

**FRITTON WITH ST OLAVES**  
**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**  
held on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.00pm**  
**at St Olaves Village Hall**

**In Attendance:**

Chairman Stannas Bellaby, Parish Councillors: Judith Bosworth, Margaret Johnson, Rowland Dunn, Catherine Richards, John Stephens, Peter Storey, Parish Clerk Kate Ruddock and nine members of the public including County Cllr Annison and Borough Cllr Myers.

**The meeting commenced at 7.00pm**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Julian and Burton.

**2. MINUTES OF THE 2022 PARISH MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record proposed Cllr Johnson, seconded Cllr Stephens. All in Favour.

**3. REPORT BY THE PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN**

Earlier this year there was the very sad news that long standing Parish Councillor, Jill Rose had passed away. I am pleased to report the councillor vacancy was filled during the January meeting when Cllr Richards was co-opted on the Parish Council.

During the past year the Parish Council has continued to work closely with County Cllr Annison and Borough Cllrs Adrian Myers and Tracie Cameron, thank you for all your help on various issues during the last year.

The Parish Council has continued to move forward with various projects.

A second defibrillator was ordered from Heart 2 Heart Norfolk which has been installed on the outside wall of the Decoy Barn Bed and Breakfast in Fritton.

County Councillor Annison used his Highways budget to fund (along with the Parish Partnership Scheme) the new trod which can be used by pedestrians to walk from one village tp the next. This work has now been completed along with the footpath improvement works in front of the village hall in Fritton.

Work to install the jubilee bench in St Olaves is ongoing. Cllr Johnson has contacted the Broads Authority numerous times and is still still waiting for permission to be granted to site the bench on a section of their land.

**4. REPORTS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS**

Reports were received from the following local groups and organisations please note the reports are appended to and do form part of the minutes:

- St Olaves Village Hall
- St Edmund's Church Fritton
- Fritton Poorlands Report
- Fritton Village Hall
- Herringfleet Poorland Trust

**St Olaves – Village Sign**

Mr Sewell confirmed the surplus funds from the purchase and installation of the St Olaves Village sign are being held in a separate bank account and can be accessed when needed by the St Olaves Village Hall Committee.

### St Olaves Poorands – Access to Reed beds

Cllr Johnson asked do the St Olaves Poorands have a map that show the Chairties designated area, and is the land registered with the Land Registry?

Ms Crisp reported the pathway that leads down to the reed beds is not owned by anyone, ownership of the land split, it is made even more complicated due to both GYBC and the Broad Authority both being planning authorities in this area of the village.

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

- Mr Youngs reported the water buffalo are now back on the Churches side of the Somerleyton estate. Following a previous incident there is concern that they may be able to roam over the public footpath, which could be a potential safety hazard to members of the public. It was agreed for the Clerk to contact the Estate Manager to obtain more information.

Borough Cllr Myers stated he will forward onto the Clerk legislation which owners have to follow that are responsible for keeping wild/farming animals. Cllr Storey added the farmers union NFU may also be able to provide some advise.

***With no further business the meeting closed was closed at 7.29pm***