

NORTH FERRIBY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES
Environment Committee
8 February 2021

PRESENT: Councillors Dennett (Chairman), Black, Blogg, Holborn, Mabbett, Richardson and Wood
IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk J Haslope

Minute No.
ENV 20/

27. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – There were none

28. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST - These are recorded at the appropriate minute.

29. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 DECEMBER 2020 – Resolved – that the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

30. PUBLIC FORUM - There was no public speaking

31. CLERK'S REPORT

31.1. Monthly report – The Clerk gave an update of what had happened since the last meeting – the bus stop posters have been updated, the pavement to the War Memorial bus stop has been reported to ERYC as requiring improvement and it was agreed that up to £50 of compost would be purchased for Coronation Gardens. The Village Taskforce Walkabout which was postponed last summer will take place but only with a single representative from both ERYC and NFPC present. A list of items to be raised will be collated. Finally it was noted that the works to the Riverside Walkway by Story Contracting had been completed. It was agreed that the Clerk will contact Network Rail for a contribution towards maintenance cost for the new track surface.

31.2. The current financial report was reviewed. No concerns were raised.

32. OTHER MATTERS

32.1. New Bin – The Clerk shared the correspondence from a resident requesting that a new bin be installed at the Hesse end of the Riverside Walkway. It was agreed that this may encourage dog walkers to dispose of their dog waste better and that ERYC would be approached to find out if they would service a bin in this location. If the response from ERYC was favourable, then it was agreed that the committee would recommend expenditure on this item to the Parish Council.

32.2. Story Contracting Benches – Following the completion of the works Story Contracting would like to donate two benches to the area. Since the ERYC Countryside Access Officer has agreed to take on the ownership and maintenance of these assets and Story have agreed that additional memorial plaques may be placed on the benches, it was agreed that the benches could be sited on Parish Council land at the far end of the Riverside Walkway.

32.3. Condition of the YWW footpath – Several complaints have been received about the poor state of the footpaths on the Riverside Walkway. The clerk has raised this with the ERYC Countryside Access Officer, who is responsible for maintaining these footpaths, and it has been agreed that this area will be reviewed, and subject to budget, any repairs required will be made in the spring.

32.4. Coronation Gardens – It was agreed that the planter in Coronation Gardens should be renewed again in the summer at a cost of £284 + VAT.

32.5. Allotments – There has been a request from the Allotment Committee to remove a tree on the boundary ditch, near allotment 35B. It was agreed that a quotation for this would be sought.

Cllrs Dennett, Black and Mabbett declared an interest being allotment holders.

32.6. Mires Beck Nursery – The committee had a discussion about what they would like to achieve by forming a partnership with Mires Beck and also raised issues that they would like to avoid. The clerk will share these with the Habitat Supervisor at Mires Beck and suggest starting by carrying out a small project to regenerate the Enchanted Woodland.

Cllr Blogg declared an interest being a volunteer at Mires Beck.

The meeting closed at : 9.50 am

Date of next meeting : 8 March 2021