

TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
Wednesday, 16th June 2021 at 7.30pm, Hamilton Hall, Tetford

Present: **Vice Chairman** Cllr Davison
 Cllr Renshaw
 Cllr P Todd
 Cllr Larder
 Cllr Kilby
 Cllr Cawthorne

Cllr Andrews (ELDC)

Clerk – M Hoad taking minutes.

Five members of the public joined the meeting. A resident expressed their concerns regarding the possible motives of some Councillors in wishing to apply for an ACV for the White Hart Pub. They considered some actions on the part of Councillors and the Council to be a personal attack on the pub owners. The resident was advised if they wished to make a complaint about any Councillor/s then this would need to be put in writing so that proper independent investigation could take place. Another resident asked if a gate could be fitted to prevent dogs getting into the children's playground. Cllr Davison responded that any gate onto the children's playground would need to comply with ROSPA health & safety guidelines. This had been investigated by the Recreation Ground Committee and the costs of an appropriate gate was in the region of £1400 which could not currently be afforded. Cllr Davison reminded the meeting that dogs should not be in the children's play area and should be kept on a lead when on the recreation ground itself. There being no further questions raised from the public the Vice Chairman welcomed attendees and opened the meeting for business.

01246 Apologies for absence – Apologies had been received from Cllr Lonie, PCSO Wass and Cllr Marfleet. **It was resolved** to accept all reasons for absence.

01247 Declarations of Interest – It was noted that planning application S/117/01282/21 – Land Off North Road, Tetford, had been received after publication of the agenda and would be discussed at the meeting only to consider an extension to the consultation period. Therefore, Cllr Todd declared an interest as the developer, and it was agreed Cllr Todd would not vote on this matter. There were no further declarations of interest.

01248 Review of Risk Management Document – The Clerk had circulated the Risk Management Document for review, and **it was resolved** to place this item on the July agenda for further consideration.

01249 Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on the 19th May 2021 had been circulated. The landlord of the pub requested that an entry be added to the minutes that he had not been present in the meeting when Councillors had voted to apply for an ACV. **it was resolved** to insert this line, which was undertaken free hand by the Clerk and to accept the minutes as correct. The Vice Chairman signed the minutes.

01250 Financial Matters

- a. Accounts to be paid/authorised – Clerks May Salary & Expenses; LALC Clerk Training £240; Tudor Grounds Maintenance £228; Hampshire Flag Company £98.93; Eurooffice inks £64.17 **it**

was resolved to authorise all payments.

- b. Bank Reconciliation as at end of May 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.
- c. Councillors Budget Statement at end of May 2021 – the document had been circulated prior to the meeting for review & **it was resolved** to accept the statement as correct and it was signed by the Vice Chairman.

01251 Planning Matters: - Council had received the following applications for review and comment:

S/177/00757/1 CROSS KEYS INN, SALMONBY – Erection of 3no. detached houses with associated garages. Following debate, **it was resolved** to object to this application on the following grounds:

- a. The first two houses on this site were not positioned within the current building line and appeared to be roadside. This would be entirely out of character with the rest of the properties along this road and it was considered would overshadow the neighbouring buildings.
- b. The Parish Council strongly refute the ‘Statement of Proof’ that any vehicle access has ever existed off Green Lane to the rear of the former Cross Keys site. The existing gap in the hedge off Green Lane has been created by the developers during demolition and requests have already been submitted to reinstate this hedge line. Any vehicles previously travelling to the rear of the Cross Keys site did so down between the hedge and the former pub building.

The Clerk was asked to submit these objections to ELDC with supporting aerial photos and local witness statements.

S/117/01282/21 LAND OFF NORTH RD, TETFORD – Erection of a dormer bungalow. This application had been received only two days prior to the meeting and therefore **it was resolved** to ask the Clerk to request an extension to the consultation period for proper review of the plans and discussion to take place at the next meeting in July. Cllr Todd refrained from comment or voting on this item.

01252 Recreation Ground Update – The Recreation Ground Committee had circulated a plea to residents for financial donations to help with the Ground’s maintenance as the annual fund raising (Terriers Race) event could not be run this year. It was noted that current financial reserves would only last until the end of 2021.

