

## **FILBY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Thursday 8 March, 2018, at 7.00 pm. in the Clubroom

**Present:** Mr. A. Thompson, Mr. P. Hudson, Mrs. L. Elms, Mr. J. Baldry, Mr. H. Thirtle (NCC/GYBC), M/s E. Rothney (NWT), Mr. D. Balls (Clerk), and 22 Members of the Public.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Mr. P. Chapman, Mr. D. Thompson, Mr. D. Shaw, PC Gary May, and Mr. P. Bonham (NSSA)

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – There were no declarations of interest.

**3. POLICE REPORT** – Received Police report from PC Gary May which included 27 reported incidents and 16 recorded crimes.

**4. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC TIME** - *The meeting was adjourned for Public Time from 7.02 pm. to 7.06 pm.*

Q. Trees are blocking the view of the bus stop sign on the Main Road at King's Head end.

A. The Clerk will investigate and report to owner of the trees.

Q. Bearing in mind that the Church car park is being used for unsavory activities including sexual behavior and drug talking, can the Parish Council write to the Church asking them to erect gates at entrance to the car park which must only be unlocked and locked for services at the Church

A. The Clerk will write to the PCC.

**5. SAILING BASE UPDATE** – Mr. Adrian Thompson reported that a new Parish Staithe list has now been updated and forwarded to NSSA for issuing keys (where necessary), and forms for signing during weekend of 14/15 April.

**6. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS, 2017/2018** – It was proposed by Mr. P. Hudson, seconded by Mr. J. Baldry and unanimously agreed that these minutes be signed.

### **7. PROGRESS REPORTS FROM THE MINUTES**

(a) The Highways Department reported on the following issues:

(i) Reflector posts have been installed in verge adjacent to pond on Main Road. The Clerk was requested to ask for more on eastern end of pond.

(ii) Main Road footpath from shop to Thrigby Road junction is currently being looked at for resurfacing in near future

(b) Mr. Adrian Thompson updated the Council on "Speedwatch" progress and results.

### **8. CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLICATIONS FOR INFORMATION/READING**

#### **Correspondence**

(a) Eilish Rothney (NWT) reported on latest activities in the parish which included: scrub management, reed-bed management, meadow management, biodiversity management, site management, mud pumping project, wetland bird counts, water plants, and volunteer involvement.

(b) GDPR – New Data Protection Regulations Act. The Clerk reported that the new Act comes into force in May this year, and with this in mind he will be attending a tutorial at Costessey later this month which will enable the Council to have the new Act in place by the required date in May.

#### **Publications for Reading/Information**

(a) Clerk and Councils Direct

(b) Police Neighbourhood Policing update

### **9. PLANNING MATTERS**

#### **(a) Notices of Decisions:**

(i) 06/17/0727/F – proposed erection of agricultural building on land off Market Lane – approved.

(ii) 06/17/0747/F – renewal of planning permission for stabling and barn on Thrigby Road allotments – approved.

(iii) 06/17/0721/LB – replacement of existing sash windows at "Chestnut House", Main Road – approved.

(iv) 06/17/0786/O – proposed single dwelling house at "The Orangery", Main Road – approved.

(v) BA/2018/0408/HOUSEH – art and craft workshop at "Pennybrook House", Thrigby Road – approved.

#### **(b) New Applications:**

**Adjournment for Public Time was observed from 7.35 pm. to 8.05 pm. The observations made by members of the public present are all included in the objections below made by the Parish Council.**

(i) 06/18/0069/F – proposed erection of 4 new dwellings and refurbishment of existing semi-detached dwelling for affordable housing for rent at 1, Ormesby Lane – proposed by Mrs. L. Elms, seconded by Mr. J. Baldry and unanimously agreed to "object" to this proposal on the following grounds:

- This is seen as "overdevelopment" in the extreme and whilst this plot of land is available for residential use it can only realistically accommodate one dwelling. More traffic use at this location would also be dangerous to children who use this road for accessing busses on the Main Road where there is no approach footpath here at present.
- Ormesby Lane is sub-standard both in width and construction to cater for more dwellings using this busy class 3 road where visibility on exiting onto the Main Road (A1064) is appalling to the east of the junction.

- The 8 car parking spaces shown are inadequate to cater for 5 dwellings especially as many homes have 3 parking vehicles these days.
- The parish of Filby has already accommodated over the allocated number in the past two years, and more development here is unacceptable.
- Four dwellings sited here would create a situation of overlooking and blocking light into number 2 Ormesby Lane, it would also affect all of the other 12 dwellings adjacent to this site which is utterly unacceptable to the existing householders.
- The existing sewer in Ormesby Lane is inadequate to cater for more dwellings here. The residents are already experiencing overflowing flooding situations within their houses from the existing sewer system and connections from their properties which is an extreme health hazard to all concerned.
- It must be pointed out that a footpath is shown on the northern side of Green Lane where there is only grass verge.

The Chairman reported that the recent planning application for 3 more dwellings served off York Villa Close has been granted planning permission. The Parish Council is awaiting the “approval notice”

## **10. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OFFICERS AND OTHER MEMBERS**

### **(a) Allotments**

(i) Mr. Thompson reported that a mower has been purchased by the Parish Council for mowing the orchard and Cottage Garden areas off Thrigby Road. He also reported that the loose gate post at entrance off Thrigby Road has been re-installed and secured.

(b) **Drainage** – Mr. Thompson reported that the ditch adjacent to The Pound has been cleared and is now flowing well.

(c) **Footpaths** - Nothing to report.

(d) **Highways** – Mr. Thompson reported that the Filby in Bloom Group have trimmed back hedges and overhanging tree limbs on Church Lane.

(e) **Claypits Car Park** – Mr. Thompson reported that the height barrier to Claypits car park has been repaired by Alma Ironcraft.

## **11. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES**

(a) **PFC** – Mr. Adrian Thompson reported on the following: re-thatching of Clubroom, redecorating new hall, and new village mural on new hall.

(b) **GYBC/NCC** – Report received from Councillor Mr. Haydn Thirtle which included: BA revisions at Acle Bridge, BA Annual Governance Review, BA Annual Parish meeting, James Paget recent bed demand, GYBC Christmas Festival £148,000 cost, Second River Crossing update, and NCC budget for coming year.

(c) **Filby School** – The Chairman reported that the school numbers are up and currently there are 77 children attending the school. He also reported that the Nursery is doing well.

(d) **BA/The Staithe/Boats** – Nothing more to report

## **12. FINANCIAL REPORT & APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS** - For authorisation, if agreed

### **Bank Balance on 8.03.2018**

PC Current a/c

£7,447.36

### **Bills for Payment**

Clerk's salary/stamps (January) paid

£141.65

PAYE (Clerk) paid

£ 32.60

Clerk's salary/stamps (February) paid

£132.13

PAYE (clerk)

£ 32.60

Ormesby Garden Machinery (new mower)

£407.50

Alma Ironcraft (Claypits height barrier)

£ 86.40

The Chairman reported that the “go ahead” has been given to Colin Smith to refresh the lettering on the war memorial at the Church.

It was proposed by Mr. P. Hudson, seconded by Mrs. L. Elms that the above accounts be paid.

## **13. A.O.B.** There was no other business to discuss

*The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.21 pm.*