spring Judging. Group replied asking for clarification as to what this meant portfolio and judging-wise.

March 2016. Comprehensive letter with 10 attachments received from YIB including details of prospective Judges: upon contacting senior Judge (John Stanley) on 1st March it was decided, after discussion, that Hutton Cranswick would opt to be judged only in Summer 2016, but that the offer of a “mentoring” visit later in the Spring might be of assistance. Considerable delays experienced in re-erecting bird boxes (2 old and 4 new) in Centenary Wood, and also in “kerbing” the bed at Cranswick pond due to inclement weather. Bird boxes for school have been donated by a Hutton resident and will be erected by the School Gardening Club.

Village Spring Competition information circulated in Bulletin and in local Press: this year it was decided to have a junior category in the Photographic Competition and details of this were circulated directly to H.C. Primary School. War Memorial surround completely refurbished by the Parish Council and the garden completely re-planted. **“Clean for the Queen”** was accomplished, in conjunction with the W.I. on 5th March. £168 was raised for funds from a stall at the **Home & Garden Fair** on Driffeld Showground on 20th March.

April 2016

Chris Scott from Bishop Burton visited Centenary Wood and produced guidance notes as to future maintenance to be considered at the April P.C. Meeting.

Spring competitions: disappointingly there were no junior entries for the **Photographic Competition**, but the adult winner of “Nature in the Garden” was Alan Lowe with a splendid photographic of a fox relaxing in the sunshine in his garden. Runner up was Lynn Hall. In the **Garden Competition** the winner was Mr Dennis Cooper of Howl Lane, 2nd were Geoffrey & Yvonne Wren of Londesborough Road and Highly Commended were Judy & Martin Jobling of Shepherd’s Fold.

Cllr Wardell reported that the **Hutton Cranswick SRA** is running smoothly with many sporting and other regular activities. These include monthly Quiz nights, Caravan Rallies, The Ryedale Charity cycle ride weekend (16th/17th July), and a forthcoming dance/music event on 4th June featuring a group known as “Dark Moon”. There were on-going efforts to improve the Sports Field pitches and the Association was now purchasing its own equipment to help with regular maintenance of the play surfaces.

4 Open Forum & Questions

Criticism had been raised verbally by a resident unable to attend the meeting regarding on-going damage to the verges of Howl Lane, and speeding vehicles which caused a pedestrian hazard. The Police had been informed and had spoken to offenders. The situation was being closely monitored.

There being no members of the public present and thus no questions from the floor the meeting closed at 6.55 p.m.