Standing Orders Down

The Vice Chairman moved to put standing orders down to allow a question from a member of the public. This was agreed by all.

A resident asked whether a fund-raising event could be held on the Recreation Ground in September. Cllr Davison responded that the Recreation Ground Committee hoped that some form of event might be possible later in the year however this could not be considered or planned for until there was greater certainty regarding the lifting of restrictions.

Standing Orders Up

With the agreement of Council, the Vice Chairman reinstated standing orders to continue the meeting.

01253 Grass Cutting – Cllr Kilby advised grass cutting was ongoing and there was no further report at this time.

01254 Neighbourhood Projects and Community Engagement –

- a. **Provision of replacement planters for village entrances** – Cllr Cawthorne advised that he had consulted with those residents responsible for maintaining the village planters and these volunteers had expressed their preference for the recycled plastic Newforest planters. The size and location of the proposed planters had been checked and **it was resolved** to ask the Clerk to confirm final costs and delivery times with a view to ordering 5 planters.
- b. **Provision of tree planting project** – Cllr Larder advised she had received ‘sponsorship’ for 2 fruit trees for the village from residents. She asked for suggestions of where these could be planted. Cllr Larder agreed to source the 2 fruit trees and Council would consider appropriate location for planting.

01255 Annual Parish Meeting – Due to Covid restrictions having not being fully lifted **it was resolved** that the APM to be held on the 29th June 2021, would have to be conducted as a standard meeting without any breakout sessions. The agenda was approved by Council.

01256 Defibrillator – Cllr Larder advised that the defibrillator had been checked and was emergency ready and had not been used. The metal cabinet housing the defibrillator was rusting, and **it was resolved** to contact LIVES regarding the provision of a quotation for a new plastic cabinet.

01257 Edward Richardson Trust Report – Cllr Renshaw advised that the Trust held their first face to face meeting in 16 months and had received 4 applications of which 3 had been awarded grants. The fourth application was from the Recreation Ground Committee and would be considered in September if the Recreation Ground Appeal was still short of funds.

01258 Highways and Footpaths – Cllr Cawthorne advised he had trimmed some of the footpaths but that hedging down the footpath off South Road needed attention. Also, the barriers at the end of the footpath on South Road needed repair. The Clerk was asked to report this to highways and to check the footpath cutting schedule for the village.

The Clerk advised no further update had been received from Highways as to when works might start on Salmonby Bends and she would chase this with Cllr Marfleet.

01259 Community Speed Watch Programme – The Clerk advised that the first speed watches had taken place and that the teams would be out on a regular basis.

01260 District Councillors Report – Cllr Andrews advised that ELDC’s alliance with Boston BC had proved successful in reducing overall costs. Following this success ELDC and Boston BC were now reviewing a possible strategic alliance with South Holland DC to combine some management functions.

- 01261 County Councillors Report** – Cllr Marfleet had not been able to attend the meeting. A copy of his briefing report had been circulated to all prior to the meeting.
- 01262 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.
- 01263 Clerks Report** – There was not additional report from the Clerk.
- 01264 Correspondence** – Emailed questions had been received prior to the meeting from a resident, who was also present on the evening. The resident was asked if the questions they had raised had been covered in the meeting.

Standing orders down

The Vice Chairman moved to put standing orders down to allow the resident to respond to the question. This was agreed by all.

The resident acknowledged their questions had been covered and asked if the Parish Council could somehow work with the pub to support them to reopen, if only maybe on a limited basis. The Vice Chairman advised that as the White Hart was a private business it would not be appropriate for the Parish Council to try and intervene in the running of this business. The landlord, who was also present at the meeting, had stated that currently the pub could only safely open on an accommodation/booking basis and the Parish Council respected this decision.

Standing order up

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- 01265 Councillors Reports** – There were no additional reports from Cllrs.

- 01266 Items for the Next Agenda** – As identified above.

- 01267 Next Planned Parish Meeting - Wednesday 7th July 2021**

The Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 21:10

Chairman

Date

Clerk

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