**Enclosure for Item 3**

Minutes of the meeting of East Cottingwith Parish Council, Thursday 15th January at 8pm

Present: P. Rhodes, N. Hobbs, D. Griffith, J. Harrison, L. Jessop, D. Mortar, J. Smith

1.There were no apologies

2.Declarations of interest , none pertaining to the agenda items

3.The minutes of the meetings of 13th November and 11th December were read and approved

4.Matters arising

a.Grass cutting. A single bid for £1,800 had been received

b.Parish land. No information had been received from the land agent

c.Land by the phone box at Middleton Farm. A letter had been received from The Conservation Officer, which pointed out that the land on the corner of Ings Lane and Main Street was also overgrown. The letter also stated that Section 215 refers to fly tipping. N. Hobbs challenges this interpretation, and it was resolved to reply to the Conservation Officer making an official complaint about the state of both sites, as they are both within the conservation area.

d.Dog training, nothing further to report

e.Parking. J. Harrison thought there was a slight improvement

f.Phone box. Nothing to report on the future of it

g.Proposed bridge over the river. A public meeting, organised by Thorganby Parish Council, is to be held at East Cottingwith Village Hall on 14th March

5.The precept. It was felt prudent to budget £2,000 for grass cutting, £1,000 for election expences, and £1,500 for Christmas Tree lighting. It was therefore resolved to precept for £7,000

6.Christmas Tree lighting. J. Harrison to contact PowerGen to arrange a supply from the nearest light pole

7.Defibrillator, P. Rhodes reported he is still awaiting information from East Riding Council , who are dealing with the request on behalf of Yorkshire Ambulance Service. The proposal is that it should be located in the phone box, but it was pointed out that it would need a power supply

8.Election arrangements. Finance has been agreed

9.Accounts for confirmation:- £760 to J. Barlow for clerical duties, and £190 to HMRC

10.Correspondence:-

a.Catalogue of products for local councils from Glasdon

b.Query from East Riding Council as to whether we have adopted their code of conduct for Parish Councillors. This has been adopted, and the minutes of the meeting of 23rd May 2013 refers.

11.Public participation. No members of the public were present