

# **Fritton with St Olaves Parish Council**

Chairman: Stannas Bellaby Vice Chair: Margaret Johnson

## **Annual Parish Council Meeting**

**held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at St Olaves Village Hall**

### **Present:**

Councillors Stannas Bellaby (Chair), Jill Rose, Margaret Johnson (Vice Chair), C. Julian, Peter Storey, Rowland Dunn, Judith Bosworth, Keith Leggett, Parish Clerk Kate Ruddock and twelve members of the public including Borough Cllr Cameron.

*The meeting commenced at 7.30pm*

### **PUBLIC SECTION**

The question was asked why has the Parish Council asked for the first SAM2 speed machine to be sited on New Road in Fritton? Fritton now has a second machine on the A143 near to the village hall, and a permanent speed warning machine near to Caldecott Hall.

The Chairman explained NCC agreed to fully fund the first machine which would be moved around all the agreed locations in both villages. The second machine was 50 % funded by NCC through the Parish Partnership Scheme. It was agreed this machine will be sited on the A143 on Fritton (near to the village hall), being moved every four weeks south facing then north facing alternatively. The Speed Watch Group in Fritton recently recorded in excess of 40 vehicles travelling at 40 mph on the bend, one vehicles was travelling at 66mph.

It was noted there had been problems over the last 18 months with the first machine as it had to be returned to Westcotec for repairs twice, and due to covid and the lockdowns had not been able to be moved at all.

It was reported by residents that St Olaves also has a great problem with vehicles travelling at speed on the A143, there had recently been a number of road accidents in the village. There are safety concerns for school children when they are brought back to the village on the school bus, because of the speeding issue in St Olaves.

After some discussion it was generally agreed more more locations are needed in St Olaves to site the SAM2. The Clerk will contact the Highways Engineer again to find out if a pole on the bus stop can be used.

The question was asked, can the Police become involved with this issue? Cllr Stephens reported as a member of the Fritton Speedwatch group, that yes they can. If a speedwatch group records 6 or more vehicles traveling at speed then they will deploy an officer with a speed camera to the village. A officer does come to Fritton, however it is only once a month at the most, and usually is at 10am which is not effective as there is not such a great problem with speeding at this time.

Cllr Julian reported a second issue in St Olaves. There are a great amount of vehicles that drive past the cycling group which have strong cannabis fumes coming form the cars. This is equally as big a problem as speeding due to safety issues.

*With no further business the public section was closed and the main meeting commenced at 7.55pm*

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

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Burton and Borough Cllr Myers. To accept the apologies proposed Cllr Johnson, Seconded Cllr Julian. All In Favour.

## 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

## 3. MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record proposed Cllr Storey, Seconded Cllr Leggett. All In Favour.

## 4. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

## 5. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Cheque Number	Detail	Amount
100701	K. Ruddock- June Salary £439.91, less tax £88.00, plus £10 monthly tele/broadband allowance.	£361.91
100702	Horizon Group – St Olaves Notice Board (vat 65.18)	£391.09
100703	K. Ruddock – refund for stationary (vat 4.83)	£32.00
100704	K. Ruddock - July Salary £439.91, less tax £88, plus £10 monthly tele/broadband allowance	£361.91
100705	HMRC -Tax from K. Ruddock – June & July wage	£176.00
100706	Westcotec – SAM2 speedsign (vat 560.00)	£3,360.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£4682.91</b>

To propose payment for the above sheet Cllr Bellaby, Seconded Cllr Stephens. All In Favour.

## 6. NCC HIGHWAY MATTERS

### St Olaves SAM2 & Speedwatch Group

After further discussion it was suggested if the residents of St Olaves can get a number of volunteers together they would be able to form their own Speedwatch Group. Cllr Stephens confirmed he will work with the residents to help get the group started.

It was agreed Councillors Stephens, Leggett and Bellaby will share the responsibility with the St Olaves residents to move the first SAM2 around all locations in the villages. Cllr Stephens and Leggett will create a schedule for the SAM2 containing all the locations, which will include New Road.

It was agreed the Clerk will contact NCC to find out if more locations can be agreed for St Olaves on the bus stops on the A143.

### Signage

Cllr Storey reported the passing bay signage has still not been installed by Highways and the 30mph sign that got knocked down at least 6 months ago has still not been replaced. Borough Cllr Camerson stated she will pass this information onto County Cllr Annison.

## **7. FRITTON DEFIBRILLATOR**

The Clerk reported there is currently £280 held in reserves, and £300 in this years precept, totally of £580 to help fund a second defibrillator that will be installed at an agreed location in Fritton.

The St Olaves defibrillator cost £1645 (excluding vat and shipping). It was agreed to ask Borough Cllrs Cameron and Myers to fund the remaining £1065 between them from this years Borough Cllr ward budget. The location for the Fritton defibrillator will be discussed during the next meeting.

## **8. FRITTON POST OFFICE NOTICE BOARD**

Clr Dunn reported the notice board located at the Fritton post office is in an extremely bad state or repair. It was agreed by all members to purchase a new notice board which the Post Master at the Post Office has agreed to put up. It was agreed to purchase a new notice board to approximately £71 excluding vat. Proposed Cllr Johnson, Seconded Cllr Stephens. All In Favour.

## **9. VILLAGE VOICE MAGAZINE**

It was agreed by all members to add Councillor email addresses or telephone numbers in the Village Voice so they can be contacted by Parishioners.

## **10. PLANNING**

06/21/0532/CU Upper Warren Lodge, Beccles Rd Fritton

Proposed conversion of garage to form annex for holiday let and 1.8m high fence to front  
It was agreed to submit no objections subject to neighbour's comments for the change of use of the garage to an annex. However, there are strong concerns over the access to the site which is off the A143.

There are strong concerns with visibility when exiting the site onto the main road, the visibility is very poor at this location.

There are also concerns that if the bank, (next to the entrance to the site) when turning off the main road is disturbed, there may be a great amount of soil distributed onto the road, which would be particularly dangerous during heavy rainfall.

### Planning Applications Approved:

BA/2020/0457/FUL Burwin, Prior, St Olaves

Remove collapsed timber & replace with steel and timber capped quayheading

06/21/0175/F Caldecott Hall, Fritton Conversion of store to office/reception

- It was reported there has been more fly tipping on Blocka Run and rubbish being discarded in a hedge at Fritton Church.
- It was agreed for the Clerk to ask Paul Sellick to attend a site meeting with Cllr Stephens to discuss options to install a footpath/trod to connect the two villages along the A143

## **11. TIME & DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm at Fritton Village Hall.

*With no further business the meeting was closed at 8.45pm*