

# **Fritton with St Olaves Parish Council**

Chairman: Stannas Bellaby Vice Chair: Catherine Richards

## **Parish Council Meeting**

**held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at Fritton Village Hall**

### **Present:**

Councillors Stannas Bellaby (Chair), Catherine Richards, Rowland Dunn, John Wadeson, Peter. Storey, Hayley Carruthers, Parish Clerk Kate Ruddock, and two members of the public including Borough Cllr Murray-Smith and County Cllr Annison

### ***The meeting commenced at 7.30pm***

#### **PUBLIC SECTION**

Borough Cllr Murray-Smith reported he had contacted Great Yarmouth Services and the staffing issues have now been resolved, Priory Close should now have been swept by the mechanical road sweeper.

Having attended a meeting at the Fritton Owl Sanctuary and consulting the Licensing Dept at GYBC, it now looks as though through fundraising, they now have sufficient funds in place and are working towards becoming compliant.

County Cllr Annison reported the gullies that NCC installed by the road near the pig farm on the A143 have not completely resolved the problem with flooding but it has helped.

The Environment Agency attended a meeting with both land owners to discuss flooding coming from the pig farm that is effecting a neighbouring property.

Concerning road safety it has been confirmed that the NCC Safety Team will be undertaking a speed survey on the A143 running from Burtons Farm in Bradwell through to Fritton. Information from the survey will be used to look at the possibility of reducing the speed limit on this stretch of road which may see it being reduced from 60mph to 50mph. If the speed reduction is approved this will be placed on a road safety scheme programme in 2024/25.

Cllr Richards reported contractors had started to clear a section of vegetation at the end of New Road next to the gateway end of Beevors Farm. Is it possible to find out who had undertaken this work to find out if it is going to be completed, as how it has been left is dangerous at the moment.

***With no further business the public section was closed and the main meeting commenced at 7.47pm***

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

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Stephens, Burton, Betts and Barnes and Borough Cllr Carpenter. To accept the apologies proposed Cllr Bellaby, seconded Cllr Richards. All in Favour.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **3. MINUTES**

Minutes from the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record proposed Cllr Stannas, seconded Cllr Carruthers. All in Favour.

#### **4. MATTERS ARISING**

The Clerk reported she had not received any reply from Newcombe Estates after writing to them about inform them of the motorbike being ridden in Waveney Forest.

#### **5. CENTRE 81**

The Clerk reported she had received a donation request from Centre 81. After discussion it was agreed for the Clerk to contact the charity to find out how many people they support in the two villages and to defer this item until the next meeting.

#### **6. NCC HIGHWAY MATTERS**

The Clerk reported she had sent an email to NCC Highways from Cllr Stephens voicing disappointment at the recent double white line extension work carried out on the A143 in Fritton.

Cllr Stephens voiced concern that rather than extending the existing double white lines on the A143, most of the funds seem to have been spent on refreshing the existing lines that were already in place.

County Cllr Annison added the double white lines had been extended as far as had been approved during the programmed works.

It was agreed by most members that the paint now being used for road markings seems to be of a poorer quality than what had been used some time ago, the road markings fade much quicker.

The Chairman reported NCC Highways had made a very good job resurfacing the road at the A143/Herringfleet Road junction in St Olaves.

It was reported there is another pot hole in need of being repaired on the A143 in Fritton near to the Caldecott Hall entrance.

#### **7. FRITTON & ST OLAVES FLOODING**

The Clerk reported she had been contacted by the property owner of Low Farm Cottage in Fritton had had reported a great amount of flooding at their property after recent heavy rainfall. The matter had been passed onto GYBC Environmental Dept, two officers had since made contact with the residents and visited the site. However there has not been any further update from the resident since the site meeting.

#### **8. PRIORY ROAD MAINTENANCE**

The Clerk reported Cllr Betts had asked for item to be added to the agenda however as Cllr Betts was not present at the meeting it was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.

#### **9. ADMINISTRATION & FINANCIAL MATTERS**

	Detail	Amount
BACS	K. Ruddock- December wage 518.16 less tax £103.60 plus £10 monthly tele/broadband allowance	£424.56
	K. Ruddock – Refund stationary	£30.75
BACS	K. Ruddock - January wage 518.6 less tax £130.60, plus £10 monthly tele/broadband allowance	£424.56
BACS	HMRC tax from K. Ruddock December £103.60 & January wage 103.60	£207.20

BACS	St Olaves Village Hall- payment for September 2023 meeting	£30.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,117.07</b>

Bank Balance after the September payments:

Community Account £ 25.00  
 Business Account £12,346.48  
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 £12,371.48

To propose payment for the above sheet Cllr Bellaby, seconded Cllr Richards. All in Favour.

Mr Dennis Cooper was confirmed as Internal Auditor for the 2023/24 audit.  
 The Chairman reported Jamie Forrester had cleared a dangerous tree on land near to Blocka Run which is owned by the Parish Council, it is expected an invoice for the works will follow in due course.

Cllr Storey confirmed Newcombe Estates had felled one dangerous tree and other are going to be inspected on New Road next to Waveney Forest.

**10. PLANNING**

Broads Authority – Tree Preservation Order

Description: The Great Yarmouth Borough Tree Preservation Order

No. 9 1985 Address: The Priory, Beccles Road, St Olaves

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The Broads Authority has recently completed a re-survey of its Tree Preservation Orders. This is to ensure that the Tree Preservation Orders meet the most upto-date criteria and comply with the latest legislation.

As part of this process, Tree Preservation Order No. 9 1985 and BA/2009/0075/TPO have been revoked as they were replaced by Tree Preservation Order BA/2016/0002/TPO.

The copies of Tree Preservation Order No. 9 1985 and BA/2009/0075/TPO and their correspondence has been withdrawn from public inspection as it is no longer relevant. Please note that an application will still need to be made to the Broads Authority before work to the trees can be carried out.

Notification of Planning Application Appeal:

APP/U2615/W/23/3330116, Forestry Cottage, New Road, Fritton app 06/23/0438/O

Comments submitted to GYBC prior to the meeting

06/23/0656/HH Pine View, Beccles Road, Fritton Dropped kerb to allow vehicle access to new parking on front garden

Fritton with St Olaves Parish Council have agreed to submit no objections subject to neighbours' comments for the above application with the following comment.

There is concern that if parking is sited in front of the house as described it could exacerbate existing traffic and footway issues. It looks as though Pine View has space at the side of the house which if used would enable a vehicle to turn, this would then prevent vehicles from having to reverse on or off the A143 to park, which during busy periods could cause traffic issues.

## **11. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Clerk reported the public consultation is still running and surveys can still be completed. The Steering Group will be meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> February to go through all comments and feedback.

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

- The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 7.30pm at St Olaves Village Hall.
- The Parish Council meeting will follow directly after the Annual Parish Meeting has finished at approximately 8.00pm.
- The Annual Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm at Fritton Village Hall.

*With no further business the meeting was closed at 8.28pm*