

NORTH FERRIBY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES
Environment Committee
25 March 2024

PRESENT: Councillors Dennett (Chairman) J.Abraham, Black, Holborn and Wood
IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk J Haslope

Minute No.
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- 45. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – There were none.
- 46. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST** – There were none.
- 47. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26 FEBRUARY 2024 – Resolved** - that the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- 48. PUBLIC FORUM** – There was no public speaking.
- 49. CLERK'S REPORT**
- 49.1. Monthly Report** – The Clerk reported that new flags were required. It was agreed that new Union flags and Yorkshire flags would be purchased from Hi Fliers at a cost of no more than £300. It was noted that the allotment ditch had been cleared and that the bus stops had been graffitied, but that this had been reported to the police and had been removed. The Clerk reported that she had met with the Countryside Access Officer, and gave a brief update of correspondence with residents.
- 49.2.** The current financial report was reviewed. No concerns were raised.
- 50. OTHER MATTERS**
- 50.1. Riverside Walkway** – It was agreed that SJK Garden Services would be asked to install a post on the Riverside Walkway so that an additional waste bin could be fixed to it, at an estimated cost of £60.
- 50.2. Signs** – The damage to the newly installed ‘Don’t pick the flowers’ sign was noted and it was agreed that the signs would be removed at the beginning of summer and installed again next spring.
- 50.3. Yorkshire Wolds Heritage Trust** – It was agreed that the Committee would become a corporate member at a cost of £15.
- 50.4. Local Nature Reserve** – A report was circulated prior to the meeting providing information on whether to designate the Riverside Walkway as a Local Nature Reserve. After a discussion it was agreed not to pursue this further.
- 50.5. Street Trees** – The article about ‘Funding Street Trees’ was circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed that contact would be made with the ERYC Trees officer to visit the village and consider which verges were suitable sites where new trees could be planted.
- 50.6. Volunteers** – The offer of volunteers from Wren Kitchens was discussed and it was agreed that their help would be very beneficial when the Reed Pond and Woodland Clearance work was planned in October. The Clerk will respond to the enquiry accordingly.
- 50.7. Blasket Pond** – A report on the condition of Blasket Pond was circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed that the Environment Committee would recommend that the Parish Council takes legal advice on the ownership status of the area, with a view to claiming ownership of the land in order to preserve and enhance it for the benefit of residents.
- 50.8. Local Nature Recovery Strategy** – The details of the next webinar were noted.
- 50.9. Village Walk** – It was agreed that the next Village Walk would take place on Tuesday 23 April starting at 9am and would focus on the Riverside Walkway.

The meeting closed at : 9.50am

Date of next meeting : Village Walk on 23 April 2024

Signed by the Chairman.....Date..... ENV pg.44