

**ELLOUGHTON-CUM-BROUGH TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF A VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL 2013 AT THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE  
60 WELTON ROAD, BROUGH**

**Public Forum** – No members of the public attended the meeting

**Present:** Councillors Davis, Mrs. Duckles, T. Galbraith (Chairman), Mrs. Galbraith, Ms Rowe (Vice-Chairman) and Scaife

One member of the public attended the meeting to raise concern at the state of Coronation Copse. She felt the Copse looked neglected and volunteered to plant the area herself to brighten it up and possibly do a leaflet drop to nearby residents for help.

**1. TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor Credland

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest received

**3. TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT MEETING HELD ON 13 MARCH 2013**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Galbraith, seconded by Councillor Davis and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2013 be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**4. MATTERS RELATING TO ELLOUGHTON-CUM-BROUGH IN BLOOM**

The Spring judging had been cancelled as everything was late to flourish; also some areas are still affected by snow and frost. It has been decided that judging will take place in the summer only.

Councillor T. Galbraith reported that Brough in Bloom is still awaiting a license from ERYC for the erection of the Statue.

**5. FRONT GARDEN OF THE YEAR AWARD 2013**

Due to poor weather conditions throughout spring, it was agreed to carry out judging for the Front Garden of the Year Award in July. Inspections will be carried out during the first week in the month.

**6. FOOTPATHS**

**6.1 Peggy Farrow Lane**

Correspondence has been received from ERYC. On inspection of the area between the road and the gate, the verge did appear to have tyre marks, however was not regarded as a safety hazard.

The issues regarding the actual state of the Lane had been inspected three times over the period of two months. Due to the extremely wet weather the lane was muddy then churned up by a vehicle legitimately using the route to access their property. If the bridleway becomes damaged (rutted) ERYC will approach the landowner, as has been done in the past. However on inspection the path was muddy rather than rutted and over the recent dry spell, the surface is drying out and the bridle way is now in good condition. Countryside Access cannot do anything to restrict a landowner from legitimately using their track. It was agreed to monitor the situation.

Signed as a True and Accurate Record by the Chairman ..... Date .....

6.2 Matters relating to footpath inspections

Generally the footpaths were in good condition. It was reported that Thompson Lane, although dry may need attention in the future to clear the sides.

7. **PLAY AREAS** – Nothing to report.

8. **STREET FURNITURE**

Following inspections of street furniture the following was reported:

8.1 Bins

It was reported that some areas of the parish had an abundance of bins and other areas (new estates had none.) Questions were raised at the possibility of relocating some of the bins. It was agreed to possibly look into this once the estates had been adopted.

8.2 Seats

Some of the older seats are in need of attention, particularly down Elloughton Road and one on Welton Road (opposite The Burrs.) Brough in Bloom have volunteered to treat the seats down Main Street/Elloughton Road and it was agreed to ask if they would include the one on Welton Road also.

8.3 Notice Boards

It was reported that the glass in the notice board on Centurion Way is in need of cleaning. The Deputy Clerk will arrange for this to be undertaken.

9. **OPEN SPACES**

8.1 Coronation Copse

The Town Council is currently awaiting a tree report on the area. It was suggested planting shade loving bulbs under the trees to make it look more pleasant. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Galbraith, seconded by Councillor Davis and agreed unanimously to set aside £100 towards planting of the Copse.

10. **BUDGETS 2013/14** - noted

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Wednesday 5 June 2013