

MINUTES OF THE FISHTOFT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15 JULY 2019 AT THE PLAYING FIELD PAVILION COMMENCING AT 7.00PM

In attendance: Councillor E Armstrong (Chairman)
Councillors O Snell, M Ordway, R Lenton, J Williams
Mrs K Partridge (Clerk)

01.1 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS: Councillor Armstrong welcomed all to the meeting, Councillor Williams to his first meeting since co-option.

01.2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies received and accepted from Councillors H Staples, J Skinner, P Skinner. Apologies also received from Boston Borough Councillor J Noble and Lincolnshire County Councillor M Griggs.

01.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

01.4 POLICE REPORT: Recorded incidents received for the last 4 weeks:-

Camelot Gardens – ASB-neighbour dispute
The Chase, Ward Crescent, Clifton Road and Fishtoft Road – violence x 8
Maple Road and Fishtoft Playing Field – criminal damage
Clifton Road and Priory Court– suspicious circumstances
Bladen Estate and Church Green Road– fraud
Royal Way – ASB noise nuisance
Scalp Road, Toot Lane and Ward Crescent – ASB vehicle nuisance
Royal way – Theft
Alcorn green – ASB alcohol related
Old School Lane and Sandy Lane – burglary
Ward crescent – criminal damage

It was noted there were no incidents for the Willoughby Hills area, Clerk to check with PCSO.

01.5 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2019: It was resolved the minutes be approved and signed, proposed by Councillor Lenton, seconded by Councillor Snell.

01.6 REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Allotment review: Letters informing tenants of an increase in rents had been sent out, no responses to date.

Wooded area at Hobhole Pumping Station: No dedicated team has been allocated from NSC; Clerk to request a site meeting in order to discuss clearance of pathways and brambles, particularly with regard to erection of sculptures for Mayflower 400.

Litter Bin at Playing Field: Boston Borough Council had removed some “plates” from the access, hopefully this will alleviate the issue.

Speed Calming Initiative: It was not possible to join with the Freiston area as they are ready to go live. To place as an agenda item for August.

Additional venue for PC meetings: The Clerk had written to the Facilities Department at Pilgrim Hospital; to remain an agenda item.

Subsidence at Pilgrim Fathers Memorial Site: Clerk had contacted the Environment Agency, no reply to date. Councillor Armstrong will mention to BBC.

02.7 CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED: General correspondence received was available and included Clerks & Councils Direct.

Replacement Notice Board: As per the budget an amount has been allowed for in the budget to replace all 4 notice boards at the rate of one per year. Clerk to source a board in either brown or black finish, confirm costings – previous costings £540.00 + VAT. Proposed by Councillor Lenton, seconded by Councillor Ordway.

Highways:

Cut End Road will be closed from 5 August for a period of 5 days to allow for essential maintenance works by Telec Utilities, local diversion routes will be signposted.

Kingsway between Fishtoft Road and Whitehouse Lane will be closed between 19 August and 6 September to allow for reconstruction and resurfacing, diversions will be posted.

Refurbishment of traffic signals and road resurfacing on Norfolk Street from Horncastle Road junction to Grand sluice Lane will take place from 14 August for 5 weeks. Temporary traffic lights will be in operation.

Callconnect: From 29 July to 2 September they will be giving 2 for 1 travel every Monday.

Dog Waste Bin: Request received from a resident for 2 dog bins to be placed near to the public footpath between Lindis Road and Rochford Tower Lane – Clerk to raise matter with BBC and to request signs.

02.8 COUNCILLORS ISSUES: Councillor Armstrong had received a request for grass to be cut outside some properties on Eastwood Road, on investigation it was found the area is the responsibility of the tenant.

02.9 FINANCE REPORT:

a) a budget update was presented and accepted.

b) to approve payment of accounts:

Clerks salary - £341.90

Clerks expenses – £33.55

Mobile broadband – half share - £8.85

Grass maintenance – BBC and LCC areas (1/12th of annual charge) - £1,064.22 (£177.37 VAT)

Weedkill treatment at war memorial - £25.00

It was resolved the accounts be paid, proposed by Councillor Lenton, seconded by Councillor Snell and agreed.

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c) Investment, transfer of funds. The Business Banking Instant account had been closed and funds transferred to the cheque account.

03.10 MAYFLOWER 400: Councillor Armstrong reported there is to be a meeting on 16 July between the Mayflower 400 committee, wood carvers, BBC representatives.

The woodcarvers have completed their designs and the go ahead can be given to commence work; it will be necessary to arrange to choose the buoy; a second quotation for the walking map has been received.

Clerk to enquire with HLF what logo and wording should be included in the map.

Funding from HLF has been paid in.

03.11 FUN DAY: Councillors Armstrong and Lenton had attended a meeting regarding the Rural Isolation; funding of £2,500 has been approved. Quotations for posters will be sourced. There has been a lot of interest from groups/organisations wanting to attend. A further meeting on 24 July at 6.00pm in the tennis pavilion at Rochford Tower Hall has been arranged.

03.12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Monday 19 August 2019 at Rochford Tower Hall and will commence at 7.00pm with a 10 minute public forum, if required.