

# **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF FRITTON WITH ST OLAVES PARISH HELD ON THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019 AT ST OLAVES VILLAGE HALL**

## **In Attendance:**

Chairman - Allan Mendum, Parish Councillors –Stannas Bellaby, Judith Bosworth, Margaret Johnson, Keith Nunn, Jill Rose, Peter Storey, Rowland Dunn, John Burton and Doug Youngs and two members of the public including Brough Councillor David Drewitt..

**The meeting commenced at 7.06pm**

## **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology had been received from Roy Ceiley (Fritton Institute).

The Chairman reported a letter of resignation has been received from Parish Councillor Doug Youngs

## **2. MINUTES OF THE 2018 PARISH MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at St Olaves Village Hall were confirmed as correct and the Chairman was authorised to sign them. Proposed Cllr Nunn, Seconded Cllr Bellaby. All In Favour.

## **3. REPORT OF THE PARISH CLERK.**

The Parish Council held the usual bi- monthly meetings throughout the year. The meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month, with the exception of the forthcoming May meeting this year which has been brought forward due to the Parish Council elections. Meetings are held alternatively between St Olaves Village Hall and Fritton Village Hall.

The Parish Council has 10 members with Allan Mendum as Chairman and Stannis Bellaby as Vice Chair. Yesterday Allan received a letter of resignation from Councillor Doug Youngs. Such a valued member of the Parish Council Doug will be greatly missed and a letter thanking Doug for his many years of service to the Parish Council will be sent following the meeting.

In October Gabi Roesch resigned from her role as Parish Clerk. Gabi worked extremely hard during her two years of service to create the Council website, to ensure the Council complies with the Transparency Code, she also made the Council compliant with the new General Data Protection Regulations. The Council have expressed their appreciation for all for all her hard work during her time with them.

The Council has continued to receive a great a great amount of support from Borough Councillors David Drewitt and Brian Lawn, and from County Councillor Andy Grant.

The Council's finances remain in good order. The total receipts during the last financial year in respect of the Parish Precept has slightly increased to £7445, and it is estimated the cash reserves will remain in excess of £8000 at the end of the

financial year.

The Annual return for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 was given a clean report by the Internal Auditor. The Council is no longer required for the year end accounts to be inspected by the External Auditor as it falls under the exempt category due to its turnover being under £25,000.

Matters dealt with during the past year:

<b>Knotweed at the Dell</b>	The area continues to be regularly treated to prevent re-growth. Anglian Water to monitor the water course.
<b>Traffic speed on the A143</b>	County Councillor Andy Grant has offered to purchase and gift to the villages a SAM2 speed sign. A site meeting with the Highways Engineer has been undertaken to agree where the sign can be located.
<b>Fritton Woods</b>	The Police have reported a problem with anti-social behaviour involving motor-cycles in the Lothingland area, including the woods. The volume of visitors to the area is continuing to cause a problem with many cars.
<b>Application for Mineral Extraction at Waveney Forest</b>	The Initial Consultation document contained a conclusion for each of the 41 sites submitted to the County Council for consideration for mineral extraction. The initial conclusion for Waveney Forest was: "The site is considered to be unsuitable for allocation because the harm to the significance of Waveney Forest,." After any final amendments, a draft Plan will be published for technical and legal representations at the end of 2019. If the Plan is found to be sound it will go before the County Council for adoption in late 2020.

#### **4. REPORTS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS**

Reports were received from the following local groups and organisations:

- St Olaves Village Hall
- St Edmund's Church Fritton
- Fritton Poorlands Report
- Herringfleet Poorlands Trust:  
No report was received but Cllr Rose informed the meeting that the income for this trust comes from a reed bed alongside the river Waveney. The quality and quantity of the reeds is assessed by the Reed Cutters each year and is reported to have improved considerably.
- Fritton Village Hall

#### **5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no any other business.

**The meeting closed was then closed at 7:26p.m.**