

Rudston Parish Council

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Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on

Wednesday, 26th August, 2015.

1. Present: Mr. N. Watson (Chairman)
Mr. T. Smallwood
Mr. P. Wood
Mrs. E. Potter
Mr. C. Shanks
Mrs. A. Starkey)
Mr. S. Rhodes) Arrived later
Mr. B. Warcup)
Mr. P. Crossland (Clerk)
2. Apologies: Mrs. S. Tompkin
Mr. J. Moorfoot
Mr. R. Overfield
3. Minutes of Previous Meetings
The Minutes of the meeting held on 24th June, 2015, were agreed and signed as a true record.
4. There were no Declarations of Interest.
5. There were no Public Representations
6. Matters Arising:
 - (i) Defibrillator (item 6 I)
(Mrs. Starkey arrived during this item).
The Chairman reported progress with the cost of the Defibrillator estimated to be around £2,000, which would be housed in a vandal-proof steel box. A 2 hour training session would be included, but services of an electrician would be required. On arrival Mrs. Starkey added further detail on the project. Mr. Smallwood raised a concern in that the first instruction in usage of these items was the need to 'phone 999, and wondered whether B.T. might be prepared to re-install an emergency telephone connection. The Chairman had managed to obtain E.R.Y.C. agreement that a sum of £137 surplus from last year's Grant could be transferred to this year. Formal Parish Council approval was required for that, which all members present then gave.

6. (ii) Parish Paths (item 6 iii)

In the absence of Mr. Overfield the Chairman reported that after a meeting with Mr. Somerled McDonald it was clear that no estate-owned paths would be re-opened. A map had been referred to, and a copy was passed around the meeting. During discussion it was noted that visitors were being left dismayed at fenced-off footpaths. It was pointed out that one of those prevents a circular walk from the caravan park, and there was speculation that Mr. McDonald might be prepared to relent in that instance. Separately, the Clerk advised that the usual grant of £315 had finally been agreed and received for grass mowing under the Parish Paths scheme.

(iii) Electronic Planning (item 6 v)

The Chairman had purchased a computer memory stick to which he had attached a substantial ribbon. The intention was that the Clerk would download an incoming planning application onto that, and then pass it around for members to view the contents on own computers. (Arrangement for those without to be made).

(iv) Dog Fouling (item 7 I)

(Mr. Rhodes arrived during this item)

Mr. Shanks reported on a recent meeting that he had attended in Driffield. The issue was being treated very seriously by E.R.Y.C., and it was explained how anyone could tackle those seen not to be cleaning up after their dog. The dog warden was to pay a visit to the village and meet Mr. Shanks. An article for the newsletter had been forwarded, which may be the same as one the Clerk had received a week before the Driffield meeting and passed on similarly.

(v) New Member (item 9)

The Chairman explained that new member Mrs. Tompkin had unfortunately suffered a fall and was temporarily incapacitated. It was hoped to be able to welcome her at the next meeting, but the Clerk may obtain signing of "Acceptance of Office" form in the meantime.

(vi) Waterways (item 12 vi)

The Clerk had received a report of the meeting in Pocklington. It had apparently been a "high level" meeting more concerned with rivers etc. and the Gipsey Race may not have featured at all. There was then extensive discussion, in light of the present dry state of that. Mr. Shanks reported having made numerous telephone calls to Yorkshire Water and other organisations, all to no avail. There had been no official admission, but it seemed likely that water was being withdrawn upstream as had demonstrably happened on one occasion at least downstream. It was finally agreed to tackle the issue from another angle and for the Chairman to contact Cllr. Evison for assistance.

7. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

(i) Village Walkabout (item 12 ii, 15/5/15)

The Clerk had received a list of the work schedule to be undertaken by E.R.Y.C. after the Walkabout. This was passed around those present for information.

A computer copy would be sought to print for all members.

7. (ii) Mobile Health Checks (item 12 iii, 15/5/15)

A visit by the Mobile Health Unit to Rudston had been arranged for 30th September, largely thanks to former member Mrs. Fiona Turner. The vehicle was to use the Bosville Arms car park, with their kind permission. An article for the newsletter had been forwarded, but the Clerk had just learned that leaflets were to be delivered the following week. Numbers of these were not known and distribution to be decided.

(Clerk's note: Mrs. Turner had also been informed of this and an initial delivery point of the village hall during Thursday (3/9/15) post office hours arranged).

(iii) Village Seats (item 13 ii, 15/5/15)

After a visit to the village E.R.Y.C. had produced a map showing all seats and their ownership. Out of a total of six, three each were the responsibility of the county council and the parish council. The Clerk read out details.

8. Planning Applications

(I) New Manor House

Plans had been received soon after the last meeting for: Erection of two storey extension to side and external alterations. Seen by all members and agreed with no comment. Already approved by E.R.Y.C.

9. Members' Village Issues

Mr. Rhodes reported concern over the on-going building work at Westcroft and whether original plans were being adhered to. It was known that minor alterations were sometimes agreed with planning officers once work was under way, and it was possible that had happened. The Chairman advised that this would be a case for the Planning Compliance Officer and Clerk to contact accordingly. (Note: e-mail 27/8/15)

10. Payment of Accounts

Payroll details had been received soon after the last meeting and payment made for:		
P. Crossland (Clerk's Salary for quarter to 30/6/15)		£273.00
H.M. Revenue & Customs (P.A.Y.E.)		£ 55.00
E.R.V.A.S. (Payroll services)		£ 15.00

Payment was authorised and cheques signed for:

N. Watson (Computer Stick)	£ 4.47
Rudston Village Hall (Hire)	£ 7.50

Receipts were from E.R.Y.C. for Parish Paths £315.00, and from the Bowls Club for insurance contribution £38.65.

(Mr. Warcup arrived during the following item and was able to provide co-signature)

11. Correspondence

- (i) A letter from a resident about a litter bin had been dealt with.
- (ii) Two editions of E.R. Parish News – nothing arising.
- (iii) A Lissett Wind Farm Review meeting had taken place in July.
- (iv) For information E.R.Y.C. had advised that a proposal for a wind turbine at Haisthorpe Water Treatment Works rejected by themselves had now gone to appeal to the Inspectorate.

(a) This reminded members of notification from Burton Agnes Parish Council of a proposal for a Waste Treatment Plant between that village and Woldgate. The Chairman had looked into that and reported that it was most unlikely to affect Rudston in any way.

- (v) N.H.S. Talking Therapy campaign – poster placed and featured in next newsletter.
- (vi) The Clerk had signed the annual Recycling Agreement.
- (vii) Safe & Sound Grants for homes leaflets – passed around members.
- (viii) The Parish Council had been informed last year of a proposal for a Wind Farm on Cottam Airfield. Message had just been received that day that it had been abandoned due to new government legislation.

12. Any Other Business

Mr. Warcup raised concerns about the bus shelter. It was thought that any repairs required would be parish council responsibility.

13. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

To be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 14th October, 2015, at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.