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**11th September 2023**

Garton on the Wolds Parish Council – Minutes of the meeting held on the **7th September 2023** at 19:15 in the School.

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| Present | |  |  | |
| Cllr. Daniel Wilson | | DW | Chairman | |
| Cllr. Alison Botten | | AB | Councillor | |
| Cllr. Mike Benton-Rose | | MBR | Councillor | |
| Attended by | |  |  | |
| **Officers** | |  |  | |
| Catherine Simpson | | CS | Clerk and RFO | |
| **Others** | |  |  | |
|  | |  | 3 members of the public  Ward Councillor Matt Rogers | |
|  |  | | | **Action** |
| **23/24-68** | WELCOME | | |  |
|  | The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the Recording Declaration. | | |  |
| **23/24-69** | PUBLIC OPEN FORUM | | |  |
|  | The following issues were raised:  1. The state of the footpath along Church View  2. The number of pot holes  3. Council house roofs – some have not been replaced?  Ward Councillor Rogers offered to take these issues up with ERYC. | | |  |
| **23/24-70** | APOLOGIES | | |  |
|  | None. | | |  |
| **23/24-71** | DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST | | |  |
|  | Cllr. Botten declared an interest in the finance section as two of the payments were reimbursements to herself. | | |  |
| **23/24-72** | **CO-OPTION** | | |  |
|  | **RESOLVED:** to co-opt Stuart Dixon as Councillor (MBR/DW). | | |  |
| **23/24-73** | **MINUTES** | | |  |
|  | **RESOLVED:** to adopt the minutes of the following meetings as a true record  Ordinary Meeting of Council 3rd August 2023 (MBR/AB). | | |  |

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| **23/24-74** | **FINANCE** |  |
|  | a. **RESOLVED**: to approve the following payments:  Alison Botten £32.45 – newsletter printing  Alison Botten £12.00 – newsletter postage  CPRE - £36.00 – annual membership |  |
| **23/24-75** | **PLANNING** |  |
|  | **23/01054/PLF - Piercy Farm**  Proposal: Change of use of agricultural buildings to 6 office units (Use Class B1) with installation of windows, doors and roof lights, erection of masonry walls and brick pillars to form opening to the courtyard and associated external and internal works and creation of 30 car park spaces following demolition of existing structures, store and steel sheds; construction of a new vehicular access and access road with passing places (AMENDED DESCRIPTION)  Location: Piercy Farm Main Street Garton On The Wolds East Riding Of Yorkshire YO25 3ET  Applicant: M B Goodwin (Skipsea) Ltd  Application Type: Full Planning Permission  The Council has received correspondence from the architects requesting support for this application. The Council has already responded on this application, however, Ward Cllr. Matt Rogers offered to speak with ERYC with a view to arranging an on-site meeting for all parties. |  |
| **23/24-76** | **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE** |  |
|  | **Bus shelter**  A fire was started in the bus shelter which caused some damage and was subsequently reported to the Police.  For a trial period a monthly book swap will be held in the church. The Clerk confirmed that the insurance would cover voluntary work on behalf of Garton Parish Council.  For the time being it has been suggested that the books be moved into the Church. There has been a very kind offer of tea / coffee made by the Church, maybe on a monthly basis. The idea of installing a camera in the shelter was discussed.  **Hedge – Greystones**  Complaints have been received about the state of the hedge at Greystones and the Clerk has written to the residents asking if this could be cut back as it is causing an obstruction to pedestrians. |  |
| **23/24-77** | **HIGHWAYS** |  |
|  | **Community Speed Watch**  A couple more names have been put forward to help with this and it was agreed that those interested should be invited to the next meeting to discuss this further.  **Green lanes**  The blocks have been taken away at the Spellowgate end. Cllr. Matt Rogers will speak with ERYC to see if there is a genuine reason for this.  The Police off-road bike has been spotted in tandem with a normal Police bike.  The ERYC policy for the management of unmetalled highways is on the agenda for review at the next Local Access Forum meeting. |  |
|  | **Station Road**  Traffic along Station Road needs slowing down and more signage is needed. There is concern that the winter weather will cause more accidents. The road has been placed on the secondary route for gritting which means that it will now be treated early in the morning. Cllr Matt Rogers will follow this up with ERYC Highways following the site visit with Andrew Addison in the summer of 2022. |  |
|  | **ACTION:** Clerk to invite interested persons to next meeting. | **CS** |
| **23/24-78** | **TELEPHONE BOX & DEFIBRILLATOR** |  |
|  | Cllr. Botten has checked the defibrillator and everything is as it should be.  The Clerk has received some possible dates for the training to take place in October and has asked the school if any of these are not available. |  |
| **23/24-79** | **EXTERNAL MEETINGS** |  |
|  | There have not been any external meetings. |  |
| **23/24-80** | **HUMAN RESOURCES** |  |
|  | **Personnel Committee**  The Clerk has checked with ERNLLCA and the committee must comprise of at least 3 councillors, one of which cannot be the Chairman.  **RESOLVED:** to wait until there are more members and revisit. |  |
| **23/24-81** | **ADMINISTRATION** |  |
|  | 1. Community Governance Review  The consultation document shows Garton as being a 7 member council and the Clerk has written to ERYC to check this as historically it has comprised 9 members. Regardless of the outcome it is felt that the Council would prefer to remain as 9 members. Cllr. Rogers will chase ERYC for a response on this.  2. Equality Policy  The updated document is more complex and there are parts of it which do not necessarily apply to smaller councils. It was agreed that more time be spent reviewing this before a decision is made.  **RESOLVED:** to carry this forward to the next meeting. |  |
| **23/24-82** | **CORRESPONDENCE** |  |
|  | The Clerks and Councils Direct magazine was circulated.  Posters for Classically Yours were passed to Cllr. Botten for the notice board(s). |  |
| **23/24-83** | **COUNCILLORS EXCHANGE & AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING** |  |
|  | Replacement bench for west end of the village.  Equality Policy |  |
| **23/24-84** | **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** |  |
|  | The next meeting will be held on the 5th October at 19:15 in the School. |  |
| **23/24-85** | **CONFIDENTIAL** |  |
|  | **RESOLVED:** that due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public are excluded from the remainder of the meeting (Section 1(2), Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960):  Payment of working from home allowance to the Clerk.  The Clerk will circulate information on this together with updated salary scales and copy contract for the next meeting. |  |

Meeting closed at 20:50

Signature of Chairman:

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