

# **Fritton with St Olaves Parish Council**

Chairman: Allan Mendum

Vice Chairman: Stannas Bellaby

## **Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2019 At St Olaves Village Hall**

### **Present:**

Chairman - Allan Mendum, Councillors Margaret Johnson, Jill Rose, Peter Storey, Rowland Dunn, Keith Nunn, John Stephens, Parish Clerk Kate Palmer and two members of the public including Borough Cllr Myers.

*The meeting commenced at 7.30pm*

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Burton, Bosworth, Bellaby, Borough Cllr Cameron and County Cllr Grant.

### **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3. MINUTES**

Minutes from the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record Proposed Cllr Dunn, Seconded Cllr Johnson. All In Favour.

### **4. MATTERS ARISING**

-It was agreed to notify Highways Dept that the repair made to the side of the road next to the children's play area needs looking at again as it is starting to break up. It was generally agreed ideally the area needs to be tarmacked or have a curb stone added as the same problem will reoccur when there is heavy rainfall.

- Cllr Johnson stated an update had been received from the Broads Society on the Glover Report. The report stated they are not satisfied with the current structure. Each park runs individually and are therefore ineffective. Some of this failure comes from the fact that our protected landscapes have not been given the tools, the funding and the direction to do the job we should now expect of them. Our system of landscape protection today is fragmented, sometimes marginalised and often misunderstood. It is believed this leads to duplication, wastes resources and diminishes ambition. They will be making proposals to address this, and will explore the potential for a National Landscape Service in the final report. They have suggested the current system of governance for National Parks should be reformed.

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It was reported the machine has been ordered and there is an eight week wait while it is being manufactured. Three volunteers have come forward that would be happy to move the sign. The Clerk will arrange to meet with them once the sign has been delivered.

-The latest edition of the Harnser magazine from the Broad Society had been received.

-Police Report- For the month of May there was one crime reported on or near Forest Mount. The crime is being investigated.

-It was reported there are now markings on the road where the dips are as you travel over the bridge so possibly some improvement works may be undertaken.

-The Chairman and Cllrs Rose and Johnson are to look into where a public right of way signage is needed in St Olaves.

### **5. ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATION**

It was agreed to adopt the existing standing orders and financial regulations again. Proposed Cllr Storey, Seconded Cllr Dunn. All In Favour.

## 6. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

The Clerk had circulated to all members prior to the meeting a copy of the new Parish Council policy. With no amendments made to accept as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Nunn, Seconded Cllr Johnson. All In Favour

## 7. BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Cllr Myers confirmed he is now sitting on the following committees at GYBC, these being Policy and Resources, Economic Development and Development Control.

Following the last meeting he has contacted GYBC about the Japanese knotweed and they have confirmed the area is under control, they are still continuing to treat the area and will be out again in September to continue the works.

Following on with the speeding issues on the A143 a meeting has taken place with Inspector Hewitt, there is to be a further meeting with Lorne Green and N.C.C Highways as there is a definite need for funding to install barriers to protect the properties near Church Lane.

Belton with Browston Parish Council have arranged a village clean up day in September. The equipment is being provided by GYBC and has been given free of charge so they may be used at other events. The equipment will be stored at New Road Centre in Belton.

Cllr Myers confirmed he now Chair of the Village Voice Board, and is also Chair of the Lothingland C.L.T. The group is making good progress and is now looking at two sites in Burgh Castle for their first build.

## 8. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCIAL MATTERS

-It was reported there will be a £70 charge to empty the dog bin at Fritton Woods. The bin is being emptied on a weekly basis every Tuesday.

-The Clerk reported she had contacted Farmland Forestry to undertaken the cutting back of vegetation along the footpath at Blocka Run. Mr Foster has quoted a maximum charge of £50 to clear the area as it has not been done for at least one year and has become very overgrown.

