

NORTH FERRIBY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES
Environment Committee
8 March 2021

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

Minute No.
ENV 20/

- 33. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Councillors Black and Richardson submitted apologies
- 34. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST** - These are recorded at the appropriate minute.
- 35. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 FEBRUARY 2021 – Resolved** – that the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- 36. PUBLIC FORUM** - There was no public speaking.
- 37. CLERK'S REPORT**

- 37.1. Monthly report** – The Clerk reported that several residents had been litter picking in the village and collected lots of litter. It was noted that ERYC are considering the request for bins at the far end of the Riverside Walkway and an assessment on the extra journey will be made. It was noted that new padlocks for securing the vehicular gates on the Riverside Walkway had been purchased at the cost of £66 +Vat and that ERYC will be altering the catches on the disabled gates to improve them. The salt bin on the corner of Narrow Lane and Station Road has been damaged, but it was agreed that it will not be replaced until the Autumn. Finally, it was agreed that a Memorial Plaque can be installed on a bench on the Riverside Walkway.
- 37.2.** The current financial report was reviewed. No concerns were raised.

38. OTHER MATTERS

- 38.1. Memorial tree** – It was agreed that a memorial tree could be planted on the Riverside Walkway, since there was no request for a plaque and the tree would be purchased by the requestor. However it was agreed that the tree should not be planted until the autumn and the site proposed was the open space at the far end of the walkway where Story Contracting had their compound.
- 38.2. Letter from a resident regarding the Riverside Walkway.** – The contents of the letter were discussed and it was agreed that a response would be sent.
- 38.3. Flags** – It was agreed that 4 new flags would be purchased from Hi-Fliers at a cost of £200 + VAT and Delivery.
- 38.4. Allotment Tree** – Following the request from the allotment committee to remove a tree, the lower branches have since been pruned back, and due to the time of year it was agreed that any decision to fell the tree would be taken in the Autumn.
- 38.5. Sluice Gate** – It was noted that the Chairman of the Committee had had a conversation with the owner of the sluice gate about the condition of the sluice and the level of water on Ings Field. Agreement was made to arrange a meeting on site once Covid restrictions allow.
- 38.6. Story Contracting** – It was agreed that a letter of thanks would be written to Story Contracting following the completion of their works
- 38.7. Regeneration of Woodland Area** – Following a conversation with the Habitat Supervisor at Mire Beck, the clerk explained that the regeneration work of the woodland cannot start until the autumn as the first step required will be to fell a selection of trees to increase the space for the remaining trees to mature. Instead it was suggested that wild flowers are planted at the top of the meadow area as you enter the walkway. It was agreed that if it can be arranged in time, this should be done as a pilot project and a sum of up to £500 could be spent on this.
Cllr Blogg declared an interest being a volunteer at Mires Beck.

The meeting closed at : 10.15 am
Date of next meeting : 12 April 2021 for Village Walk

Signed by the Chairman.....Date..... ENV pg.20