

TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Wednesday, 10th November 2021 at 7:30pm, Hamilton Hall, Tetford

Present:	Chairman	Cllr Lonie
		Cllr Davison
		Cllr Renshaw
		Cllr S Kilby
		Cllr Larder
		Cllr Cawthorne

Clerk – M Hoad taking minutes.

Two members of the public joined the meeting. One resident raised the question if the village recreation ground was a registered community asset. Although the playing field is privately owned and leased to the Recreation Ground Charity it is also identified as a community asset within the village. A request was made as to whether some of the permissible footpaths close to Salmonby Bends could be reinstated to avoid walkers having to negotiate the roadway at the Bends. It was noted these paths were still in use although the maintenance of them was down not the landowners. Cllr Cawthorne agreed on his walks to check the access of these paths. R Stockdale informed the Council of his intention to purchase a defib unit which would be secured to the outside wall of the White Hart and made accessible for public use. The Parish Council thanked him for his generous offer and although no specific need had been identified for a 2nd defib it was agreed having access to one on the East side of the village would be beneficial.

01330 Apologies for absence – Apologies had been received from Cllr Todd, PCSO Wass and Cllr Marfleet (LCC). **It was resolved** to accept all reasons for absence.

01331 Declarations of Interest – No declarations of interest were raised.

01332 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 13th October 2021 had been circulated prior to the meeting and **it was resolved** to accept the minutes as correct. The Chairman signed the minutes.

01333 Financial Matters

- a. Accounts to be paid/authorised – Clerks Oct Salary & Expenses; Hamilton Hall Hire £16.00; RBL – wreath and large poppies£50; LIVES cabinet replacement £720; ICO renewal £40; Tudor Grounds Maintenance £114.00 it **was resolved** to authorise all payments.
- b. Bank Reconciliation as at end of October 2021 – the document had been circulated prior to the meeting for review & **it was resolved** to accept as correct and it was signed by the Chairman.
- c. Councillors Budget Statement at end of October 2021 - the document had been circulated prior to the meeting for review & **it was resolved** to accept as correct and it was signed by the Vice Chairman.
- d. 2022/23 Budget Proposals – the clerk had circulated some proposed budget figures for comment prior to the meeting. It was noted that the ongoing proposed spending level would be unsustainable at the current precept figure within 2 years. A positive decision had been taken in 2021/22 to spend reserves on maintenance/replacement of assets and new projects had been identified for 2022/23. Following debate, **it was resolved** to ask the clerk to amend the budget proposals to include comments raised in preparation for agreement at the January 2022 meeting.

01334 Planning Matters: - Council had received the following applications for review and comment:

- a. S/177/02146/21 – Cross Keys Inn Salmonby – Erection of 3no. detached houses with associated garages on the site of the existing public house which is to be demolished and construction of a vehicular access (work started). Following debate, **it was agreed** that these plans had been amended to take account of concerns previously raised. It was resolved to support the application, however the essential reinstatement of the hedge and no point of access via the green lane during construction was to be requested.
- b. S/177/02112/21 – High Farm, Bluestone Heath Road – Change of use, conversion of, extension and alterations to existing building to provide a dwelling. Following debate, **it was resolved** to support this application. A comment was asked to be submitted that ELDC planning do review the environmental performance (part L) of this new build prior to approval.
- c. Acolaid Case S/177/01851/21 – approved – Bridge House, West Road Tetford. – Extension and alterations to the existing dwelling to provide additional living accommodation.
- d. Acolaid Case S/177/01835/21 – approved – High Farm, Bluestone Heath Rd – Erection of storage Barn
- e. Complaint Letter to ELDC re Manor Farm Application: Following debate **it was resolved** that the response from ELDC regarding procedures followed in this planning application had not answered any of the issues raised. A further letter to be drafted to the Planning Inspector and copied to LCC, MP regarding ELDC procedures - letter to be drafted by Cllr Lonie.

01335 Recreation Ground Update – Cllr Davison advised that the recreation ground committee were holding a community quiz night on November 12th. This was not a fund-raising night more of a thank you to the village for their support. It had been noted that a misprint had occurred in the Tetford Times regarding dogs being able to be exercised off the lead on the recreation ground field. This was not the case and had caused some confusion, the committee were awaiting a response from the TT editor.

