

SOUTH FERRIBY PARISH COUNCIL

Unapproved Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15th January 2007 at 7.30pm
in the Village Hall

Present

Ms Sara Haddon (chair), Mr Alan Fisher, Mrs Julia Foster, Mr Roy Holloway, Mr Vic Leaning, Mrs Vanessa Miall, Cllr John Berry (part), Cllr Dick Long (part), Pc Steve Wash (part), PCSO Pete Hobson and one member of the public

Apologies

Mrs Cathy Logan, Mr Derek Waterhouse, Cllr Nigel Sherwood

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on 4th December, 2006 were then agreed and signed as a true copy. Prop Cllr Leaning, 2nd Cllr Fisher

Matters Arising

Co-option of New Councillor

Following his application and there being no other applications, Mr David Mouncey of Halfway House, Sluice Road, South Ferriby, DN18 6JE was duly co-opted onto the Parish Council. Proposed Cllr Holloway, 2nd Cllr Fisher. All other Councillors in agreement. Clerk to inform relevant bodies.

ACTION: AS

Beaulah Fields

Cllr Leaning advised that works to the gate are now completed. Cllr Holloway stated that the patching etc. that he had volunteered to do should be completed before the next meeting – weather permitting.

ACTION: RH

Declaration of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests

No interests or changes were declared.

Playing Field / Tennis Courts

The Parish Councillors discussed the proposed lease of the playing field that had been received from Mark Hudson and distributed prior to the meeting. Following much discussion, the Clerk was asked to contact Mr Hudson stating that the Council would like to proceed with the lease in principle, subject to contract and without prejudice, though the timeframe suggested would not be sufficient and should be extended. It was agreed to Agenda this item for next month when further discussion could take place. Items for consideration and decision include:

1. Playing Field to be set up as a P.F.A. – a body independent of the Parish Council. Tennis Courts to be added to Playground Charity?
2. Legal costs – should be set at maximum of £240 prior to signing?
3. Detailed appraisal of Playing Field needs to be undertaken.
4. Comparison with Old Lease. Clerk to bring to next meeting.
5. Parking issues. Do the Parish Council want access for cars? Bikes?
6. Changing Rooms. Do the Parish Council want provision to build changing rooms should they be required?
7. Eastern Entrance. Clarification needed as walkway would need to be across private land. Issues when canteen site is developed.

Vicky Turner, Playground Development Officer, will be attending next months meeting to assist further.

ACTION: AS

Discussion followed regarding the benefits/problems of taking over the tennis courts. The Clerk read out the results of the survey with all but one of those surveyed saying they would like a court to remain in the village. Opinion was spread equally between 5-a-side, basketball and skateboarding. Cllr Berry advised the group that insurance and upkeep of a skateboard park was extremely high and after discussion the Parish Council agreed this would not be viable and for it to be removed from the list of options. Multipurpose courts were agreed to be ideal and Clerk to cost.

ACTION: AS

Cllr Haddon explained that there are three possible outcomes for the land the tennis courts are on. These are:

1. Parish Council take over tennis courts on long-term lease and look for funding to renovate them.
2. Cemex renovate them giving the village use though they would not be able to apply for external funding – inc. Rugby Benevolent Fund.
3. Situation left as it is at present with possibility of land being sold for development in the future.

It was agreed for Cllr Haddon to approach Cemex and see if they would be prepared to renovate the courts themselves and agenda for next meeting.

ACTION: SH

PC Wash and PCSO Hobson joined the meeting.

Highways

The Clerk updated the Council on highway issues. Cllr Fisher expressed concern regarding the state of Ferriby Hill and that it appears to be deteriorating. Discussion followed and it was suggested that Cllr Haddon contact Geoff Popple, Head of Highways, to inform him of ongoing problems and concerns.

ACTION: SH

Cllr Berry also suggested that a strongly worded letter be sent to him to be forwarded to the relevant person.

ACTION: AS

The Clerk read a response from the Council regarding the possibility of signage to the village hall from the main road. This application has been turned down and the Village Hall Committee are to be asked to provide more prominent signage outside the hall.

Cllr Fisher asked the Clerk to contact the Council regarding streetlight number 5 on Low Street which is not working.

ACTION: AS

The agenda was altered to allow PC Wash and the PCSO and also Cllrs Berry and Long to speak and then leave to attend another meeting.

