

Fritton with St Olaves Parish Council

Chairman: Allan Mendum

Vice Chairman: Stannas Bellaby

Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 28th November 2019

At St Olaves Village Hall

Present:

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

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

PUBLIC SECTION

Jayne Biggs from Heart 2 Heart Norfolk was present to give a brief report on how the defibrillators work and to discuss possible funding options. The Charity is not for profit, and run by volunteers.

The Charity has currently funded 152 public access defibrillators which can be accessed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Defibrillators that can not be accessed this way will not be live on the ambulance map. GDC in St Olaves do have a defibrillator but it is only available during office hours, and it is thought it is sometimes taken with them to other jobs when working at other locations as required. The cost of a new defibrillator and cabinet from Heart 2 Heart Norfolk is £1500 and is guaranteed for 10 years. The Parish Council would not have to pay any installation cost as an Electrician can always be found to install the machine free of charge. The machine also comes with a first aid kit which include scissors, anti-septic wipes etc. The Defibrillators are fully endorsed by the Ambulance Service, the pads can go on the patient either top or bottom, and it will not shock someone that does not need it. The defibrillator recognises the patient's condition and talks you through what to do accordingly. The batteries last for four years, and the only safety test needed is someone to check on the front of the cabinet that the batteries are working properly, once a fortnight.

One recommendation is that due to both villages having such a bad mobile phone reception for the cabinet be left unlocked at all times. If someone came to need to use the machine but could not call the ambulance service to obtain the cabinet key code it would mean they would not be able to get to the machine. The Bell in St Olaves has raised over £350 so far and has given consent for one to be installed there with 24/7 access.

With no further business the public section was closed and the main meeting commenced at 7.51pm.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Burton and Bosworth and Borough Cllr Myers. To accept the apologies Proposed Cllr Johnson, Seconded Cllr Bellaby. All In Favour.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting held on 26th September 2019 had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record Proposed Cllr Bellaby, Seconded Cllr Nunn. All In Favour.

4. MATTERS ARISING

St Olaves Village Sign

A reply had been received from Fiona Cowan concerning the St Olaves village sign:

There is, or should be a pot of money which was originally raised for the sign and planters. It should be being kept with but separate from, the Village Hall funds. No money has had to be used recently as GDC have kindly undertaken to cut the grass. (Although they had been paid £15 a time for the first 2 years), they now do it for free for the community. Myhill's Nursery in Fritton, kindly supply the plants for free. There has been thought to try to freshen up the sign and the seat and I'll try to organise some help for that in the New Year.

NALC – National Smaller Councils Committee Elections

After brief discussion it was agreed to submit two votes for the two candidates that live close to the area. These being Jeremy Burton (Bungay, Suffolk) and Kevin Cross (Wrentham, Suffolk).

Village Footpaths

Cllr Johnson reported County Cllr Grant has provided written copies giving the locations of all footpaths within Fritton and St Olaves. Cllrs Johnson and Bellaby will investigate the condition of the paths and if they are accessible. Cllr Johnson has also now been able to print off the file containing a map showing the locations provided by County Cllr Grant.

5. GREATER YARMOUTH B.I.D. / DEFIBRILATOR

The Clerk reported after submitting the application to request funding from the scheme to purchase two defibrillators for the villages an Officer has been in contact to state it is unlikely the application will be successful. It was explained if the Parish Council was to arrange a fund-raising event such as a fete it could apply for funding to put this on, but it can not pay for a defibrillator directly as this does not fall within the application criteria. It was generally agreed that as B.I.D. is a local scheme that sets its own criteria which could always be amended to appeal against this decision. It was agreed when the Clerk contacts the organisation to find out would the scheme possibly fund a project to create a new footpath on a grass verge which would then link the two villages for pedestrian access.

It was agreed other defibrillator funding options should be investigated. The Clerk to write to all local businesses within the two villages to see if they may make a donation. It was stated the Fritton Poorlands may also be able to provide some funding but this would need to be discussed within their next meeting in April.

