TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 8th April 2020 at 7.30pm by video conference link

Present: Chairman Cllr Renshaw

Cllr Lonie Cllr S Kilby Cllr P Todd Cllr J Larder Cllr Davison Cllr Anderton

Taking notes Mrs M Hoad Clerk

No members of the public dialled into the conference call.

The Chairman welcomed fellow Councillors to the meeting and asked if all had been able to access meeting easily. All present acknowledged they had been able to access without any issues. Due to the restrictions under COVID 19 a limited agenda had been circulated to focus on essential matters only.

Public Comments: The public had been given the opportunity to join the meeting as observers only, but comments or questions had been requested from residents prior to the video conference taking place.

- **00941** Apologies for absence There were no apologies for absence
- 00942 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on the 11th March 2020 had been circulated & it was resolved to accept them as correct. A hard copy of the minutes had been provided to the Chairman for signature.
- **Declarations of Interest** Cllr Todd declared an interest in planning item S/177/00536/20 as the developer. It was noted however by Council that this item had already been approved by ELDC and as comments had not been specifically requested it would therefore not be discussed in the meeting.

00944 Finance

- A. Accounts to be paid/authorised The Council noted the following payments Clerk's Salary & Expenses for March 2020; LALC training for Clerk £10.80 and **it was resolved** to authorise all payments.
- B. <u>Councillors Budget Statement</u> as at the end March 2020- the document was circulated, noted and signed by the Chairman
- C. <u>Accounts as at end of March 2020</u> bank reconciliation had been circulated for acceptance and signed by the Chairman.

00945 Planning Matters:

S/177/00308/20 | Outline erection of 6no. dwellings (with means of access and layout to be considered). | MANOR FARM, EAST ROAD, TETFORD, HORNCASTLE, LN9 6QQ – Extension to comment period granted to 10th April 2020

Following debate, Council voted to object to this planning application on the following grounds:

The development does not meet the criteria for building within either the AONB guidelines/ Local Plan or the national planning guidelines, as a genuine need for additional housing has not been established. With the current number of building plots which have already been approved by ELDC within Tetford and awaiting construction the Council fails to see where any justification of 'need' for additional housing has been met. The Clerk was asked to provide comments back to ELDC planning.

S/177/00536/20 | 'Nonmaterial amendment/s to that previously approved under Planning Permission ref no. S/177/2428/18". | LAND OFF NORTH ROAD, TETFORD, HORNCASTLE, LN9 6QH

This planning amendment had already received approval from ELDC, and it was therefore resolved that no further discussion was applicable regarding this item.

OOVID 19 Community Support Group — The Clerk advised that the Community Support group was registered with the County Resilience Group and that the indemnity insurance form had been signed and returned for volunteer cover. Volunteers would then receive individual guidance notes and forms to sign in order to provide insurance cover for any activities undertaken. Currently there were 21 registered volunteers and 12 residents receiving regular support. It was confirmed that Cllr Davison would continue to update the community facebook page with govt released information and community support details. A request from a resident had been received asking if the community support function would undertake additional activities not within the government guidelines. It was resolved that the community support group should only act within the govt guidelines as provided and that only govt information/ guidance should be circulated to residents.

The Community Support Group had received a request from a resident for assistance in launching a salad growing project for the village to provide additional fresh food supplies should these become reduced in future months. Following debate, **the Council resolved** it would not be possible at this time to undertake such a community project due to the current guidelines regarding social distancing.

The Clerk had circulated to Council details of the Cllr Community Grants available to assist with non-profit support activities during the COVID 19 crises. Following debate, **it was resolved** there were no immediate requirements for grant applications, but the situation should be monitored and reviewed at the next Parish Council Meeting.

- Highways & Footpaths The Clerk informed the meeting that the outstanding repair works still on FixMyStreet were being progressed by LCC Highways but at this time works were very limited. A resident had sent in a concern that two of the village footpaths run across the properties of residents who were isolating and close to their front doors. It was resolved that Council could not close these footpaths, but notices could be put up to request villagers too take alternative routes to reduce the risk to those self-isolating households. In addition, a report had been received of fly tipping of grass and hedge cuttings on the footpath off South Road. Cllr Anderton stated he had walked that path earlier today and not seen any problems.
- **00948 District Councillor Report** There was no additional report at this time.
- **County Councillor Report** There was no additional report at this time.
- **PSCO Report** There was no further report at this time

00951	Clerks Report – The Clerk advised Council that NALC and LALC had recently approved the running of virtual Parish Council Meetings by Zoom and therefore although an Annual Parish Meeting could not be held until restrictions are lifted future Parish Council Meetings could be undertaken by this method. The Clerk advised she was keeping in regular contact with LALC for ongoing advice and with suppliers to the Parish such as grass cutting contractors etc to ensure Council operated in accordance with national agreement.		
00952	Correspondence – The Clerk had circulated to Council an email regarding a VE day planter as it was noted that any public marking of the day in May would probably not be possible. Following debate, it was resolved that no expenditure should be considered on anything but essential items during this period in case funds were required to provide support during on following the COVID 19 crises.		
00953	Councillors Reports – There were no further reports at this time.		
00954	Items for Next Agenda – As identified above		
00955	Next Planned Meeting - Wednesday 13th May 2020, 7.30pm		
The meeting closed at 8.49pm			
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