

NORTH FRODINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at North Frodingham, Monday 13th March 2017 at the Village Hall

Present: Mr Brian Rookes, (Chair), Mrs A Bernard, Mr D Stead, Mrs A Greaves, Mr M Doyle, Mrs D Williamson. Mr D Bannister,

Apologies for absence: Mrs M Grivil, Mr A Wilson, Mr J. Lund.

Visitors: Mr P. Pearson, Ward Cllr. J. Evison. SI P. Wilson

Clerk: Mrs J Harris

Mr Pearson had requested an opportunity to attend the meeting and answer any questions the members may have about his egg hatchery planning application. This matter was brought forward to top of the Agenda and the proposed layout plan projected to the screen.

Review of Decision : * Development of game bird hatchery and replacement of existing building at land west of The Poplars, Grange Road. Applicant: Mr P Pearson. Application Type: Full Planning Permission.

Cllr. Doyle opened the discussion by asking about the temporary laying pen for hens. Mr Pearson replied that it had been included in the application purely as a possibility for the future, at the present his plan was to buy in fertile pheasant eggs, incubate and hatch them and sell the one-day old chicks. He said that he was at the very early stage of setting up a new business and that developing contacts and establishing demand and supply patterns would take some time. The hen laying pens would only be brought into use if he had a sudden demand for several thousand chicks, for which he could not source eggs. He would be required to abide any rules pertaining to the movement of birds and may not be able to use the pens to augment his egg supply. Mr Pearson also stated that, having hundreds of birds at the back of his home, he could confirm that cock pheasants were not noisy, only uttering one short bark if frightened by a thunderclap for example – he claimed that a single owl made more noise during the night than a pen full of pheasants.

In answer to a further battery of questions, Mr Pearson confirmed that he was licensed to have breeding birds and that as a reputable gamekeeper he routinely exceeded the specifications for bird husbandry. Questions related to cock birds were raised, Mr Pearson said that an average of one cock to eight hens was usual and that the proposed pens could potentially hold between 300 -600 birds. Cllr. Doyle, who had raised most of the questions, declared himself satisfied with the answers he had received.

Cllr. Evison pointed out that the lengthy discussion about Mr Pearson's plans for the site was not the Council's responsibility as this would be covered by licence, the parish council should consider the impact of the building & the size of the planned development to decide upon suitability and whether conditions regards noise nuisance were appropriate in considering the planning application. This was a small scale development and the decision should be whether or not it fundamentally altered the village in any way. Removal and replacement of one building and the installation of facilities for egg incubation were the only planning matters that needed to be discussed, all else would be under the jurisdiction of other bodies such as DEFRA and others.

Council was asked whether it wished to alter the decision to recommend approval of the planning application. All were in agreement that the decision should stand. The Clerk was asked to confirm the Council's decision to support the application and to write to the resident who had made complaint to the Chairman. Mr Pearson left the meeting at 8.04 pm.

Resolved: The Minutes of the meeting held Monday 13th February 2017 having been printed and circulated were confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests:

There were no declarations made.

Matters arising:

- a) From the February Minutes: There were no matters raised
- b) From the February correspondence: There were no matters raised

Progress Reports:

- a) Police & ASB report: Special Inspector Wilson confirmed that a series of public house burglaries had been experienced, the perpetrators appearing to be one gang and targeting remote village pubs.
- b) Social Centre: Cllr Greaves reported a better attendance at the meeting with five members present. A decision was taken to raise the hire rent for the hall to £8.00 per hour for regular meetings. A survey of prices for parties in halls in local villages was to be conducted before the party hire price could be decided

- c) Church gates: Mr McKie will start work on the church gates within the next two weeks.
- d) Neighbourhood Plan or Village Plan: Cllr Bannister confirmed that work would start on this after October 3rd, although a small working party would be established during the summer months.

Administration:

The Chairman read out a letter from the Ward Councillors in which it was proposed that local Parish Councils might benefit from pooling their approach to common problems in an open forum. Ward Cllr. Evison left the meeting at this point to allow Council to discuss the matter. Several instances were raised of problems that were proving intransigent; it was felt that shared experience may find an untried solution. To be forwarded to the Ward Cllrs were issues of dog fouling, litter and fly tipping.

Planning Applications:

- a) Notices of Decision: * Outline permission for new dwelling north of 7 Eastfield Close, For Mike Doyle. **APPROVED**
- b) New Application: * NONE

8. Accounts:

Debit: .NONE

Credit: Cemetery fee; £75.00 had been banked in respect of plot for Mr B. Walker and plot reservation for his wife.

Other: Social Centre Insurance request for support: Council decided to continue its 75% level of support for the Social Centre, agreeing to give £669.40 towards the full cost of insurance. Proposed by Cllr Stead and seconded by Cllr Bannister.

External meetings

Joint Local Access Forum Wednesday 15th March 2.00pm Paull Village Hall – Cllr Rookes to attend if possible.
ERYC Community Transport event, Bishop Burton Hall, Friday 24th March 9.15 am. Cllr. Doyle to attend.

Documents for/in circulation

NONE

General / sundry correspondence:

- * Clerk & Councils Direct

Councillors reports:

Cllr Greaves asked that the footpath to the church be reported again as no work had taken place.

Cllr Bernard asked that the fly tipping in a paddock off the Bridlington Balk be reported to ERYC

Cllr Stead asked whether anything could be done about the litter dropped at the school bus stop opposite the Blue Post. The Clerk was asked to get prices for a litter bin that could be attached to a wall of nearby lamp post.

Cllrs Bernard and Stead asked whether it would be possible to have the council meeting in the small meeting room as the acoustics in the Main Hall made it difficult for them to hear everything that was being said. The Clerk agreed to try the small room next meeting.

Cllr Bernard suggested that a simple system be devised to let residents know when a planning application close to their home had been received. It was agreed that this should be tried out.

There being no further discussion, the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending, and confirmed that the next meeting, the A.G.M. would be held on the 10th April 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.