

### NORTH FRODINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in North Frodingham, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at the Village Hall

**Present:** Mr Brian Rookes (Chair), Mrs A Bernard, Mr D Stead, Mrs A Greaves, Mr A Wilson, Mr M Doyle, Mrs M Gravil,

**Apologies for absence:** Mr J. Lund,

**Visitors:** Special Inspector P. Wilson, Ward Cllrs. Jane Evison and Jonathan Owen

**Clerk:** Mrs J Harris

**Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests:**

There were no pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests declared.

**Resolved:** The Minutes of the meeting held Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018 having been printed and circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chair as an accurate record.

**Matters arising:**

- a) From the March Minutes: Cllr. Doyle asked whether the County Council were prepared to supply gravel for the frontage of High Farm. There having been no response to the request, it was assumed that the Parish Council would have to foot the bill if a decision was made to gravel the area.
- b) From the March correspondence: There were no matters raised about the March correspondence.

**Progress Reports:**

- a) Police & ASB report: Special Inspector P. Wilson had nothing specific to report regarding Frodingham; however she did state that silver and a white combi van had been observed behaving suspiciously. The white van in particular had been reported to Farm Watch as it had been seen hurriedly leaving a farm when security lights had been activated. Cllr Gravil was able to report that poachers had been seen on Grange Farm.
- b) Social Centre: Cllr Gravil reported an improving situation regarding committee members, although a few more would be appreciated. The cookery demonstration held last month had attracted very few residents despite advertising being carried out. The proposed Jumble Sale for this month had also been cancelled because of a poor response from participants. Other observations made were that the playground grass needs to be cut; the central heating is working better and the light in the gent's toilet had been replaced. Despite an impression that Frodingham residents were rather apathetic, Cllr Greaves did comment on a very positive approach was being given by two new members of the committee.
- c) Village Plan: Cllr Rookes and Cllr Doyle are to meet and design a questionnaire to be delivered around the Parish. No further progress was possible at the meeting.
- d) Chapel renovation: Cllr Rookes and Cllr Wilson are to access the Heritage Chapel in order to prioritise the work needed.

**Administration:**

- a) ERYC Code of Conduct amendments: The Clerk had available the new Code of Conduct documentation which differed little from that currently in use.
- b) New Data protection rules: An outline of the procedure to be in place before the new Data Protection Law comes into force was discussed. Cllr Evison explained that the requirements covered all documentation related to all residents of the Parish in contact with the Parish Council. Cllr Owen added that whilst this may seem to be enormous task compliance should not cause too many problems for parish councils – not to worry too much was his advice.
- c) Govt. Ethical Standards: Cllrs were asked to consider whether they had any suggestions to make regarding this national review of ethical standards in local government. An email address was available for anyone to use for comment.
- d) ERYC Communication Review and Survey: This survey was completed and will be returned to Beverley.
- e) Parish Councillor numbers: The Clerk had requested advice about reducing the number of councillors needed for the parish. In an emailed reply a lengthy process was outlined, or the option of waiting until after the next local elections when the ERYC is proposing a complete review of the current situation. In the meantime the Parish Council will attempt to fill at least one vacancy.
- f) NHS Urgent Treatment Services : All councillors had received a copy of the booklet.
- g) Register of Electors Addition: A copy of the latest amendments was given to each Emergency Box key holder.

**Planning Applications:**

- a) Notices of Decision:           \* Retention of dwelling plot following demolition of existing at Alderson Mews, for

Heartland Coast & County Development. APPROVED with standard conditions. A letter had been received from the Agent explaining why the dwelling had been built prior to full approval being given.

- b) New Application: \* NONE
- c) Notice of Appeal \* NONE

#### Accounts:

- Debit:
- \* Chapel electricity: £23.54 to be collected by Direct Debit
  - \* Social Centre insurance. As agreed at the March meeting a cheque, number 100781, for £706.50p had been signed.
  - \* Clerk's expenses for the half-year from October 2017 had been presented. Cheque no. 100782 value £198.37 p was signed.
- Cllrs Bernard and Gravil proposed and seconded the motion for approval.
- Credit: NIL
- Other: The Year End Accounts had been circulated and were approved for the external audit.

#### External meetings:

- \* Cluster Meeting, 16<sup>th</sup> May, Hutton Cranswick, 6.15 pm for 6.30 pm. Cllr Rookes and Clerk to attend
- \* Rural Housing Seminar, Bishop Burton College, 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Cllr Doyle to attend

#### Documents for/in circulation:

NONE

#### General / sundry correspondence:

- \* ERYC Surface Dressing programme: Cross Road is scheduled for work sometime in May, notice will be given to residents affected.
- \* Twilight bus service: A newspaper article seems to suggest that the bus service will be suspended and will be replaced by a taxi service for Frodingham and Beeford. The Clerk has been asked to get clarification of this from Driffield School.
- \* Allotment survey: The Clerk has obtained a copy of an Allotment Survey to assist in drawing up 'rules and regulations'. For the next gardener. Mr Bell has asked for a further year in which to remove all his equipment.

#### Councillors reports:

**Cllr Gravil** said that Mr Turton was again stopping access to the Free landing, using his car to block the road. Her concern was that a user of the river might have an accident and that the Emergency Services may be unable to reach the casualty. The Parish Council had agreed last year that the lane to the Landing must be open 'Dawn to Dusk' each day.

**Cllr Bernard** raised the matter of potholes around the village but in particular in Highside, outside number 3, and Grange Road throughout its length.

**Cllr Rookes** agreed with the councillor and added a developing pothole in the traffic calming area of Main Street. Cllr Rookes also informed Council of a blocked gully drain outside 74 Main Street, where a sudden downpour had been unable to drain from the filled gully and had overflowed into Mr Voase's garage. One of the village pumps had been used to clear the area.

**Cllr Greaves** asked whether she could position a convex mirror opposite her property so that she could see any traffic coming from the Market Cross, before she pulled out to turn towards the village. Clerk to make enquiry.

#### ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

**Cllr Wilson** had taken several still and video shots of the breach in the bank of Old Howe. These were viewed after the Administration section had been completed to enable the Ward Cllrs to see them before they left the meeting.

A 2-3 minute video of water flowing through the breach in the bank indicated the severity of the problem. This was followed by several shots of the attempts made by the Environment Agency workers to reduce the volume of water flowing onto the adjacent farmland. To conclude a short explanation Cllr. Wilson showed the station at Hempholme, supplemented by three diesel pumps, lifting water the Old Howe water from a drain into the River. He asked 'at what cost?' The Clerk was asked to raise this matter with the Environment Agency.

**The meeting closed at 9.05 pm. The Chair thanked everyone for attending, and confirmed that the next meeting, the A.G.M., would be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> May (third Monday) at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**