

Rudston Parish Council

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Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on

Wednesday, 29th June 2016.

1. Present: Mr. N. Watson (Chairman)
Mr. T. Smallwood
Mr. C. Shanks
Mr. R. Overfield
Mrs. S. Tompkin
Mr. B. Warcup (arrived later)
Mrs. A. Starkey (arrived later)
Mr. P. Crossland (Clerk)

+ observing: County Councillors Jane Evison & Jonathan Owen (who both left midway through the meeting), a prospective clerk, and a resident who arrived later with Mr. Warcup.

2. Apologies: Mrs. E. Potter
Mr. P. Wood
Mr. S. Rhodes

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 6th May, 2016, were agreed and signed as a true record. The Chairman also signed an Acceptance of Office form, which the Clerk had omitted at the previous meeting.

4. There were no Declarations of Interest.

5. Public Representations

As a resident expected to speak had not arrived the Chairman ruled that the matter to be raised, High Street Litter Bin, should be discussed later under Village Issues. Mr. Warcup, who was familiar with the matter, coincidentally arrived at that point.

6. Matters Arising:

(i) Defibrillator (item 6 i)

The Chairman described messages back and forth on this matter, and after completing another application form, it was currently being considered by the Grant Committee. A favourable decision was expected shortly.

(ii) Public Spaces Protection Order (item 6 ii)

E.R.Y.C. response to the Clerk's application to have the Playing Field added to the Protection Order was that not only was it too late, but the whole field could not be

considered. Policy was that dogs could only be banned from a children's play area section of such a field. It was noted at the meeting that Rudston nevertheless retained its own "No Dogs" notice at the entrance to its Playing Field.

(Clerk's note: confirmed next day that is perfectly in order)

6. (iii) Footpaths (item 6 iii)

The Chairman reported on Dark Lane footpath. The Parish Paths officer had agreed to funding cost of materials for easier access, and Somerled MacDonald to fund cost of installation. It now required the two to meet.

The officer had also queried the Clerk's application for usual grass cutting, and payment for that was awaited.

(iv) Bus Services (item 6 v)

The Clerk had passed on notice of a recent meeting to Mrs. Starkey, but she had been unable to attend. That day however, details of Consultation "Drop-in" Sessions had been received. The Clerk read out dates in Bridlington and Driffild, and also that Rudston was to be one of the first places to be visited by a mobile unit on 2nd August. This had fallen awkwardly for newsletter information to the village, but posters for display had been promised.

Cllr. Evison then explained the subject in further detail.

(v) Emergency Plan (item 6 vi)

The Chairman had relayed an electronic copy to Mrs. Starkey, and the matter was on-going.

(vi) New Clerk (item 6 vii)

The Clerk introduced at the previous meeting was not now taking up the post, but the Chairman then introduced Jennifer Hobson, who had applied that day and been invited to the meeting. Interview to be arranged for the following week.

(vii) Lions Donation Offer (item 6 viii)

Mr. Shanks reported purchase of the agreed table and seat. Though the price had officially risen, £199.99 had been paid. Installation would take place when assistance could be arranged. To the Clerk's query regarding invoice, Mr. Shanks advised that he had already been paid by the Playground Committee. Parish Council payment would now be to them in due course, the Lions' money having been received.

(viii) Traffic Speed Checks (item 8)

The Clerk had discovered that Inspector Cocker no longer had anything to do with this, as there was now a Casualty Reduction Officer based at Melton. It was then found that communication with them was via the Traffic & Parking office of E.R.Y.C. and an answer to the query eventually received. Speed checks had not taken place in Rudston as it was regarded not to meet conditions, which were read to the meeting. The county council recognised that this was not ideal, but blamed central government for the situation, and suggested any further queries should be directed to M.P.s.

(ix) Village S.O.S. (item 10)

The Chairman reported that Rudston had been duly signed up, and explained a little more. It is a national scheme funded through the Lottery, which could give assistance with the creation of social enterprises in the village.

6. (x) Insurance Claim (item 11)

The sum of £735 from the insurance company had been received, and a cheque for the same amount paid to the contractor, who had produced an invoice directly to the Parish Council.

7. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

(i) Corner Garden (item 9, 23/3/16)

The Chairman reported that a funding application to the Caythorpe Environmental Fund had been made for the outdoor furniture previously advised, and had brought along a sample of the recycled plastic material from which it was constructed. This was passed around the meeting and approved. Intended positions on the site were confirmed with Mr. Smallwood. The funding decision was expected in July.

