

NORTH FERRIBY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES
22 April 2024

PRESENT: Councillors Hookem (Chairman) J.Abraham, M.Abraham, Allmendinger, Black, Blogg, Dennett, Holborn, Knight & Wood

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk J Haslope, Ward Cllr Corless and Ward Cllr Hopton

Minute No.
PC 23 -

- 167. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Cllr Shaikh submitted apologies.
- 168. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST** – Declarations are noted at the appropriate minute.
- 169. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 25 MARCH 2024 – Resolved** - that the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- 170. PUBLIC FORUM** – There was no public speaking
- 171. WARD COUNCILLOR’S REPORT** – Both Ward Cllr Hopton and Ward Cllr Corless gave the council a report about issues that had been raised over the last month, which included complaints about MS3, human waste on the Melton Industrial Estate and motorbikes in Long Plantation, the response to the flood warnings, and information about the Humber View Hotel.
- 172. CLERK’S REPORT** – The Clerk reported that residents had contacted her with concerns about the loss of verges, noise from Plot E, anti-social behaviour in the Humber Road car park and motorbikes in Long Plantation. It was noted that the Emergency Plan had been enacted due to the flood warnings issued by the EA and although the water had not breached the flood wall, the rock armour near the Reed Pond has been damaged and this has been reported to both the EA and ERYC. Finally it was noted that members of the Environment Committee had met with a tree officer regarding sites where new trees could be planted in the verges and up to 70 sites had been identified.
- 173. FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES REPORT**
- 173.1. Expenditure** – The Council approved the payment of invoices as detailed in Minute No. PC 23-181.
- 173.2. Internal Audit** – TC Group have completed the year end internal audit for 2023/24 for the Council. The report was received and no concerns were raised.
- 173.3. Asset Register** – The Asset Register was reviewed and approved.
- 173.4. Pension Fund** – Payments by cheque to the pension fund will no longer be accepted, so the Council **Resolved** to make payments by electronic transfer using the process outlined in the report provided.
- 174. COMMITTEE MINUTES** – The Council received and noted the following minutes:-
- 174.1.** Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 13 March 2024
- 174.2.** Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 10 April 2024
- 174.3.** Minutes of the Playing Field Committee held on 13 March 2024
- 175. PARISH MATTERS**
- 175.1. Priory Avenue** – Following on from the discussions had in February, *Minute No.23-144.3*, ERYC Highways has now provided two further options which would permanently prevent verge parking, planters and white posts. It was **Resolved** that white posts should be purchased and installed at the entrance to Priory Avenue, and new trees should be planted further along the verge.
- 175.2. D-Day 80** – It was agreed that an application for the D-Day 80 grant from ERYC would be made. The arrangements for the beacon lighting were discussed and the risk assessment for the event was reviewed and agreed.
- 175.3. Le Pellerin** – Following a request via the Twinning Association it was agreed that Place Wilberforce would be proposed as a name for a square in Le Pellerin.
- 175.4. Village Hall** – It was noted that a feasibility study of the Village Hall had been carried out, using grant funding, to review ways to improve the energy efficiency of the building and protect its future

for the next 50 years. It was agreed that once published, members of the Village Hall Management Committee should be invited to present the outcome of the study to the Parish Council. It was also noted that an application is being made to improve the digital facilities at the Hall.

Cllrs J. Abraham, Dennet & Knight declared a non-pecuniary interest being members of the Village Hall Management Committee.

175.5. Local Roads – Cllr Holborn proposed that the Parish Council should apply for a weight restriction on Ferriby High Road, High Street and Melton Road, to prevent HGVs travelling through the village unnecessarily. It was agreed that an application for this would be made to ERYC Highways department.

175.6. Riverside Walkway – The RDA has requested that the sycamore trees in the copse by the boat pavement are removed as the seeds and saplings are toxic to horses, and currently the bottom paddock is unusable due to the number of saplings present. It is estimated that there are at least 5 trees that need to be removed, but not all trees have come into leaf yet. It was **Resolved** that up to £2000 could be spent on removing the sycamores and the decision of which contractor to use would be delegated to the Clerk and Chairman of the Environment Committee.

175.7. Blasket Pond – Following the recommendation of the Environment Committee it was agreed that the Parish Council would seek 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.

176. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED & NOTED

176.1. ERNLLCA Newsletter

176.2. ERYC Town and Parish councillors' bulletin – Friday 12 April 2024

177. TRUSTEES OF THE PLAYING FIELD

177.1. **Receipts** - The following receipts were noted by the Trustees

- £ 536.00 VAT Reclaim
- £ 1,456.56 NFFC Rent
- £ 135.00 Bowls Club
- £ 250.00 Cricket Club

177.2. **Expenditure** – The Trustees approved the payment of invoices as detailed in Minute No. PC 22-182.

178. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC – It was **Resolved** that the press and public would be excluded from the meeting owing to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, in accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

179. TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE HALL – The Trustees Resolved its position on the matter under discussion and approved expenditure of up to £3000.

Cllrs J. Abraham, Dennet & Knight declared a non-pecuniary interest being members of the Village Hall Management Committee.

180. OPEN SPACE – The Council received an update.

Cllr Allmendinger declared a non-pecuniary interest being a member of Save Ferriby.

181. EXPENDITURE FROM PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNT – The following invoices were passed for payment

Payee	Details	Vat £	Gross £
KCOM	Telephone/Internet	4.80	28.80
Village Plumbing & Heating Service	Water Heater in Pavilion		748.00
ERNLLCA	Annual Subscription		1086.68
Origin Amenity Solutions	Bowls Lawn Treatment		812.66
M Wood	Top soil for Bowls Lawn		70.00
SJK Garden Services	Grounds Maintenance PW		500.00
Salaries and Expenses	Office	20.28	2955.54

182. EXPENDITURE FROM THE CHARITY ACCOUNT – The following invoices were passed for payment

<i>Payee</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Vat £</i>	<i>Gross £</i>
Ferriby Fencing	Grounds Maintenance – Playing Field	96.00	576.00
Tony Cook	Fencing	234.20	1405.20

The meeting closed at : 9.10pm

Date of next meeting : 20 May 2024