

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF THE PARISH OF
ELLOUGHTON-CUM-BROUGH**

HELD ON TUESDAY 21 APRIL 2015 AT BROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Councillors: Davis (Chairman), Mrs Galbraith (Vice-Chairman), Mrs Brogden, Busk, Credland, Mrs Duckles, Galbraith, Ms Rowe, Mrs Smith, Town Clerk.
There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

Apologies: Received from Councillors: Burgess and Scaife

The chairman of the Town Council was present and chaired the meeting.

1. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 15 April 2014

It was agreed unanimously that the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 15 April 2014 are a true and accurate record of the meeting.

2. Report by the Chairman of the Town Council

The Chairman of the Town Council, Councillor Bryan Davis, welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that there is a duty under the 1972 Local Government Act to hold an Annual Parish Meeting of Electors to confirm our status as a Civil Parish. It is not a Council meeting but if the Chairman of the Town Council is present they must chair the meeting.

Chairman's Report:

In many respects little seems to have changed since I stood here in 2014, just more of the same.

- The ERYC has still not yet published its' final version of the 'Local Plan' – this is the Land Allocation Plan that all Local Authorities in England must produce. The delay leaves the whole of the East Riding vulnerable to even more unsuitable developments. So I cannot, at this point, tell you, with any degree of accuracy, what is agreed for this Civil Parish or for our neighbouring Parishes.
- We know where our new development areas are and we know that we have very little space left to build more within our boundaries - BUT - that does not mean to say that major development will not occur just outside our boundaries in Welton or in Brantingham.
- The BAE Systems site continues to undergo major re-modelling under its' Humber Enterprise Zone Status and is beginning to attract new businesses. I wish it well.
- The Bridge over the Railway Line heading towards the Humber Enterprise Zone and 'Brough South' is still 'imminent'.
- The Community Led Planning Group has delivered all that is considered achievable within its' former remit. The Group is now re-focusing its' activities and will be holding a workshop session very soon.
- Following on from a Community Led Planning recommendation a Town Forum has been established. Initial support looks promising.
- Our Schools continue to perform well at all levels – hence the attraction for developers and new residents.
- Brough in Bloom continues to do good work – but I note that they do not intend to enter the regional competition this year.

- The Town Council endeavours to maintain, or replace, benches, notice boards, fences etc. and tries to ensure that public areas are clean and tidy within the current financial constraints.
- I am pleased to report that a 'Volunteer Litter Picking Group' has been established and is proving to be very effective.
- The Village Hall has been further improved and a Play Area Refurbishment programme is about to commence. Additionally the CCTV system has been considerably enhanced.
- The Petuaria Centre remains well used and is a major asset to the community. The Library is well used and Community Centre bookings remain high.
- A Youth Club is being established at 'Blackburn's Club' which will provide a focus for Youth Activities and should reduce tensions at other locations. – note that Blackburn's Club is open to all residents and it needs your support to remain viable.
- Cubs, Scouts and other activities are flourishing – but they need Adult Volunteers to keep them running.
- The Brough & South Cave Medical Practice continues to deliver a good level of service. Residents' concerns re the ability of the Practice to meet the demands of the ever increasing population are being addressed with an extension to the Brough Site very soon. This will house additional staff but will not address parking issues.
- Note that from 1st July 2015 the Brough & South Cave Medical Practice will merge with the Holme on Spalding Moor and Bubwith Medical Practice and will be known as 'The Ridings Medical Group'.

Overall I think we, as a community, are making the best of a very difficult situation by learning to accommodate our vastly increased population, even if we don't like what has been forced on us.

Before I open the meeting to the Public - I want to remind you that Town Council Meetings are preceded by a 15 minute time slot where members of the public are welcome to express their opinions or to ask questions. Additionally we have held, and will continue to hold, Public Meetings to inform the public of specific issues and to seek your opinion.

Full Council Meetings are normally held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month here at the Petuaria Centre.

Committees Meetings are normally held on a Wednesday evening at our Parish Office at the junction of Skillings Lane and Welton Road.

And Finally – this is my last Annual Parish Meeting – I have not sought re-election to the Town Council and will therefore not be a Town Councillor after the Election. Thank you for your support over the years.

3. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

Councillor Galbraith gave a report on the newly formed Town Forum which had been renamed to the Petuaria Community Forum.