01336 Grass Cutting – It was confirmed that Tudor Grounds Maintenance had been asked to continue to cut the local verges as per current contract for a further two years.

01337 Neighbourhood Projects and Community Engagement –

- a. The Clerk advised that 14 stalls would now be available for the Craft Fair on the 14th November. A community raffle would be run to raise funds towards the replacement defib cabinet.
- b. Flagpole - Following inspection by a tree surgeon regarding the overhanging branches catching the flag it had be advised that it would be more cost effective in the long run to relocate the flagpole. A position central to the front of the village hall had been suggested. Following debate, **it was resolved** to get a quotation for relocating the flagpole. A resident had raised concern over the disrespectful condition of the old flag currently flying on the flagpole in the light of the upcoming Remembrance Day. It was agreed the flag would be removed and the new Union Jack raised. The Clerk was asked to purchase a new bob weight for the flag.

01338 Defibrillator – Authorisation had been provided to order the replacement defib cabinet. Council acknowledged the kind offer of the White Hart pub to purchase another defib unit which would be made available for public use.

- 01339 Edward Richardson Trust Report** – Cllr Renshaw advised there had been no meetings held of the committee and no additional applications made for consideration at this time.
- 01340 Highways and Footpaths** – The Clerk advised she had already reported flooding on Salmonby Bends following the completion of road works in this area. Cllr Marfleet had also been contacted to ask what further measures if any were going to take place at the Bends.
- a. Footpath South Road: J Stockdale had advised that the wooden bars at the entrance to this footpath would be removed rather than repaired in order not to impede access. The Clerk was asked to chase when works would be completed.
- 01341 Community Speed Watch Programme** – It was advised that speed watches were continuing in the village and overall, it was considered the problem of speeding vehicles was slowly improving.
- 01342 District Councillors Report** – Cllr Andrews advised that the strategic alliance with South Holland DC had now been completed. The 3 councils in the alliance would retain their own identities but reduce costs by sharing management roles. It was hoped the new ELDC hub in Horncastle would be operational by Aug/Sep 2022. Additional ELDC funds were also being spent in Market Towns in the run up to Christmas with a view to attracting local shopping. The Clerk asked Cllr Andrews for some assistance in chasing the replacement of street lighting in East Road at the end of footpath 33 which has been outstanding for over 2 yrs.
- 01343 County Councillors Report** – Cllr Marfleet had sent his apologies for the meeting; his briefing report had been circulated to all.
- 01344 PCSO Report** – PCSO Wass had sent his apologies as he could not attend the meeting and had no further report for Council at this time.
- 01345 Clerks Report** – There was no currently further report.
- 01346 Correspondence** – The Clerk had received an email from a resident concerned that the village Craft Fair was to be opening at 11:05 on Remembrance Sunday. As the date and time had been discussed with the Royal British Legion and coincided with their 100th anniversary it was considered that running the event on that day did not detract from the action of remembrance by the community and attending was a matter of personal choice.
- 01347 Councillors Reports** – Cllr Larder advised that many hedge trimmings had been dumped near the footpath running along side Bridge House and it was feared these would smother spring bulbs/flowers. It was noted this was private land and if the trimmings were not on the footpath, it was a matter to make the landowner aware of. Cllr Davison advised of incidents of poor parking by parents dropping off pupils at the primary school. In one case the road down Little London past the church had been completely blocked off by double parking. The Clerk was asked to write to the school to advise of this situation and to remind parents of the parking facilities behind the village hall.
- 01348 Items for the Next Agenda** – As identified above.
- 01349 Next Planned Parish Meeting - Wednesday 12th January 2022**

01350 Closing the Meeting to Public and Press – In accordance with The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act the Chairman moved to close the meeting to the public and press to consider personnel matters. It was resolved to close the meeting to public and press who left the room. Following the Clerk's appraisal, the Personnel Committee made salary and training recommendations for the forthcoming year. These were agreed on and will be adopted from April 2022.

Meeting closed at 21:20

Chairman

Date

Clerk

Date