-The Clerk reported the BT broadband at Fritton Hall is due to be renewed in September. After some discussion it was agreed to ask Fritton Village Hall Committee if they do use the broadband and would like to continue to have it in place. If they do they will need to contribute 50% towards the monthly charges which would amount to £14 per month. It was agreed if they did not wish to go ahead with this option the broadband contract will not be renewed and the Parish Council will pay £10 per month towards the Clerks broadband, this would save the Parish Council £230 a year.

Invoice Number	Cheque Number	Detail	VAT	Amount
11	DD	BT – Broadband (June invoice pd by DD in July)	£5.98	£35.88
12	DD	BT – Broadband (July invoice pd by DD in August)	£5.98	£35.88
13	100633	K. Palmer- June Salary		£343.71
14	100634	K. Palmer -July Salary		£343.51
15	100635	HMRC -Tax from K. Palmer – June & July 2019		£171.80

16	100636	St Olaves Village Hall - donation		£150.00
17	100637	Fritton Institute - donation		£150.00
18	100638	SSAF – new notice board	£29.52	£177.12
19	100639	St Olaves Village Hall – Meeting Hire		£27.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£41.48</b>	<b>£1434.90</b>

To Propose payment for the sheet above Cllr Nunn, Seconded Cllr Johnson. All In Favour.

## 9. REPORTING OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS IN VILLAGE VOICE

A letter had been received from the Village Voice requesting permission to produce the notes for the Village Voice to be taken from draft minutes rather than waiting for the approved minutes as it is such a long time after each meeting the notes are then published in the magazine. It was agreed that the Clerk should send draft minutes onto the Village Voice so that the most current information is published in the magazine.

## 10. PLANNING

06/19/0301/F 3a Priory Rd, St Olaves Replace and relocate double garage

It was agreed to submit no objections to the planning application below with the comment the new garage is no larger than the existing one, and there is no further development of a new building.

06/19/0228/F Landscape, New Road, Fritton Static caravan to be used as an annexe

It was agreed to object to the above application. Concerns this may set a precedent and may affect the views from neighbouring properties, could screening be used to prevent it being seen from the road.

The following application has been granted:

06/19/0301/F 3a Priory Rd, St Olaves Replace and relocate double garage

*At 8.14pm the meeting was opened to allow comments from a member of public.*

-A member of the public at this point was permitted to brief the Parish Council about concerns in relation to planning application BA/2019/0081/HOUSEH.

These being the use of galvanised steel piling on the residential side of the River Waveney, put in place without Planning Permission. It was felt the steel pilings should be replaced by timber pilings. The shared private dyke has previously been used as an overflow storage facility for the boatyard. Concerns that this may be the start of further development. The Broads Authority have visited the site but have not said as yet if any further action will be undertaken. Assurance was wanted that the dyke will be monitored and used only for residential purposes.

It was agreed for the resident to send relevant information onto the Clerk which will then be passed onto Borough Cllr Myers who will then contact the Broads Authority for an update on the situation.

## 11. TIME & DATE PLUS ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE NEXT MEETING

**The next meeting will be held on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm at Fritton Village Hall.**

-The matter of the St Olaves village sign was raised. Currently G.D.C. have agreed to clean the sign but going forward would the Parish Council undertake this maintenance as it is a village asset? It was agreed to make this an agenda item at the next meeting to be discussed.

-A website is to be developed to display the history of the St Olaves village sign. The Clerk suggested the information could be displayed on the current Parish Council website or a link between the two sites could be created.

-It was felt more needs to be done to improve the A143 that runs through both villages, also the single track bridge should be returned to two lanes. It was reported historically the Parish Council have made such a request on many occasions but have always been told this is not possible.

-Campaigning for a bypass was also discussed. Borough Cllr Myers explained any person could create such a campaign however this would not be dealt with by the Parish Council or GYBC it would be dealt with by Highways England.

-Borough Cllr Myers asked the Parish Council can the defibrillator located at GDC look to be moved and placed in a locked cabinet so the public has access to it 24/7. It was suggested a possibility could be to relocate the defibrillator to the Bell and fix the cabinet to an outside wall so it could be accessed any time of the day. It was agreed to make this an agenda item for discussion at the next meeting.

***With no further business the meeting was closed at 8.40pm***