

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF SNAITH AND COWICK TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 21ST MARCH 2016 AT 26 MARKET PLACE

SNAITH

PRESENT

Cllr. S. Jones (Town Mayor), Cllr. J. Staveley – Churton, Cllr. J. Barrett, Cllr. R. Lyons, Cllr. D. Butterfield, Cllr. J. Hollas, Cllr. D. Bromley

Also present East Riding Councillor C. Fox 4 members of the General Public

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Copies of the minutes of the parish meeting held on Monday 23rd March 2015 were handed to the public and circulated to council members prior to the meeting. The Minutes were then confirmed and signed by the Town Mayor. Proposed Cllr. J. Barrett seconded Cllr. J. Hollas and agreed.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. D. Hill, Cllr. G. Hulme, Cllr. C. Fox and Mr S. McKiernan

TOWN MAYORS REPORT

I would like to begin by thanking the Town Clerk Vicky and the assistant Town Clerk Nicola for their support and assistance throughout the year without whom the job would be impossible.

Welcome to the three new Councillors David Bromley, David Butterfield and Debbie Hill. The year so far!

May 2015

New waste bin liners were fitted to several bins throughout Snaith and East and West Cowick.

June 2015

Summer Market and the 600th Anniversary of the signing of the Magna Carta. A fantastic well attended event where children came in fancy dress as Knights, Princes and Princesses, Robin Hood and Lady Marion. Fairground rides and more stalls than ever packed the Priory Church, High Street and Market Place.

July 2016

Newland Bridge Road Closure and the introduction of the one-way system.
New CCTV System installed providing an improved service at reduced expense.

August 2015

VJ Service Organised by Councillor John Staveley Churton at The Priory of St Lawrence, Snaith.

September 2015

New street light fitted on George Street near Ramsker Walk with the support of Councillor John Barrett.

Netting fitted behind the goal on the Junior Playing Field next to the school on Bourn Mill Balk Road.

October 2015

New waste bin installed on Buttermarket.
Harron Homes Public Consultation

November 2015

Snaith and Cowick Youth Club First Anniversary celebrated by visiting Selby Bowl. Many thanks to all the Councillors who have volunteered to supervise over the last 18 months with particular credit to Councillor Richard Lyons.

Remembrance Parade from the Methodist Chapel to the Priory Church. Many thanks to Rector Eleanor Robertshaw and the church wardens.

Environment Agency River Aire flood defence work completed. Thanks must go to Andrew Percy, John Barrett, Caroline Fox and Snaith and Cowick Town Councillors for securing this work before the Boxing Day flooding that occurred throughout Yorkshire.

Grant Funding Requests from many active Community Groups in Snaith and Cowick.

Snaith and Cowick press release created by Imagen thanks to Ann Gray and Drax

Snaith and Cowick featured in Howdenshire Life Magazine.

Drax Awards Evening when Graham Hulme and Keith Greenwood credited for their achievement in promoting Snaith and Cowick walks.

Grass cutting contract renewed.

December 2015

Snaith and Cowick Christmas Market was a huge success with more visitors than ever before. Many thanks to Terence Smith, Deputy Mayor of Goole Town Council, the youngest Deputy Mayor in the country. Many thanks to the CO-OP for their £1000 sponsorship.

New waste bin on Bourn Mill Balk Road close to the Primary School.

Flood Warning Issued by the Environment Agency on Boxing Day. Water was 1 metre below the bank top on Ferry Lane on the evening's high tide. Thanks again to all in achieving the new flood defence works which now appear to protect Snaith from the combined effects of extreme weather conditions and high tides.

January 2016

Snaith and Cowick Town Precept set for 2016/2017 with no increase on 2015/2016.

February 2016

New Bus Shelter installed on Selby Road.

March 2016

New windows fitted to the Town Council Offices.

April 2016

Clean for the Queen Litter Pick.

St. George's Day Celebration and the Queens 90TH birthday, featuring Beverley Male Voice Choir at the Priory of St. Lawrence on the 23rd April 2016. Many thanks to Eleanor and Paul and The Rotary Club of Goole.

Council matters which are ongoing:

Noise issues from The Shooting School

HGV's travelling through Snaith and Cowick

Planning applications

Youth Club staffing

Playing fields

Local Development Plan

Snaith in Bloom

Mayor's Engagements

Lord Lieutenant Reception at Burton Agnes Hall.

High Sherriff's Law Society Service at Hull Trinity Church.

Civic Services at Beverley, Goole, Hedon, Hessle, Market Weighton, Pocklington, Bridlington and Hornsea.

Agincourt 600 Year Celebration at Beverley Minster.

Chairman of the East Riding Pantomime at Bridlington Spa.

Google Town Mayors Charity Evening.

Snaith Civic Service.

RAF Waddington Spitfire fly past.

Snaith and District Choral Society.

The Snaith School Awards Evenings at the Priory of St Lawrence.

Snaith Hall Easter Day.