6. BROADS AUTHORITY/SOCIETY

Cllr Johnson reported she did not attend the last Broads Authority Meeting as it was to discuss the Glover Report which we have already covered, but is planning to attend the next meeting.

7. BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

There were matters to report.

8. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCIAL MATTERS

CQ Number	Detail	Amount
100645	Hillside Animal Sanctuary (section 137 donation)	£50.00
100646	St. Olaves Village Hall – November meeting hire	£27.00
DD	BT – Broadband (final bill)	£35.60
100647	K. Palmer- October Salary less tax 85.80	£343.71
100648	K. Palmer -November Salary less tax 86.00 (including £10 tele/broadband exps)	£353.51
100649	HMRC -Tax from K. Palmer October & November wage	£171.80
100650	St Edmunds PCC – Graveyard Maintenance	£330.00
100651	St Margarets PCC – Graveyard Maintenance	£165.00
	Total	£1476.62

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

9. PLANNING

The following application has been refused.

06/19/0228/F Landscape, New Road, Fritton Stationing of static caravan to be used as an Annexe

10. PRECEPT 2020/21

The Clerk had circulated a draft copy of the precept to all members prior to the meeting. It was agreed the £70 annual payment to GYBC to empty the dog bin must be included, and to include £300 to go towards purchasing a defibrillator as there will be no payment to the village halls for maintenance next year (this is undertaken once every two years).

	2019 - 2020			Forecast	2020 - 2021
	Budget	Actual Apr-Sept	Estimated Oct-Mar		Budget
	£	£	£	£	£
Parish Clerk's remuneration	4,997	2,577	2,062	5,154	5,307
Hire of village halls for meetings	162	81	81	162	162
Hire of office and electricity	175	0	175	175	175
Parish Council Insurance	330	328	0	328	350
Parish Clerk's expenses inc tele/broadband	150	14	0	14	120
Contribution to Village Halls (bi-annual payment)	300	300	0	300	300
Graveyard Maintenance Payments	495	0	495	495	495
Norfolk ALC & Broads Society Subscriptions	195	184	0	184	195
Training exps including mileage	75	0	0	0	50
Accounting & Audit fees	100	56	0	56	70
Blocka Run Grass Cutting	50	0	80	80	80
Donation Community Car Scheme	50	0	50	50	0
Village Maintenance- village signs & notice boards	50	148	0	148	150
Councillors' Expenses	25	0	0	0	0
Stationery /Advertisements	90	2	50	52	40
Postage	15	22	11	33	35
BT Broadband (changing to cont to clerks exp see above)	347	181	60	241	0
Contribution to purchase Defibrillator	0	0	0	0	300
Maintenance for SAM2 Speed sign	0	0	0	0	100
GYBC - Annual payment to empty dog bin -Fritton Woods	0	0	0	70	70
Sundry	150	0	0	0	50
	7,756	3,893	3,064	7,542	8,049
Council Tax Support Grant (less)	126				126
Concurrent functions Grant (less)	550				550
Total Precept Submitted	7,080				7,303

To submit the above precept to GYBC, Proposed Cllr Dunn, Seconded Cllr Bellaby. All In Favour.

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

-It was reported the posts on the grass verge outside Tiptree, New Rd, Fritton have been knocked down and need to be taken out and replaced. It was also stated there is still a great problem with vehicles travelling at speed along New Road. It was agreed for the Clerk to request a written explanation from the Highways Engineer detailing why speed humps can not be installed on the road. There is also a pot hole that needs filling on the Herringfleet Road as you travel out of St Olaves on the left hand side just past St Olaves Village Hall.

-It was agreed to find out from County Cllr Grant if he knows of any anything that can be done to improve the mobile phone/internet reception in both villages.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 30th January 2020 at Fritton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

With no further business the meeting was closed at 8.24pm