

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE DANNY FLEAR COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY, 20<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 at 7.30pm

### PRESENT:

Parish Councillors: N Marshall (Chairman), P Bedford (Boston Borough Councillor), J Godwin, R Pearson, S Pearson, B Posey, M Sheldon and J Tillson  
Lincolnshire County Councillor P Skinner  
Mrs J Barnes (Clerk)

1.1 **APOLOGIES** received from the Police.

1.2 It was reported that one applicant had applied for the vacancy on the Parish Council and it was agreed that Toby Short from Church Road be co-opted onto the Council and the clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

### 2 **POLICE REPORT**

PCSO A Devonish had reported on the following incidents; anti-social behaviour on Drove Road; criminal damage and domestic animals both on Shore Road; domestic incidents in Oak House Lane and another area; road traffic collision on Priory Road and the A52; a suspicious circumstance in Bull Pasture and wildlife on Drove Road.

### 3 **MINUTES**

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018 having been previously circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

### 4 **MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 Church End Road – Concern was still being expressed, both with the flooding and the culvert, Councillor Skinner to take this forward.

4.3 Overhanging shrubs – Some work had been done on the overgrown hedge opposite Homers Lane.

### 5 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Tillson declared an interest in 6.6 as a relation of the applicant and he left the room for this item.

### 6 **PLANNING**

6.1 B/15/0428/CD1 – The conditions on the application to have details approved relating to condition 4 (contaminated land investigation) of planning permission B/15/0428 – construction of 1no detached dwelling, demolition of existing outbuildings and new separate replacement garage to serve Hillcrest, Church Road had now been discharged.

6.2 B/18/0246 – No decision had yet been made on the application for erection of two storey dormer style residential dwelling following demolition of existing pavilion building at Freiston Sports Club, Park Lane for Freiston Playing Field Association.

6.3 B/18/0248 – No decision had yet been made on the application for change of use from section of playing field to car park at Danny Flear Community Centre for Freiston Playing Field Association.

- 6.4 B/18/0364 – The application for construction of detached chalet bungalow and detached double garage at Plot adjacent to 19 Acorn Close for D Gildersleeves had been granted.
- 6.5 B/18/0400 – The application or resubmission of B/18/0180 removal of roof over detached garage and construction of replacement roof and internal alterations to change of use of garage to mixed C3 (residential) with Class B1A (office for business use) at Butterfields, for Mr & Mrs Butterfield had been granted. It was noted that a response had been received regarding the parish council comments stating that the driveway and parking would still be used by the existing dwelling house as well as the business.
- 6.6 B/18/0418 – The outline application for one dwelling, with all matters reserved for later approval at land adjacent to Fernlea, Spittal Hill for W T Taylor & Sons was inspected. No objections.

### **7 PARISH MATTERS**

- 7.1 **Highways** – Nothing further reported.
- 7.2 **Grit Bins** - . It was noted that those in the parish had been filled and information had been received from Lincolnshire County Council stating that a request for a new grit bin could be made by the Parish Council. It was agreed to request a further bin on the Freiston side of Priory Road Bridge. It was also noted that the grit bin on the corner of Butterwick Road with Shore Road was not required as this was on the bus route.
- 7.3 **Freiston Hall School** – Nothing further was reported.
- 7.4 **Parish Clerks Meeting** - The clerk reported that she had attended the meeting at Boston Borough Council on the 30<sup>th</sup> October.

The 1<sup>st</sup> item on the Agenda was taken by Matt Fisher covering land ownership and grass cutting contracts. It was noted that parishes can sign up to HM Land Registry to obtain title deeds and copies of plans for specific parcels of land.

Michelle Sachs then led further discussions on the Transparency Code, which we adhere to, but some councils had not fully complied. It was noted that Bank Mandates should be checked periodically, and the clerk stated that she would be doing this in due course. The authorisation of payments was mentioned at length, especially with internet banking and it was pointed out that the decisions are the responsibility of the whole council and all councillors share collective responsibility for the financial management of the council. The clerk stated she would check the Financial Regulations for wording.

Clerks were requested to make sure that councillors keep their Register of Interest up-to-date and that they know when to declare an interest, making sure it is recorded in the minutes.

Standing Orders and the Equality Act Duties were also covered.

The clerk stated that this was only a brief summary of the meeting and it was pointed out that Parish Liaison Meeting for Councillors would now be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> November. Councillor Marshall stated he hoped to attend.

- 7.5 **Parish Council Newsletter** – The October issue had been forwarded to all councillors, noting that the final date for garden waste would be week commencing Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 7.6 **Grass Cutting** – Lincolnshire County Council had sent details of the Parish Agreement Highway Verge Cutting Scheme for 2019/2020. Councillor Marshall stated that the majority of this was already cut by individuals. It was agreed that Freiston enter this scheme and would therefore be entitled to a contribution from Lincolnshire County Council towards our costs. A formal Parish Agreement would need to be completed and the Clerk together with the Chairman would complete this.
- 7.7 **Community Speed Watch** - Further contact details had been received, and whether the parish would be interested in forming a speed watch team. It was noted that at present we do have the passive signs but agreed that the clerk make further enquires regard the hand-held radar (HHR).
- 7.8 **Planning Consultation** – Information was received from Boston Borough Council regarding the 6-week consultation on the Planning Application Validation Checklists and was available on their website.
- 7.9 **War Memorials** – Information had been received regarding the War Memorials Grant Scheme, this was available for free-standing war memorials which Freiston was.

It was noted that several people who lost their lives in World War 1 were not commemorated on the memorial and further enquiries would be made and discussed again at a future meeting.

It was agreed that Councillor R Pearson make enquiries regarding the broken kerbing alongside the war memorial in the first instance and then the whole surround would be attended to.

- 7.10 **Review of Polling Places** – Boston Borough Council are undertaking a review of the Polling Places and it was agreed that the Freiston Church Hall is still acceptable for Freiston.
- 7.11 **Parish Litter Picking** – It was noted that Amy Pearson was not available to continue with this position and it was therefore agreed to advertise the vacancy. It was stated that she would continue in post at present, until a replacement was found.

## 8 CORRESPONDENCE

- 8.1 Clerks & Councils Direct – The November issue was handed to Councillor Tillson.

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### 9 FINANCE

9.1 The Clerk presented the up-to-date accounts, together with an update of the precept spending to date and evidence of the bank balance.

9.2 The following payments were discussed and agreed.

Payment	Details	Amount	VAT
BACS	GOPAK – FPFA – Agreed between meetings	£622.55	£103.76
BACS	Amy Pearson – Litter Picking	£65	
BACS	Chattertons – FPFA	£570	£120.00
BACS	FPFA	£150	
BACS	SJG Electrical and Security - FPFA	£42.60	£7.10
BACS	SJG Electrical and Security - FPFA	£110.38	£18.40
BACS	Chris Cook Print - FPFA	£81.60	£13.60
BACS	Fred Grant -FPFA	£132.67	£22.11
BACS	Wicksteed – FPFA	£54.00	£9.00
Cheque No 548	R A Hackett – St James Church – Trees	£1320.00	£220.00
Cheque No 549	Royal British Legion (Freiston Branch)	£25.00	

9.3 It was noted that all the FPFA and the Church payments had come out of their reserves.

9.4 It was noted that the allotment rent had not yet been paid.

### 10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

10.1 The next Council meeting would be held at the Danny Flear Community Centre on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7.30 pm.

10.2 It was agreed to hold the meal at The Kings Head on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

### 11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 The councillors agreed that the Parish Council would support the Picnic in Park on the 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

11.2 It was reported that the Emergency Team would be holding a meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 to update details.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Signed: Councillor N C Marshall (Chairman)

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019