



BADGER HILL RESIDENTS COMMUNITY GROUP NEWSLETTER 14 - MAY 2021

Hello, everyone, from the Committee,

we hope you've come through the long winter healthy and happy. What were your local highlights - seeing Ellie from 'Perfect Paws' on Yarburgh Way on the BBC's 'Pooch Perfect' Programme, watching the crocuses and daffodils come to life, the shops getting back to business?

We'd like to hold an Annual General Meeting this year but believe it is responsible to hold it online. We are therefore proposing to meet via 'Zoom' software on Wednesday 30 June at 7:30 pm.

We hope you will be willing and able to attend. Please keep this newsletter as you will need these Joining Instructions on the night:

Topic: BHRCG AGM

Time: Jun 30, 2021 07:30 PM BST

To join our Meeting enter -

<https://zoom.us/j/97036926253?pwd=d1Uvb2tlbE4zM0MvNjlrRFN2dzZWZz09> see Note 1) below

THEN follow the instructions given to install Zoom if you don't already have the product, (*hopefully it will happen automatically*)

FINALLY enter the CODE for the meeting:

Meeting ID: 970 3692 6253

Passcode: 968296

Note 1) this hyperlink is available via our website badgerhill.org.uk

- that should save you some typing! If you have serious problems joining try rebooting your pc or phone

The AGM agenda - Wednesday 30 June at 7:30 pm

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Apologies
- 3) Minutes from 2019 - see website
- 4) Matters arising not in Agenda
- 5) Reports: Chair; Treasurer; Secretary
- 6) Committee Elections - we need at least one new member
- 7) Topics for Discussion:
 - Residents Parking
 - Parking at Shops, Parking at Schools
 - HMOs, notably Permitted Developments
 - Campus Developments

Please contact Jon Edison or Alan Richards if you'd like to join the Committee. Ideally we need some young blood so we capture different aspects of life here and issues affecting our children. If you want us to cover a topic that's not on the agenda please submit that at least a week before the meeting. The best way of making contact is to use the email facility on the Group's website,

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Heslington Church on Friday 17th May 2019 at 7.30pm.

Present: Jon Edison (Chairman), Harry Telfer (co-opted), Alan Richards (Secretary), Cathie Odell (Treasurer), Cllr. Aisling Musson, Cllr. Michael Pavlovic, Cllr George Norman, Inspector Amy Hunter (part of time) and 70 Residents. Apologies: Abul Harris, Carolyn Suckling, Anne and Roger Pettit . We remembered Brian Blanchard, our Treasurer, who died during the year.

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for the biggest turn out in several years.
2. The minutes of the meeting held on 10th May 2018 were displayed, taken as read and adopted.
3. The Chairman summarised the last year's work - opposition to planning applications, 5 out of 6 rejected; bulb planting, support of playing field play park and new path. Parking was to be addressed later, but due to her limited availability, the Chairman asked Inspector Amy Hunter to explain parking laws and reporting procedures at this point in the meeting. Several residents were unaware that the Highway Code was not Law and parking was basically the responsibility of the Council. They asked several questions. In summary Insp. Hunter said "nothing to do with parking (allocation) happens quickly". Harry Telfer gave some background to the current Res Parking agreement, sponsored by the University. Discussion paused for Insp. Hunter to leave.
4. Committee Election: everyone expressed their willingness to remain in office for a further year. Therefore, following a proposal by the Chairman, it was agreed by a show of hands that the current Committee members should be re-elected and two new members elected (Judi Bell, Stephen Palmer).
5. **Treasurer's Report:** Cathie Odell reported on the financial position of the Group. An Annual Receipts and Payments Account had been produced that had been examined independently and a copy was available for inspection by residents: The Opening balance (1/1/18) was £737.47. The Closing balance (31/12/18) £1005.62.
The current balance is £ 701.98
The Treasurer re-iterated that the group had a healthy bank balance (it may be necessary in the future to incur costs for professional advice and, therefore we requested residents to continue to show their generosity by making donations on leaving the meeting. Thank you for £21).
6. **2019 onwards:** Michael Pavlovic detailed the work done by CYC on parking in 2018/19, including how he and Alan Richards opposed the latest University Expansion Plan (1400 new residential places) and unearthed previously undisclosed traffic surveys.

We introduced a new project idea, currently called 'Eyes and Ears', aimed at engendering a sense of 'community'. We also plan to improve our website and look to make a lot more of the field. HMO review still depends to a great extent on Harry Telfer, so we will appoint people to that asap

We will consider allocating people to sit on an increasing number of local committees

We cannot yet issue a full project plan for parking changes. The December University Expansion Plan was passed by CYC. Our Councillors believe the University are now under more pressure than ever on community parking issues - and Traffic Managers are following up. Our plan and timescale will depend on their findings . We expect to have a plan in late June pointing at: further analysis of reports / surveys at different times; a recommendation of possible ways forward; residents' vote on possible solutions.

Although we are in a stronger, clearer position than for some years many residents were confused and angry, feeling nothing had been done when much had. This underlines the latent frustration from the last decade. Alan Richards underlined the need to improve "community" and communication, discuss and influence issues with friends, develop our own and neighbours' awareness of possible consequences, notably in parking post the next expansion stage (see above). Judi Bell asked us to consider being willing to compromise on our preferred solutions, find a 'Badger Hill' solution and thus avoid the possibility of a stalemate in discussions.

There being no time for other business the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at around 9.15pm. Due to the church kitchen being renovated and unusable we were unable to produce the normal refreshments. We apologise for any inconvenience.

For Your Reference:

Councillors' details: https://www.york.gov.uk/info/20155/wards/161/hull_road_ward

Committee's email: <mailto:badgerhill.rcgroup@gmail.com>

Reporting noise to University: 01904 322135 (9am to 5pm)
434444 (5pm to 9am)

Reporting dangerous parking to CYC: 0800 138 1119