

Rudston Parish Council

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in the Village Hall on
Friday, 15th May, 2015.

(The meeting commenced at 7.25 p.m. immediately following the Parish Meeting in the main hall, as all members expected were present).

1. Present: Mr. N. Watson (Chairman)
Mr. S. Rhodes
Mr. R. Overfield
Mr. T. Smallwood
Mr. B. Warcup
Mr. C. Shanks
Mr. P. Crossland (Clerk)
+ 1 person observing.

2. Apologies: Mrs. A. Starkey
Mr. J. Moorfoot
Mr. P. Wood

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

The Minutes of the meeting held on 25th March, 2015, were agreed and signed as a true record.

4. Election of Chairman & Vice-chairman

Mr. Warcup proposed that Mr. Watson continue as chairman, seconded by Mr. Shanks. All agreed and Mr. Watson agreed to continue in the post.

Mr. Smallwood proposed that Mr. Warcup continue as vice-chairman, seconded by Mr. Shanks. All agreed and Mr. Warcup agreed to continue.

5. There were no Declarations of Interest.
6. There were no Public Representations

7. Matters Arising:

- (i) Defibrillator (item 6 iv)

The Chairman reported on progress with the Defibrillator-in-phone-box project. Although quoted costs were high, all should be covered by grants.

- (ii) Street Lights (item 6 vi)

The Clerk reported that East Riding of Yorkshire Council were now less keen on the idea of switching off lights at midnight in Rudston's case. This was because of

the split between parish and county maintained ones. A map showing all had been obtained and was passed around members. The response from E.R.Y.C. about new LED lighting was that the programme had commenced but that it could be some time before it reached Rudston. After discussion, the Chairman's opinion that any further action should be left until then was agreed. The now annual Street Lighting Inventory had also come due. This required data from E.R.Y.C. to whom the fee as last year of £15 + VAT was due.

7. (iii) Low Caythorpe Cottage (item 8 I)
 Planning application approved for: erection of single storey extension to side following demolition of conservatory.
- (iv) Thwing Road Solar Array (item 8 ii)
 Plans approved for the "variation of condition" in installation of a 230kw. Fixed solar array and associated works and infrastructure.
- (v) Rural Partnership Seminar (item 9)
 Nothing of particular relevance had been identified. Agreed no further action. .
- (vi) Litter Bins (item 10)
 There was further discussion, but it was agreed that Corner Garden entrance should take priority in provision for litter. However, after reminder of the price of new receptacles, Mr. Shanks' offer to obtain black bags and attempt an independent solution was agreed. He was authorised to spend approx. £30 in a trial period of one year.
- (vii) Payroll (item 12)
 The Parish Council's payroll provider had forwarded details of a further one-off charge of £75 from government in connection with new pension arrangements. The Clerk thought this shouldn't apply in his case, and E.R.V.A.S. had promised to query the matter. The outcome would be known when the next scheduled paperwork was received in June, if not before.
- (viii) Audit & Accounts (item 13)
 The accounts had been approved by internal auditor, and the period of availability to view at the home of the Chairman under way. Copies of Receipts & Payments account had been included with agendas, and there were no queries. The Chairman and Clerk signed the various papers as necessary.
- (ix) Elections (item 16 I)
 Mr. Ezard and Mr. Van der Heijden had stood down from the parish council and there had been no new applications before the election date. Thanks had been

expressed towards both outgoing members for their service at the earlier Parish Meeting and in the current newsletter. Particularly Mr. Ezard who had completed 28 years, 12 of them as chairman.

As Mr. Ezard had also been a cheque signatory a replacement was required, and Mr. Overfield volunteered. The Clerk had obtained a form from the bank which would be completed at the close of the meeting.

Acceptance of Office forms were passed around and signed by members present. One name had since been received for the vacancies, and was the person observing. (See later).

8. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

(i) Roadside Verges (item 7 iii, 3/12/14)

The response from the Joint Local Access Forum had taken a long time, and when received was disappointing. Various suggestions of action and contacts that might be made by the Parish Council, rather than being passed directly to the departments concerned.

Since however, the Parish Council had been advised that Rudston was due to a Task Force Walkabout this year, and the Chairman had agreed to meet with Mike Connor of E.R.Y.C. on 30th June. These matters would therefore be raised with him at that time. The Chairman explained the Walkabout scheme for the benefit of new members.

9. Parish Meeting Issues

Attendance at the preceding Parish Meeting had consisted almost completely of parish council members and there were no issues arising.

10. Members' Village Issues

The matter of pathways around the village and those under the Parish Paths scheme was raised and received much discussion. It was agreed that the Clerk should enquire about a definitive map of all paths in the parish.

11. Payment of Accounts

Payment was authorised and cheques signed for:

East Riding of Yorkshire Council (Street Lighting Inventory)	£ 18.00
Npower (Street Lighting 1/4/14 – 31/3/15)	£ 45.75

The Clerk explained that only this smaller invoice had been received to date and that a main one of at least £600 was expected.

Clerk's Expenses	£ 20.00
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Rudston Village Hall (Hire)	£ 7.50
Aon Insurance (1/6/15 – 31/5/16)	£924.15

The Clerk explained that this represented a further discount in addition to the one already in place, and also that additional coverage had been included. That now included main items on the children's playground.

The only receipt had been the Precept of £3,800. The Clerk had queried the continued non-appearance of Recycling money and two payments could be expected any time now.

12. Correspondence

- (i) The latest 6 monthly Anti Social Behaviour report had been received on computer, but as there was nothing in Rudston had not been printed.
- (ii) Village Walkabout details – as reported earlier (item 8)
- (iii) Two issues of E.R. Parish News. An item of note was mobile Rural Health Checks from a vehicle around local villages. It was agreed to enquire about the possibility of a visit to Rudston. (Clerk's note: initial e-mail 16/5/15)
- (iv) Kilham Road was now to receive surface dressing – reported in newsletter.
- (v) The Chairman and Clerk had agreed to attend a "Training session" in June, to learn of a new Electronic Planning system.
- (vi) A Lissett Wind Farm Funding meeting was to take place in Skipsea on the following Monday, but was concerning funding for security equipment. This was agreed to probably be of little value to Rudston, and would not be represented.
- (vii) Publicity of a Dementia Helpline. Clerk to report in next newsletter.

13. Any Other Business

- (i) Mr. Overfield raised the matter of pathway signposts, and would be another matter for Parish Paths.
- (ii) Mr. Warcup enquired about ownership of the seat next to the notice board at Long Street/High Street junction. This was not known, and Clerk to enquire of all seats placed by E.R.Y.C. in the village.
- (iii) The resident observing was introduced as Mrs. Eileen Potter. It was agreed that she would be co-opted onto the Parish Council with effect from next meeting and gave details to the Clerk.

14. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

It was agreed this should be before the Walkabout instead of the day after as intended. To be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 24th June, at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.