NORTH FRODINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Zoom Conferencing at 7:30pm, 9th November 2020

Present: Councillors Mrs J Syers (Chair), Mrs A Bernard, Mr M Doyle, Mr M Duff, Mr B Rookes
Visitors: Ward Councillors Mrs J Evison and Mr J Owen
Also present: Two members of the public and Ms M Rose (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

Councillors Mrs P Bigger, Mrs A Greaves, Mrs A Mahl, Mr C Silcock and Mr D Stead.

2. Consideration and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th October 2020 were approved as a true record.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-pecuniary Interests

There was no declaration of interests.

4. Ward Councillors update

Ward Councillors referred to the possible combination of East Riding of Yorkshire Council and Hull City Council. It is anticipated that the public will be included in the discussions in due course.

5. Matters Arising

Further to item 10 in the October 2020 minutes the previous Clerk has provided a photograph of the outside cemetery wall to show that repairs have been completed.

6. Administration

a. 86 Main Street Drainage

The owners of the property explained that the drainage problems lie with an unmapped drainage culvert that has not been adopted by Yorkshire Water Authority and is therefore the property of East Riding of Yorkshire Council and are still awaiting a report from East Riding of Yorkshire Council after work and investigations.

Resolved: Ward Councillor Mrs J Evison offered to take up the matter with East Riding of Yorkshire Council and report back.

b. Wall between Cemetery and 6 South Townside Road

Further to item 6d of the October 2020 minutes, final invoices for the re-building of the wall have been received. The coping stones needed are an irregular size and alternative suppliers could not be found to give comparison quotes, the Parish Council is confident it has obtained value for money.

Resolved: The Parish Council approved the invoices.

c. Emergency Planning Committee

The Committee are continuing with the application to increase the level of the plan.

d. Village Improvement Committee

The Committee are looking into the provision of a Christmas tree to be displayed in the Millenium Garden and have estimated a total cost for the project of £500. The Parish Council approved the project and acknowledge the time sensitive nature of any purchases. **Resolved**: The Parish Council delegated purchasing decisions for this project up to the total value of £200 to the Clerk in consultation with the Chair so that items can be purchased as needed.

7. Planning Applications

There are no new planning applications or decisions.

8. Accounts

Balances

Barclays Community Account as at 7 th October 2020	£2058.33
Barclays Premium Account as at 7 th October 2020	£16774.07

Debits

Millenium Garden Maintenance	Cheque no. 100889	£90.00	
Cherry's Petrol	Cheque no. 100890	£36.89	
British Gas	Direct Debit 10 th November	£16.69	
The above payments were approved, proposed by Councillor M Doyle and seconded by Councillor			
Mrs A Bernard and voted for unanimously.			

Noticeboard Quotes

The Parish Council is now in receipt of two quotes for the removal and installation of the new noticeboards.

Resolved: The Parish Council accepted the quote from SH Developments for £240 inc VAT.

Draft Budget 2021-2022

Draft figures for the budget were circulated for discussion. Councillors were concerned that the Parish Council income is consistently considerably less than its expenses and although it has been prudent with funding and currently has a healthy general reserve if the trend continues over the next few years it will run out of money. Councillors looked carefully at the level of spending and could not find any items that could be reduced and asked the Clerk to prepare figures for a 5-year forecast based on current spending with different predictions regarding percentage increases to the precept.

Resolved: The figures will be presented to for discussion at the next meeting.

8. External Meetings

There are no notifications of external meetings.

9. Correspondence and Documents of Interest

a. Code of Conduct Training

East Riding of Yorkshire Council are providing free training for Councillors on the Code of Conduct and the Registration and Declaration of Interests, interested Councillors will contact the Clerk.

b. Grange Road – Passing Place Signs

East Riding of Yorkshire Council said that the works may not now be carried out for some time (possibly next year) as they are not considered to be a priority and apologised for the delay. **Resolved**: The Parish Council acknowledged the comments.

10. Councillors Reports

Councillor B Rookes reported that the mower has been repaired and the grass cutting should now be more level. He intends to give the mower a good overhaul during the winter months.

Councillor M Duff is regrettably retiring from the Parish Council due to work commitments. The Parish Council expressed deep regret at the news and greatly thanked him for all his previous efforts and wished him well in the future.

The meeting closed at 9:00pm. The date of the next meeting is 14th December 2020, 7:30 pm and will be a virtual meeting using Zoom.