Homelink

Cllr Berry addressed the Parish Council and described a new service available. Should anyone require access to council services and are unable to attend Local Link Offices, they are now able to contact Homelink and request a home visit. Advice and information can be given in a person's own home on all aspects of Council services. Cllr Berry handed out information cards to the group and it was agreed to include details in the next newsletter and to try and make villagers aware of the service.

Cllrs Berry and Long left the meeting.

Police Issues

PC Wash introduced himself and the group then covered the concerns that have arisen since the Neighbourhood re-shuffle. PC Wash agreed to email crime details through to the clerk detailing calls to the police in the previous month and said that this should not prove difficult to supply on a monthly basis. Clerk to chase. **ACTION: AS**

PC Wash explained that the area he covers is large and that South Ferriby is a low crime area but that he is always contactable by email to discuss any issues. He then distributed his contact details. PC Wash also agreed to contact Gavin at the Nelthorpe Arms to discuss arrangements on Youth Nights and Clerk to forward his contact details. **ACTION: AS**

PC Wash and PCSO Hobson left the meeting and the Council returned to the agenda.

Footpaths

Cllr Foster informed the Council that she had been contacted by a member of the public regarding the footpath along Sluice Road between Old Warp Lane and Low Street. It was agreed for the Clerk to contact the Council and ask that this be cut back to allow more than single track walking. Ferriby Hill is also becoming overgrown. **ACTION: AS**

Cllrs Foster and Leaning are to look at a local map detailing 'walking' paths and bring details to next months meeting.

Website

Cllr Haddon informed the group that the Awards for All grant is now all accounted for and that the End of Grant Monitoring Form will be submitted shortly. **ACTION: SH**

Broadband

To be added to March Agenda and Cllr Haddon will contact BT in the meantime to get an update. **ACTION: SH**

Newsletter

Clerk to write and bring to next meeting. **ACTION: AS**

Floodplan

To be discussed further at next months meeting. Cllrs Haddon and Holloway to provide update. **ACTION: SH/RH**

Payphone

Cllr Haddon explained that she has been in discussion with English Heritage and is currently waiting for a reply. Cllr Haddon to chase and update the Council at next meeting. **ACTION: SH**

Councillors Pack

Cllr Holloway suggested that by joining ERNLCCA, packs such as these would be available ready written. It was agreed to agenda this for next month for this to be voted on. The Clerk also asked that the Parish Council join the Society of Local Council Clerks as this would give access to legal information, discussion groups and a monthly magazine to assist in her work. This was proposed by Cllr Holloway and seconded by Cllr Miall with all being in agreement. Clerk to arrange. **ACTION: AS**

Members of Public Time

No issues.

Accounts

The following cheques had been issued as agreed at last months meeting:

Current Account:

Cllr Leaning (for Christmas Gifts for local farmers) £61.13 Cheque 300040
Gavin Richards (donation to Christmas Tree) £50.00 Cheque 300041

The following accounts were presented for payment: -

Current Account

Clerks Salary and Expenses - £242.06 Cheque 300042

Website Account

Pink Cactus - £365.00 Cheque 400009

Current Account	£106.72	Savings Account	£5,847.86
Playground Account	£0	Website Account	£ 903.03

The Clerk has examined the accounts and found the Parish Council to be working in line with budget.

Planning

No new planning applications have been received. Cllr Leaning informed the group that Pinewood Lodge is to be adapted to three dwellings in line with current planning approval.

Any Other Business

There was discussion regarding waste along the slip road to the Humber Bridge as well as along the A1077 to Barton. Mr Dave Mouncey suggested writing a letter to the Environmental Agency at Lincoln as they licence operatives locally and Mr Mouncey to liase with Clerk to enable this.

ACTION: AS

For circulation and information:

Invitation to Chair by Barton Town Council to see 'Barnum' – passed to Cllr Logan
ERNLLCA, Training Workshop details – Clerk to attend
NLC, Rights of Way Improvement Plan – copy to Cllr Holloway
NLC, Adopt a Bus Stop request – not of interest to South Ferriby
HWRCC – Re Parish Plan – invite to March Meeting

ACTION: AS

CE Electric Info

NLC, Core Strategy

Countryside Alliance Info

Glasdon Sales Literature

Cottage Gardens, re grass cutting – ask for quote

ACTION: AS

NLC Rates Literature

Barton Police Authority Neighbourhood Panel

HWRCC, Community Transport, Donation request – check previous donation

ACTION: AS

Wildlife Partnership Literature – passed to Cllr Haddon

NLC, Town & Parish Council Liaison Meeting

Local Network Fund, re funding – on file with application form

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 19th February, 2007 in the Village Hall