

FREISTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE DANNY FLEAR COMMUNITY CENTRE ON Thursday 21st March 2024, at 7:30pm Minutes taken by The Clerk: Mrs Val Austin

(These minutes will be checked at the next meeting before the council amends/approves them as a correct record)

PRESENT

Councillors: Cllr Nigel Marshall (Chair), Cllr Bridgett Posey (Vice Chair), Cllr Peter Bedford, Cllr Amy Marshall, Cllr Judith Godwin, Cllr Shaun Pearson, Cllr Simon Pearson, Cllr Tony Wheeler and The Clerk Val Austin.

The meeting was called to order at 19:23pm

- 1. Chairman to open the meeting:** Hello & Welcome to you all
- 2. Apologises:** To receive and accept apologies where a valid reason for the absence has been given to the clerk prior to the meeting.
 - Cllr Roy Pearson – Due to illness.
- 3. Public Forum:** No members of the public were present
- 4. Police Matters:** Stats and incidents are available to view on the police website. Local Crime information website www.streetcheck.co.uk. Figures for January 2024.
 - Shore Road – PE22 ONA - Criminal damage and arson - On or near Shore Road - Investigation complete; no suspect identified
 - Church Road – PE22 ONX - Other theft - On or near Sports/recreation Area – Under Investigation
 - Acorn Close – PE22 OPN - Violence and sexual offences - On or near Homers Lane - Under investigation
- 5. Minutes:** To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 15th February 2024. To resolve as a correct record and to authorise the Chairman to sign the official minutes
 - All councillors resolved for the chairman Cllr Nigel Marshall to sign the minutes.
- 6. Declarations of interest (if any):** To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members’ Register of Interests
 - None received.
- 7. Planning update:** Town and Country Planning Act 1990 - To consider and make observations on all planning applications received and to note planning approvals, refusals, enforcement complaints and appeal decisions advised by Boston Borough Council. –
B/24/0067 – We’ll Meet Again – No Objections
B/24/0084 – Homers Lane – No Objections
B/24/0095 – Hardy’s Farm – Councillors comments – The build should be sympathetic to the area with red brick and roof tiles should be slate.

8. Updates /Notes / Discuss and resolve the following items

8.1. Highway & Roads – Update from January 2024 meeting.

LCC Cllr Paul Skinner - No further update

8.2. Parking along Church View – Update

LCC Cllr Paul Skinner to update on who owns the grass verge. – No further update

8.2.1 – The Clerk has been in contact with Bates Environmental, who state that they will stop the lorry from parking on the verge and will arrange for the verge to have new top soil, to be levelled and re-seeded. Councillors mentioned that the vehicle has not been parked in this area.

8.3. Horses Butterwick Road – Update

The councillors mentioned that the horses had escaped their paddock and was on the A52. To monitor the situation.

8.4. Play Equipment purchase – Update

After the agenda was issued the clerk, received notification that the start date of the works will begin on the 3rd April 2024, and take approx. 2 weeks to complete.

8.5. Letter to TH Clements – Regarding Plastic Waste – Update

The clerk advised that they had written to TH Clements but had not had a reply, the councillors suggested writing to Chris Gedney and forwarding the original email with the complaint. Update at April meeting.

8.6. Email to We'll Meet Again Museum - To Note The clerk has emailed the museum regarding the donation of £500, received a reply stating that as they do not meet our conditions, they are turning down the funds offered.

9. Finance:

9.1 Bank Account: Statement of accounts as at 21st March 2024

- Treasurers Account Balance - £1,035.45
- Business Bank Instant Balance - £55,586.13
- Fixed Term deposit account - £30,000.00

9.2 To approve the accounts for payments

- Payments due March 2024 - £2,111.21
- Payments made in between meetings 2024 - £502.50
- Receipts received March 2024 - £54.90

9.3 To Note: Receipt received of £10,000 from UKSFP funding, this amount has been transferred into the savings account.

10. Date of next parish council meeting: Thursday 18th April 2024 at 7:30pm

11. Any other business to go forward to the April 18th 2024 Agenda. / Notes for information.

Cllr Judith Godwin reported 30 plus bags collected on the great spring clean on 17 March 2024

The clerk to arrange a letter of thanks to Fred Grants for all their help with the spring clean-up.

Cllr Shuan Pearson reported potholes to fixmystreet.

Cllr Peter Bedford thanked Cllr Shaun Pearson for adding the best kept village sign on to the Freiston Village gate.

Cllr Bridgett Posey reported rubbish at Clampgate, Cllr Peter Bedford to report to BBC.

With no other business to go forward to the February meeting, the parish council meeting closed at 19:52pm

Chairman Signature:

Date: