

Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on

Wednesday, 28th March 2018.

Present: Mr Neil Watson (Chairman)
Mr. B. Warcup (Vice-Chairman)
Mr. T. Smallwood
Mrs. E. Potter
Mr. P. Wood
Mrs. S. Tompkin
Mr. R. Overfield
Mr P. Pennock
Mr. S. Rhodes
Mrs. A. Starkey
Ms. J. Hobson (Clerk)
Cllr J Evison

1. Apologies: No apologies were received.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

It was reported that there had been a request to change the minutes of the meeting held on 31st January. The minutes were corrected and signed as a true record.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Public Representations

Mr & Mrs Aspin had attended the meeting at the request of the Parish Council. The Parish Council had expressed an interest in what the long term plans were with regards to the woodland that Mr & Mrs Aspin had recently acquired and to also discuss the boundaries of the land. The Chairman presented Mr & Mrs Aspin with a drawing of the boundaries of Corner Garden which they agreed were correct. Mr Aspin then gave a brief summary of what work had already taken place and what work he still wished to do in the future. The long term plan was to take the area back to woodland and create a leisure area for his family to enjoy for years to come.

The Chairman and Parish Council thanked Mr & Mrs Aspin for coming along, they then left the meeting at 7.50pm.

5. Matters Arising:

(i) Emergency Plan Cupboard

Mrs Tompkin had presented the Clerk with a list of key holders for the village hall. It was agreed that all five key holders on the list plus the Clerk should hold a key to the emergency cupboard. It was requested that the Clerk purchase 4 extra keys.

The Clerk had sourced a suitable sign online which it was agreed should be purchased with a red background and to read "Rudston Parish Council" "Emergency Information Inside".

(ii) Defibrillator Project No 2

It was reported that all the funding was now in place. There was plenty of money to cover the purchase, installation and 4 or 5 years ongoing maintenance costs. The Clerk presented the council with a copy of a street light map to help identify the most suitable location for the defibrillator. It was agreed by all that ERYC should be asked to install the defibrillator on Lamp Post No 3 on the map. Assuming this was agreeable with ERYC it was then agreed by all that an order be placed with The Community Heartbeat Trust for the defibrillator and suitable mounting kit.

The Chairman sought permission to insert a late agenda item which was agreed by all.

(iii) Post Office Service

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Evison to the meeting and invited her to give an update on the Post Office service. Councillor Evison confirmed that after months of communicating with The Post Office over the poor service offering to Rudston (as well as Barmston and Burton Fleming) she was pleased to report that progress had been made. Following a motion at a full council meeting for a letter to be sent to Post Office Ltd a response had been received agreeing to meet face to face with Councillor Evison and Stephen Hunt, Head of Planning at ERYC. The meeting had taken place with Mark Gibson, Public Affairs Manager for North East England and Northern Ireland, Post Office Ltd. Mr Gibson had apologised for the lack of service over the recent months and stated that the problems were due to broadband and IT issues rather than the actual Post Office. Engineers had been assigned to rectify the problems and Mr Gibson was now confident that everything would be OK. Additionally the contract to supply the outreach service had been given to a new party with which it was hoped would supply a more reliable service. Councillor Evison confirmed that the service would resume the week commencing 9th April when an engineer would also be attending on the first day to make sure everything ran smoothly. Councillor Evison expressed her thanks to Mrs Tompkin who had worked with her to resolve the problems. The Chairman and the Parish Council expressed their thanks to Councillor Evison, Mrs Tompkin and Mrs Clark for their efforts for which it was pleasing to see a positive result.

6. Matter Arising from Previous Minutes

(i) Corner Garden/Caythorpe Environmental Fund

It was reported that the Parish Council had been successful in acquiring a grant from the fund to help with maintaining the Corner Garden but disappointingly the cheque had apparently gone missing in the post so the Chairman would chase this up again.

The Chairman sought permission, which was agreed, to alter the order of the agenda to allow Councillor Evison to leave in order to attend another meeting

7. Planning Applications

Applications considered since last meeting:

18/00580/TELCOM – Installation of 12m high pole and antennas, equipment enclosure and ancillary works on High Street Amenity Land, Long Street, Rudston.

It was reported that the Parish Council had submitted a no objection comment and that this application had subsequently been granted permission by ERYC.

Applications to be considered:

18/00273/PLF – Change of use and associated alterations from Public House and B&B to five dwellings and associated parking at Bosville Arms, Rudston.