(ii) East of Merils (item 7 i, 27/1/16)

There had been two amendment applications. No change to approval by the Parish Council, but comment made on archaeological matters after foundations had been laid. That had been followed up by the Chairman when approval of the plans was received, to which there had been no reply to date. Separately, Mr. Shanks reported a conversation on the subject, from which it appeared it could be a "time lapse" issue. Plans approved for: Erection of detached dwelling and garage.

(Mrs. Starkey arrived at this point).

(iii) Timber Lodge Plans (item 6 v, 9/12/15)

Appeal submitted to Planning Inspectorate for refused application for Timber Lodge for use as holiday accommodation. There had been no further comment from members, and no further representation made.

8. Planning Applications (taken in reverse order to Agenda)

(i) Dotterill Park

Plans for: Erection of an agricultural building for pig rearing and finishing. Seen by all members. No objections. (This was on the edge of the parish area).

(ii) Westcroft

Plans for: Alterations to property to form 2 detached dwellings, erection of two storey extension to side, construction of access and drive to Old Stables and retention of stable attached to existing garage.

Seen by all members, and there was discussion at the meeting. Objection was agreed, with three points in particular identified. Chairman would work on wording with the Clerk for submission next day. (Clerk's note: submitted 30/6/16)

9. Forthcoming Meetings

It had come to the Clerk's notice that many councils, particularly larger ones, published dates of forthcoming meetings up to a year in advance. Should members approve the idea for Rudston, he had prepared three dates for the remainder of the calendar year. This was agreed, and dates were 24th Aug., 19th Oct., & 14th Dec.

10. Members' Village Issues

(a) Mr. Shanks had raised the question of Gypsy Race maintenance with appropriate authority and been promised attention within the next 10 days.

(b) Mr. Overfield queried any progress on the parking in Eastgate issue. It was recalled that this had been raised with Inspector Cocker who had said that it would be looked into.

(c) Mr. Warcup then gave an account of the High Street waste bin issue referred to earlier in the meeting. Though E.R.Y.C. had recently disowned it, their officer had agreed during the Streetscene walkabout last year that the initials on the old receptacle indicated that it would be their responsibility. It had not been emptied in that time however, and after resident intervention, had been moved to the other side of the road near the telephone kiosk. Chairman and Clerk to prepare another letter to E.R.Y.C.

(d) Mr. Warcup referred to the damaged fence alongside the Gypsy Race, whereupon the Chairman reported that he had taken photographs and submitted to the "Fix my Street" department. This had been acknowledged, and repair expected shortly.

(e) Mr. Warcup also raised the matter of the lack of footpath between Corner Garden entrance and Burton Fleming Road junction. When raised on a previous occasion the Clerk thought the refusal was because of high expenditure involved, but in conjunction with the Chairman would try again.

(f) Related to that was the rear path from the churchyard on the opposite side of the road. The slope from steps to pavement were dangerous with a moss build-up. There was discussion over boundary of church responsibility, which had been raised on a previous occasion. The Chairman undertook to contact the vicar.

11. Payment of Accounts

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

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| Aon Insurance (annual premium) | £1,003.31 |
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(He explained that though we were in the middle of the 3-year agreement, the one aspect not covered was Insurance Tax, which was the one which had risen).

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| Martin Adams (Bowls Club contractor, re: insurance claim) | £ 735.00 |
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Payment was authorised and cheques signed for:

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| Clerk's salary (quarter to 30/6/16) | £ 321.00 |
| H.M. Revenue & Customs (PAYE) | £ 53.40 |
| E.R.V.A.S. (Payroll services) | £ 15.00 |
| Rudston Village Hall (hire) | £ 7.50 |

Receipts were: Aon Insurance (as above) £735.00, N. Wolds Lions (as item 6 vii)

£200.00, Rudston Bowls Club (Insurance contribution) £40.00

12. Correspondence

- (i) Joint Minerals Local Plan: latest draft plan consultation in progress – Rudston not in “preferred area” for mineral extraction but Burton Agnes is.
- (ii) Carbon Capture pipeline: a new deadline for application before parliament had been set at 31st August.
- (iii) Libraries Consultation: Clerk had included in newsletter.
- (iv) Neighbourhood Planning Event – passed to Chairman for possible attendance.
- (v) Letter of introduction from Cllr. Paul Lisseter, who had been elected in place of the late Mrs. Chapman.
- (v) Police News included a case of breaking & entering in Rudston. This was evidently selective as Mr. Shanks recalled that no less than five offences in Rudston had been reported in a Driffield newspaper.
- (vi) Notice of a Fracking meeting to be held in Kilham the following week.
(Clerk's note: interest in attending was received at the end of the meeting)
- (vii) Another Planning Update: not affecting Rudston but note made of latest Affordable Housing guidelines.

15. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

To be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 24th August, 2016, at 7.30 p.m.

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