

## **FILBY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 5 December, 2018, at 7.00 pm. in the Clubroom

**Present:** Mr. A. Thompson, Mr. D. Shaw, Mr. J. Baldry, Mr. P. Chapman, Mr. H. Thirtle (NCC/GYBC/BA), D. Balls (Clerk), and 35 Members of the Public.

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

**2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – Mr. P. Chapman item 9(b)(i).

**3. POLICE REPORT** – Norfolk Police are urging residents to be vigilant against scammers posing as police officers in the area as there have been reports of fraud on victim's bank accounts. Notices have been posted on notice boards outside the shop and village hall

**4. ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC TIME** - *The meeting was adjourned for Public Time from 7.03 pm. to 7.38 pm.*

The issues discussed and debated were all complaints and statements regarding the application on Pound Lane by Mr. M. Chapman for 16 new dwellings. These issues were debated and included under item 9(b)(i) in the Parish Council's response to GYBC outlining our objections.

**5. SAILING BASE UPDATE** – Nothing to report until next meeting in March

**6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS, 2018** – It was proposed by Mr. J. Baldry, seconded by Mr. D. Shaw and unanimously agreed that these minutes be signed.

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

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

- (i) Jetting and cleaning out offlets on main road from Filby Bridge to playing field has been reported to highways.
- (b) The Chairman reported that the "Speedwatch" team have been going successfully now for 12 months and reported average speeds are still around the 39.6 mph. He also reported that the team is still looking for new extra help, if you are interested please call at the post office
- (c) Eilish Rothney reports that the boardwalk on south side of Filby Bridge was built using grant aid money applied for by the Parish Council. The inspection and maintenance is therefore the responsibility of the Parish Council
- (d) Mr. P. Chapman reported that he is still waiting for contractor to provide him with costs relating to installation of new gates to Church car park.

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

#### **Correspondence**

- (a) Anglian Water reported that the CCTV survey along Thrigby Road has now finally been carried out and no faults were found. They also report that the line has been jetted. The Clerk explained that this is not what he asked for some six months ago when it was reported that the sewer system in Thrigby Road is overloaded in heavy rain and an investigation is needed to see if the overload is caused by extra discharge from the Fleggburdgh and Rollesby sewers which connect to system in Thrigby Road. The Clerk will write again.
- (b) Letter received from Norfolk County Farms explaining that rent on the Filby holding shall remain at the current passing rent and that the next review will be effective as from 11 October, 2021
- (c) Proposed by Mr. P. Chapman, seconded by Mr. D. Shaw and agreed Garden Guardian's grass cut quote for 2019 be accepted.

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

- (a) Clerk and Councils Direct
- (b) Police Neighbourhood Policing update

### **9. PLANNING MATTERS**

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

- (i) 06/18/0512/F – conversion of agricultural building to dwelling at Black Barn Lane, Market Road - approved
- (ii) 06/18/0389/F – removal of condition to allow permanent accommodation at Filby Hall Cottages, Main Road - approved
- (iii) BA/2018/HOUSEH – removal of conservatory and replace with games room at Dawn-Dew, Main Road - approved
- (iv) 06/18/0408/F – erection of 3 dwellings, garaging & accesses at Green Lane for Mr. A. Green - approved
- (v) 06/17/0387/F – demolition of cattle building and erection of 3 poultry buildings, manager's dwelling and new access road at Manor Farm - approved

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

- (i) 06/18/0631/F – proposed erection of 16 dwellings including 3 affordable units, parking, garaging and footpath to Main Road on land west of Pound Lane for Mr. M. Chapman – proposed by Mr. A. Thompson, seconded by Mr. D. Shaw and unanimously agreed to "object" to this proposal on the following grounds:
  - Pound Lane which is sub-standard in width and construction has been used as a "Rat-Run" for many years now and this proposed development will only make matters worse for local residents when attempting to exit and enter their properties on Pound Lane.
  - When the Acle Straight is closed the main A1064 road is extremely busy and slowing, turning, stopping traffic movements created by this development would be dangerous and detrimental to the free flow of other road users especially at Pound Lane's

junction with the main road where visibility is severely restricted in both directions. We are aware that the main A1064 has a 30 mph speed limit but the police have informed the Parish Council that when carrying out monthly “speed checks” the average speed of motorists through the village is 39.2 mph. which does not help matters when considering an application of this type.

- The sewerage system in the village is already overloaded and the construction of more services here would create more overloading of the system.
- The site of this proposal is outside the Village Development Area and as the parish of Filby has already in the last 4 years accommodated more than the 5% core strategy target allowed, then it is unacceptable to permit more residential development within this parish which would certainly destroy the valued character of this well kept and well liked community.
- There is a lack of amenities in Filby which will overload local doctors’ surgeries and the local school which is already full to capacity

(ii) 06/18/0630 – siting of caravan in rear garden of 6, Ormesby Lane for Mr. P. Sharp – proposed by Mr. J. Baldry, seconded by Mr. P. Chapman and unanimously agreed to offer “no objections” to this proposal.

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

- (a) **Allotments** – Nothing to report  
(b) **Drainage** - Nothing to report.  
(c) **Footpaths** - Nothing to report.  
(d) **Highways** – Nothing to report.  
(e) **Claypits Car Park** – Nothing to report.

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

(a) **PFC** – Mr. Thompson reported that the “Firework Evening” was very well attended by over 3000 people and the profit made was in the region of £7,000

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

- Yarmouth Waterways refurbishment has started in readiness for next summer season.
- A bid to refurbish the “Winter Gardens” building on Yarmouth seafront was unsuccessful.
- GYBC are to build a new housing estate in Bradwell.
- The consultation period regarding the Third River Crossing has been extended.
- Broads Authority has increased its river tolls for next year.

(c) **Filby School** – The Chairman reported that the school numbers continue to rise. He also reported that a “Ceilidh” has been booked for 12 January, 2019 in the village hall, and that another Children’s Christmas Party has been organized for 9 December also in the village hall

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

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

### **Bank Balance on 5.12.2018**

PC Current a/c £11,562.56

### **Bills for Payment**

Clerk’s salary/stamps – September paid	£188.34
PAYE (Clerk) paid	£ 35.97
Clerk’s salary/stamps –October paid	£143.87
PAYE (clerk) paid	£ 35.97
Clerk’s salary/stamps – November paid	£145.03
PAYE (clerk)	£ 35.97
NCC – allotment rent – paid	£800.00
Maple Tree Services – Churchyard - paid	£1,700.00
Adrian Thompson – Remembrance wreath	£ 35.00
Garden Guardian – playing field grass	£2,169.60

Received since last meeting £949.82

EPN (car park transformer) £180.45

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

## **13. 2019/2020 PARISH PRECEPT**

The Parish Council considered the Draft prepared by the Clerk which anticipated gross expenditure of £9,648 (net £9,140 after taking into account of potential income).

It was proposed by Mr. J. Baldry, seconded by Mr. D. Shaw and unanimously agreed to set a precept figure of £9,100, this represents an increase of £200 on last year’s figure to accommodate the increase in the new General Data Regulations Act’s administration costs.

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

*The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.26 pm.*