It was reported that it had been understood by various members that someone within the village had been willing to purchase the pub, had put in a sensible market value offer and corresponding business plan but that this had been declined. It was not known who this person was. Councillor Evison advised that if this person could be found and persuaded to give evidence of this proposal to ERYC Planning Department it would greatly help in keeping the pub within the village.

It was agreed by all that this application should not be approved. The Parish Council would submit a comment stating a strong objection and requesting that this application be sent to a planning committee.

Councillor Evison advised that to back this comment up it would be useful to supply a list of the many reasons that the Parish Council and residents of the village felt that the pub should remain as a pub. It was agreed that the Parish Councillors would e-mail the Clerk by end of play Thursday 29th March with their lists of sensible reasons. The Clerk would then submit the comment and list on Friday 30th March. Councillor Evison stated that both herself and Councillor Owen would support this decision.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Evison for attending and for her support. Councillor Evison then left the meeting at 8.30pm.

8. Renewal of Joint SLCC Membership for Clerk

The Clerk reported that the renewal of the SLCC Membership was due at a total cost of £100. As in the previous year the Clerk requested that this cost be shared amongst the 3 Parish Council's that she worked for. The other 2 Parish Council's had already agreed to this. It was agreed by all that Rudston would contribute £33.

9. Recycling Bins

It was reported that a request had been received from a local resident to see if the Parish Council could arrange for the recycling bins to be removed as they were now largely redundant given that the Third Party Recycling Scheme had ceased. The bins were just attracting fly tipping nearby and the area was becoming unsightly. It was reported that the glass recycling bins had already been removed but the clothing bins still remained. It was reported that the area would require a tidy up after the bins had been removed as there was glass and rubbish left behind. As the land belongs to ERYC, the Clerk would ask them to make the area safe.

10. Playground Accounts

The Chairman asked whether there was still a separate Playground Account in existence and whether there was enough money to pay the Playground Inspection bill of £78. Mr Rhodes reported that the account was still in existence and had a balance of £5018 and that yes this could be used to pay for the inspection. As the Parish Council had already settled this invoice, Mr Rhodes wrote out a cheque to Rudston Parish Council to re-imburse the £78. The cheque was handed to the Clerk.

11. Contested Land

Mr Overfield reported that there was a query over who owned the land surrounding the Corner Garden and a small piece of land at the end of South Side Lane. The Clerk presented some information from 2006 which confirmed that the Parish Council had taken possession of three pieces of land but that the land on South Side Lane was not one of these. It was requested that the Clerk look back through the records and speak with Mr Crossland, the retired Clerk to see if any further information could be found. If this came to nothing then we would have to contact Land Registry for confirmation.

12. Payment of Accounts

Rudston Parish Council Transactions and Finance Statement for February & March

<u>Description</u>	<u>Current A/C</u>	<u>Deposit A/C</u>	<u>Total</u>
Opening Balance	£2539.15	£3033.39	£5572.54
Village Hall Hire x 2 Jan meetings	(£15.00)		
Play Inspection Company	(£78.00)		
Bank Interest		£0.52	
ERVAS Payroll	(£22.00)		
Clerk's Wages	(£292.50)		
Clerk's Expenses	(£41.20)		
Closing Balance	£2090.45	£3033.91	£5124.36

The above transactions were received and approved by the members.

The Clerk reported that since compiling the above information the £1650 Lissett Community Wind Farm Fund had been received.

13. Members Village Issues

Mr Overfield reported that a resident had approached him to ask if the Parish Council could get a street light moved. As the street light in question belonged to ERYC the Chairman advised Mr Overfield to suggest that the resident take the matter up directly with ERYC.

Mr Overfield requested that a request be put in to ERYC to sort out the gutters on Burton Fleming Road as there was lots of standing water.

Mrs Starkey requested that the pot hole at the end of Burton Agnes Baulk be reported to ERYC as this was now dangerous.

Mr Rhodes requested that the street light near to his home be reported as it was flickering. This was identified as being Street Light No 1 on Long Street.

Mr Smallwood requested that the War Memorial be added to the next agenda.

The Chairman confirmed that there should soon be a meeting to establish what would happen with the remaining Centrica Fund. It had previously been put forward that the three local parishes would each

receive £25K to go towards projects which loosely helped the environment in some way. Once confirmation was received on this the Chairman would put an article in the newsletter asking local residents to submit proposals for using this money. The Parish Council would then decide which projects the money should go to. It was noted that there had already been an expression of interest from the Sports Club and the Village Hall.

14. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting is to be held in the Village Hall on **Thursday 3rd May 2018**, at 7.00 p.m. immediately followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm