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**8th March 2024**

Garton on the Wolds Parish Council – Minutes of the meeting held on the **7th of March 2024** at 19:15 in the School.

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| Present | |  |  | |
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| Cllr. Alison Botten | | AB | Acting Chairman | |
| Cllr. Stuart Dixon | | SD | Councillor | |
| Cllr. Tom Cawkwell | | TC | Councillor | |
| Cllr. Mike Benton-Rose | | MBR | Councillor | |
| Attended by | |  |  | |
| **Officers** | |  |  | |
| Catherine Simpson | | CS | Clerk | |
| **Others** | |  |  | |
| 1 member of the public | |  |  | |
|  |  | | | **Action** |
| **23/24-171** | WELCOME | | |  |
|  | In the absence of Cllr. Wilson members **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr. Alison Botten as Chairman for the meeting.  Cllr. Botten welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the Recording Declaration. | | |  |
| **23/24-172** | PUBLIC OPEN FORUM | | |  |
|  | No issues were raised. | | |  |
| **23/24-173** | APOLOGIES | | |  |
|  | Apologies were received from Cllr. Daniel Wilson and the reason accepted. | | |  |
| **23/24-174** | DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST | | |  |
|  | None. | | |  |
| **23/24-175** | **CO-OPTION** | | |  |
|  | There is some interest being shown and all being well at least one of the vacancies will be filled at the next meeting. | | |  |
| **23/24-176** | **MINUTES** | | |  |
|  | **RESOLVED:** to adopt the minutes of the following meetings as a true record:  Ordinary Meeting of Council 1st February 2024 (SD/TC). There was one abstention.  Extra Ordinary Meeting of Council 20th February 2024 (SD/MBR) | | |  |

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| **23/24-177** | **FINANCE** |  |
|  | 1. **RESOLVED**: to approve the payments as detailed on the schedule (SD/MBR) 2. The accounts for February were approved and the bank reconciliation signed by Cllr. Alison Botten (AB/MBR). 3. The new bank mandate is now in place and the signatories are Cllrs. Botten and Wilson and the Clerk. |  |
| **23/24-178** | **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE** |  |
|  | 1. The grass verges are being destroyed as a result of vehicles being parked on them. It was agreed that Cllr. Botten will post something on Facebook and the Clerk will ask the School if it can include something in its next newsletter. 2. The grass bank just past East End Farm is becoming quite overgrown with briars etc. and it was suggested that this may be a project for the Community Payback team. |  |
|  | **ACTION:** Clerk to speak to ERYC and Cllr. Botten to create Facebook post. | **CS**  **AB** |
| **23/24-179** | **HIGHWAYS** |  |
|  | Community Speed Watch  A training session is to take place on the 21st March at 19:15 in the School and those interested persons have been notified. Cllr. Botten will create a Facebook post to gauge further interest and also ask the Driffield Post to include this in their publication. The Clerk will put something onto the website and also ask the School if they can also make parents aware. |  |
|  | **ACTION:** Cllr. Botten to create Facebook post and the Clerk to update the website and speak to the School. | **AB**  **CS** |
| **23/24-180** | **TELEPHONE BOX / DEFIBRILLATOR** |  |
|  | Cllr. Botten has checked the defibrillator and everything is in order. She has also received the “defibrillator” sign. It was agreed that a second sign would be purchased and Cllr. Botten will send the link to the Clerk. |  |
|  | **ACTION:** Cllr. Botten to send link for the sign to the Clerk who will then place the order. | **AB**  **CS** |
| **23/24-181** | **OUTDOOR SPACES** |  |
|  | Bus Shelter  Cllr. Botten has spoken with the Men in Sheds group which has confirmed that they would be able to make some shelf units. The Council would need to supply the timber and the cost would be by way of a donation.  The Do if for East Yorkshire Fund will be open for applications again shortly and it was agreed that the other work required such as decorating could be grant funded. Cllr. Botten will obtain some quotations in the meantime.  The Clerk will include an item for the bus shelter project on the April agenda. |  |
|  | **ACTION:** Cllr. Botten to obtain quotes for the decorating of the bus shelter. | **AB** |
| **23/24-182** | **EXTERNAL MEETINGS** |  |
|  | None. |  |

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| **23/24-183** | **POSSIBLE LAND PURCHASE** |  |
|  | The Clerk has spoken with the agent regarding the property currently for sale on Main Street. The seller has advised that they would consider selling just the paddock but only in the event that they had a buyer for the house who did not want the paddock.  This item will be removed from future agendas. |  |
| **23/24-184** | **D DAY 80 YEARS** |  |
|  | It was agreed that this anniversary ought to be fairly low key with the emphasis being on the 80th anniversary of VE Day next year. It was decided that the planting of wildflower seeds at the west end of the village would be a fitting way of marking this occasion. |  |
| **23/24-185** | **TWILIGHT BUS SERVICE** |  |
|  | **RESOLVED:** to make a donation of £50.00.  Cllr. Botten advised that she has been approached by a member of the PCC. Historically the Council has given regular donations to the Church and it is hoped that this could be resumed. Cllr. Botten asked that the PCC write to the Clerk in the first instance and the issue can then be included in a future agenda. |  |
| **23/24-186** | **COUNCILLOR ROLES** |  |
|  | The following roles were allocated:   1. Finance – Cllr. Daniel Wilson 2. Human Resources – Cllr. Alison Botten 3. Defibrillator Facilitator – Cllr. Alison Botten 4. Keeper of the Flags – Cllr. Daniel Wilson 5. Christmas Lights Facilitator – Cllr. Alison Botten 6. Social Media – Cllr. Alison Botten 7. Community Speed Watch – Cllr. Tom Cawkwell 8. Utilities Facilitator – Cllr. Mike Benton-Rose 9. Village Appearance Facilitator – Cllr. Stuart Dixon 10. ERNLLCA Representatives – Cllr. Alison Botten & Cllr. Daniel Wilson |  |
|  | **ACTION:** Clerk to update the website. | **CS** |
| **23/24-187** | **TRAINING** |  |
|  | 1. It was agreed that the Clerk can undertake the new SLCC PIALC qualification. It is expected that the cost will be divided between the councils of which she is Clerk. 2. Cllr. Botten will attend the ERNLLCA grant training. |  |
|  | **ACTION:** Clerk to book training. | **CS** |
| **23/24-188** | **POND** |  |
|  | Pest Control  **RESOLVED:** to renew the pest control contract with ERYC (MBR/SD). |  |
| **23/24-189** | **CORRESPONDENCE** |  |
|  | The Clerks and Councils Direct was circulated. |  |
| **23/24-190** | **COUNCILLORS EXCHANGE & AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING** |  |
|  | 1. Cllr. Cawkwell advised that he had contact ERYC regarding the security issue with the website and has been informed that they are aware of it. 2. The Clerk has asked for photos of the village both old and new which can be digitally copied and used on the website. 3. The trees are arriving on the 8th March and a planting date has been arranged for the 16th March at 10:00 at the west end of the village. |  |

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| **23/24-191** | **NEXT MEETING** |  |
|  | The next meeting will take place on the 4th April in the Church.  The meeting closed at 20:25 |  |

Signature of Chairman:

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