

Rudston Parish Council

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Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on

Wednesday, 27th January, 2016.

1. Present: Mr. N. Watson (Chairman)
Mr. T. Smallwood
Mr. P. Wood
Mr. C. Shanks
Mrs. A. Starkey
Mr. S. Rhodes
Mr. R. Overfield
Mrs. E. Potter
Mrs. S. Tompkin
Mr. J. Moorfoot
Mr. P. Crossland (Clerk)

2. Apologies: There were no apologies as Mr. Moorfoot arrived at that moment and nothing had been heard from Mr. Warcup.

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th December, 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)

The Chairman arranged a meeting with Mrs. Starkey to move this matter forward.

(ii) Buses (item 6 iv)

There had been some confusion as to exactly which buses were in question, as the initial enquiry to Acklams had been referred on to E.R.Y.C. There was further discussion at the meeting, and there were still expected to be changes in services in the near future. The most hazardous point for any bus or large vehicle was agreed to be outside church when cars were parked there, and Mr. Shanks volunteered to raise the matter at the next P.C.C. meeting.

6. (iii) Dog Fouling (item 7 i)

Mr. Shanks had not received a promised notice for the newsletter from E.R.Y.C. and had himself prepared an article for the next issue. He would continue to try to obtain the official notice. Mr. Overfield remarked on a recent T.V. programme on the subject.

(iv) Precept (item 9)

E.R.Y.C. had advised that the reduced precept in Rudston was equivalent to a Council Tax band 'D' reduction of £5.19.

(Clerk gave wrong figure at meeting – apologies).

(v) Footpath Access (item 11a)

The Footpaths officer had not yet responded to the Clerk's query, and another attempt would be made. (Clerk's note: contact made next day)

7. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

(i) East of Merils (item 8i, 14/10/15)

Notification had been received via the Chairman of further amendments to the plans approved previously. Next day had come information that these amendments had already been approved. The parish council had obviously not had chance to comment. Most members had received this information, but the chief amendment was the addition of a rear balcony.

8. Register of Electors

The Clerk had obtained copies for members of the latest Register of Electors which had been distributed. The total of 347 was a reduction of 4 on the last issue, but as had been remarked previously was not necessarily a complete total.

9. Members' Village Issues

No new village issues were raised.

10. Payment of Accounts

The Clerk's action in paying the following accounts as a matter of urgency was approved:

H.M. Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	£ 59.20
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E.R.V.A.S. (Payroll)	£ 15.00
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Payment was authorised and cheques signed for:

Clerk's Salary (quarter to 31/12/15)	£289.20
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Clerk's Expenses	£ 10.00
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Rudston Village Hall (Hire)	£ 7.50
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A receipt of £50 for Gravel Pit Field rent had just been received at the meeting.

The Clerk advised of possible invoices being received for payment before the next meeting. That week he had had to ask E.R.Y.C. for an updated Street Lighting Inventory for Northern Powergrid, and nothing more had been heard about the Testing. It had also been realised that an unrelated amount of about £160 from earlier last year had not been invoiced and may still arrive at any time.

11. Correspondence

- (i) Latest information on E.R.Y.C. Neighbourhood Planning received.
- (ii) Letter from a company named East Riding Group who could undertake a wide variety of maintenance tasks, which were read out to the meeting.
- (iii) January issue of E.R. Parish News: no matters raised, but the printed version had included a Winter Gritting poster.
- (iv) P.C.S.O. Andy Milner had expressed a wish to attend the next meeting, and the Clerk had given the likely date in March, which he indicated should be suitable. The date would be confirmed at the end of the meeting and relayed to the officer.
- (v) Further Audit information had just been received that day. It appeared that Rudston, as a “small authority” with transactions under £25,000 for the next 5 years, could continue with current (or very similar) arrangements. Agreed.

12. Any Other Business

(a) The Westcroft development appeared to be complete and the roadside boundary tidied up, but it was agreed that E.R.Y.C. Highways should still be invited to observe and comment. (item 11 d, last meeting, refers).

(b) The Chairman reported on some recent e-mail correspondence.

(c) The Clerk had received communication from the company involved in Fracking exploration. This was proving controversial nationally, and there was an offer to send a representative to speak to communities. The Clerk suggested that if this were taken up then the May Parish Meeting may be best. The matter had been included in the next newsletter.

13. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

To be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 23rd March, 2016, at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.