100th Anniversary of Snaith WI.

Christian Aid Abseil from the Priory.

Race Night at the Brewers Arms.

The St. George's Day Celebration at St Lawrence Priory on 23rd April commencing at 6.30pm. offers an evening of musical entertainment from Beverley Male Voice Choir with Cheese and Wine refreshments. The evening is being compered by David Hinde, the Bridlington Town Crier who is appearing in the new Dad's Army film. Everyone is welcome for a great evening.

The Mayor's Awards will be presented on the evening by the Chairman of the East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

The Lord Lieutenant of the East Riding will toast the Queen's 90th Birthday.

REPORTS FROM ORGANISATIONS

EAST RIDING COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr. S. Jones read a report on behalf of Cllr. C. Fox thanking the council for their support and highlighting work carried out on the Newland Bridge Closure, and the Cross Boarder highways Action Group.

Cllr. J. Barrett thanked the Town Council and Town Mayor Cllr. S. Jones for their continued support and highlighted work carried out on the Newland Bridge Project, Summer and Christmas Markets, Highways Maintenance as well as thanking all staff who work for the Town Council.

HUMBERSIDE POLICE

No Report was supplied to the meeting by Humberside Police. Noted

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Apologies given by Mr Heery – A report was read to the Town Council advising meetings were continuing to take place on a regular basis, with regular updates from Humberside Police. Noted

SNAITH AND COWICK TOGETHER REPORT

Firstly, I should like to thank the Mayor and Town Council for giving me this opportunity to share this year's achievements with the community. Our Steering Group has continued to meet every two months to monitor the work of the working groups and we have also submitted responses to ERYC's development plan for Snaith and Cowick and, more recently to the plans submitted to North Yorkshire Council for a proposed development for the haulage business based in Heck.

Community & Leisure Group

Ferry Lane Project

The final part of the Ferry Lane project was completed with the installation of a 'doggie bag' dispensers to provide bags for dog owners who 'forget' to bring one. This did help the

problem of dog fouling a little but it is still an enormous issue. The whole area was severely disrupted by the flood defence work, which has now finished, and East Riding has promised to reseed the area with wild flowers to replace the ones we planted with children from Snaith Primary.

Community Directory

This has been completed and distributed to all members of the community. We thank the Town Council for funding this.

The Community and Leisure Group has not met since the completion of the Community Directory, as we are struggling to find another project to work on. We would welcome any suggestions.

Transport, Town Centre, Traffic and Parking, Community Safety and Crime Group

A very quiet year, which has been dominated by the closure of the Drax link road due to the rebuilding of Newland Bridge.

Following a meeting with the Town Council, our joint proposals to improve road safety in Snaith and Cowick were put to the ERYC. We hoped that the reduced speed limits on the roads in and out of Snaith and Cowick that were installed when Drax link road was closed, would become permanent. Unfortunately, the ERYC did not agree and the limits have now been removed. The one way system through the centre has not been removed but is now subject to a trial until February 2017, before the decision about whether or not it should be made permanent.

After years of campaigning, a pedestrian crossing has been installed in East Cowick.

This group is also looking for more projects.

Heritage Group

This group has continued to function, and we are grateful to the Town Council for their generous grant towards the funding of Heritage Day. We had a very successful Heritage Day in September on the theme of Nursery Rhymes, when the highlights included a family treasure hunt, donkey rides, a performance by the children from Anna's Academy of Dance and Art work by the children (which was on display in the library).

We are in the early stages of planning this year's Heritage Day. It will be on

10th September and the theme will be 'Books', with a focus on

Literary anniversaries, including Beatrice Potter, Roald Dahl, and Jane Austen. If you have any ideas or suggestions for activities for Heritage Day or would like to help, please come along to our next meeting on Tuesday 28th June or, alternatively get in touch with Cath Hird before then.

Website

We are grateful to the town council for a grant to cover the costs of our website. Our secretary, Sheila Leigh, works hard to maintain it and keep it up to date. If you have not already done so, please take a few minutes to have a look.

And, finally, I should like to invite you all to our AGM on Wednesday 18th May at the Brewers Arms at 7:30pm. There will be a raffle and a quiz by Jenny Machin, with the AGM in the interval. Please come and bring a team.

SNAITH COMMUNITY PLANING FIELDS ASSOCIATION

Apologies given from Mr Steve McKiernan.

SNAITH COMMUNITY SPORTS HALL

A report from Snaith Community Sports Hall was read to the meeting by the Town Clerk.
Noted.

BALANCE SHEETS FROM CHARITIES PERATING IN SNAITH AND COWICK

Balance Sheets from Snaith Charity, Snaith and Cowick Pinderfields Charity, and Ouley Cottages Home Trust were received.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr V Ramsker advised on an issue with young people meeting on the Fire Station Forecourt and using Skate Boards. It was agreed to place on a future meeting and report back to Mr Ramsker.

 Signed

 Date