

FILBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Monday 6 August, 2018, at 7.00 pm. in the Clubroom

Present: Mr. A. Thompson, Mr. P. Hudson, Mr. D. Shaw, Mr. J. Baldry, Mr. H. Thirtle (NCC/GYBC/BA), D. Balls (Clerk), and 9 Members of the Public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Mr. D. Thompson, Mrs. L. Elms, Mr. P. Chapman, Eilish Rothney (NWT), and PC Gary May,

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

3. POLICE REPORT – Inspector Will Drummond reports that they are working on a new engagement strategy for the whole of the district which will see more opportunities for officers to be visible within local communities.

4. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC TIME - *The meeting was adjourned for Public Time from 7.05 pm. to 7.09 pm.*

There were no questions from members of public.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS, 2018 – It was proposed by Mr. P. Hudson, seconded by Mr. D. Shaw and unanimously agreed that these minutes be signed.

6. PROGRESS REPORTS FROM THE MINUTES

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

(i) Main Road footpath re-surfacing has now been extended to the Thrigby Road junction.

(b) The Chairman reported that the “Speedwatch” team has had the offer of a mobile safety camera via the Parish Partnership Scheme. The cost of the camera is approximately £6,000. Following a show of hands vote it was generally agreed that this extra expense was not worth it bearing in mind that there are already 4 illuminated 30 mph signs in place on the Main Road.

(c) Although Mr. Thirtle had no good news to report on mobile phone coverage in the parish he did point out that NCC are looking at this issue as a “high priority” matter.

(d) Following a question about times of usage at the sailing base, Mr. Thompson pointed out that this will be debated at the next annual meeting with the Sailing Base early next year.

7. CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLICATIONS FOR INFORMATION/READING

Correspondence

(a) Anglian Water reported that the CCTV survey along Thrigby Road has been delayed, however it should be completed by the end of July this year and they will provide a further update by 10 August.

Publications for Reading/Information

(a) Clerk and Councils Direct

(b) Police Neighbourhood Policing update

8. PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Notices of Decisions:

(i) 06/18/0069/F – construction of 2 dwellings and access at 1, Ormesby Lane for Orwell Housing Association - approved

(b) New Applications:

(i) 06/18/0408/F – erection of 3 dwellings at Ormesby Lane for Mr. A. Green – proposed by M. J. Baldry seconded by Mr. D. Shaw and unanimously agreed to offer “no objections” to this proposal.

(ii) 06/18/0389/F – removal of condition 2 from planning permissions 06/02/0938 & 0939/F to allow permanent residential accommodation at Filby Hall for Mr. C. Rapley – proposed by Mr. P. Hudson, seconded by Mr. J. Baldry and unanimously agreed to offer “no objections” to this proposal.

9. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL OFFICERS AND OTHER MEMBERS

(a) Allotments

(i) Mr. Baldry reported that whilst the orchard is now looking very good, there is a problem where tape has been placed on side of orchard to protect a “wildlife area” which is now generating blown seeds onto nearby garden plots. Mr. Thompson will ask Eilish Rothney if this area can be located nearer the cottage garden area.

(b) **Drainage** - Nothing to report.

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

(d) **Highways** – Nothing to report.

(e) **Claypits Car Park** – Nothing to report.

10. REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

(a) **PFC** – Mr. Thompson reported that the Annual Fete is again being held on August Bank Holiday Monday.

(b) **GYBC/NCC** – Mr. Haydn Thirtle reported on the following:

- GYBC new housing association company is “Equinox”
- NCC new budget which will involve cuts to vital services.
- Mr. Thirtle explained that he is now the BA Chairman and reported on the work which is to be undertaken during the next financial year.

- Meeting with **Network Rail** regarding swing bridges restoration/repair.
- BA new development at Acle Bridge.

(c) **Filby School** – The Chairman reported that the school numbers are up mainly due to local school closures. He also reported that the school received a £100 voucher for being voted “Best in Bloom” this year.

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

11. FINANCIAL REPORT & APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS - For authorisation, if agreed

Bank Balance on 6.08.2018

PC Current a/c £11,439.70

Bills for Payment

Clerk’s salary/stamps (June) paid	£188.34
PAYE (Clerk) paid	£ 35.97
Clerk’s salary/stamps (July) paid	£143.87
PAYE (clerk) paid	£ 35.97
Environment Agency (drainage rent)	£ 22.09
NALC – Annual Subs. – paid	£174.14
Norfolk Training & Support – annual subs. - paid	£ 88.00
Colin Smith – re-lettering War Memorial – paid	£400.00

It was proposed by Mr. P. Hudson, seconded by Mr. J. Baldry that the above accounts be paid.

12. A.O.B.

(a) Question asked if we pay only for number of grass cut at the playing field and Church. The Chairman suggested that we wait until the end of the season before approaching contractors.

(b) Mr. Hudson reported that some boards on the board walk are now showing signs of rotting and asked if Mr. Thirle could take this matter up with the BA officers responsible.

(c) The Chairman reported that a new monthly “Over 50’s Lunch Club” is starting at the King’s Head every Tuesday lunchtime.

(d) The Chairman reported that a new publication involving the downgrading of development numbers in secondary and tertiary villages is due out shortly.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.21 pm.