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Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in the Village Hall on
Friday, 6th May, 2016.

(Meeting commenced 8.10 p.m. following Annual Parish Meeting)

1. Present: Mr. N. Watson
Mr. T. Smallwood
Mr. P. Wood
Mr. C. Shanks
Mr. S. Rhodes
Mr. R. Overfield
Mrs. E. Potter
Mrs. S. Tompkin
Mr. J. Moorfoot
Mr. B. Warcup
Mrs. A. Starkey (arrived later)
Mr. P. Crossland (Clerk)
+ Mrs. S. Morrison (Clerk-elect) observing
2. Minutes of Previous Meetings
After amendment of the year to 2016 the Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd March, were agreed and signed as a true record.
3. Election of Chairman & Vice-Chairman
Mr. Smallwood proposed that Mr. Watson continue as chairman, seconded by Mr. Warcup. All agreed and Mr. Watson agreed to continue in the the post.
Mr. Watson proposed that Mr. Warcup continue as vice-chairman, seconded by Mr. Rhodes. All agreed and Mr. Warcup agreed to continue.
4. There were no Declarations of Interest.
5. There were no Public Representations
6. Matters Arising:
 - (i) Defibrillator (item 6 i)
The Chairman reported that whether the bid for funding from the Lissett Wind Farm fund for the defibrillator was successful should be notified in the next week or so. If successful, it was expected that the defibrillator would be in place this summer.

(ii) Dog Fouling (item 6 ii)

East Riding of Yorkshire Council had issued confirmation of Public Spaces Protection Orders regarding areas where dogs were to be prohibited. For Rudston that covered Children's Playground only. There had been an earlier suggestion that Corner Garden should be included, and after discussion at the meeting it was agreed that the Playing Field should be added, but not Corner Garden. It was noted that these Orders were for a period of 3 years, but Clerk to ask for the additional area as above. Mr. Shanks had received posters and pre-printed letters regarding dog fouling. The posters were to be laminated, and one of the letters had been sent out already.

6. (iii) Footpaths (item 6 iii)

Word from Somerled MacDonald was awaited regarding Thorpe Hall share of the cost of upgrading the gates on Dark Lane footpath.

(Mrs. Starkey arrived at this point)

(iv) Fracking (item 6 iv)

Cuadrilla, the company referred to at the last meeting, had responded to the Clerk's enquiry. They advised that they had no plans for fracking in the area, but if that should change would then be ready to meet the parish council. It had since been learned that another company, Ineos, had plans for the area, and were holding a meeting at Sledmere that same evening. There was to be a follow-up meeting in Malton which Rudston parish councillors could attend.

(v) Transport Survey, Buses (item 7 i)

A meeting in Beverley had been held to assess results of the Transport Survey. Mrs. Starkey had been unable to attend, and neither she or the Clerk had heard anything since. The Chairman suggested that the E.R.Y.C. officer involved could be invited to a parish council meeting. This was agreed and Clerk to invite to the next.

(vi) Emergency Plan (item 8)

Updating of the Emergency Plan was now under way.

(vii) New Clerk (item 10)

The Chairman had jointly with Burton Agnes held interviews with two prospective candidates for the post of Clerk to both parish councils. Their choice, Mrs. Sandra Morrison, was introduced to the meeting and all agreed with the appointment. For Rudston this would be effective 9th May to allow a handover period with the current clerk.

(viii) Lions Donation Offer (item 13 v)

Mr. Shanks outlined a proposal for acceptance of the Lions organisation offer of £200. A heavy duty circular table and seat had been identified as suitable for the children's playground. This was agreed and Clerk to make application.

7. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:(i) Low Caythorpe (item 7 iii, 15/5/15)

An amendment to previously approved plans to "change exterior finish of the extension and to change door & window sizes" had been received. Shortly afterwards however came notice that it had been approved, there having been no chance for any

parish council comment.

8. Parish Meeting Issues

Two issues from the Parish Meeting held earlier had not been fully resolved. These were parking on Eastgate and speeding on the main road. Clerk to request details of any speeding enforcement checks that had taken place in Rudston since the investigation last year.

9. Accounts (a) Annual Governance Statement (b) Accounting Statement

The first was a new requirement of the annual audit. In the form of a "tick box" exercise it was read out to the meeting by the Clerk. The second signified approval of the accounts and members had received a copy with agendas as usual.

10. Village S.O.S.

The Chairman explained this scheme, copies of which had been distributed with agendas, after which it was agreed to proceed. Chairman to put in motion.

11. Insurance Claim

The Bowls Club had asked the Clerk to enquire about an insurance claim following a fence destruction caused by winter storms. Cover was confirmed, and a sum of £735 after excess agreed, payable after provision of an invoice copy. (Work was not yet completed). The Clerk also advised that insurance premium renewal was due this month raising probability that two cheques would be required before next meeting.

12. Members' Village Issues

Mr. Rhodes and Mr. Warcup raised matters, neither requiring action.

13. Payment of Accounts

Payment was authorised and cheques signed for:

E.R.Y.C. (Street Light Testing)	£369.60
(From last year, one of the late invoices mentioned at previous meeting)	
Npower (Annual Street Lighting)	£849.86
Clerks' Expenses	£ 20.00
Rudston Village Hall (Hire)	£ 7.50

Receipts were V.A.T. Refund (£213.98) and Precept (£3,000)

14. Correspondence

- (i) Notice of Planning Liaison Meetings – passed to Chairman for possible attendance
- (ii) Notice of a “Safe & Sound” grant for over 60s and disabled. Clerk to include in next newsletter.
- (iii) Notice of Adoption of Affordable Housing document from E.R.Y.C. Rudston not affected.
- (iv) An invitation to attend a church service to celebrate the Festival of St. John of Beverley to be held in Beverley Minster on the following Sunday had been relayed to those with e-mail facility.
- (v) The Clerk had commenced completion of the annual Recycling Agreement, but had considered that the new clerk's details should be provided. This was agreed and would be completed after the meeting.
- (vi) Notice of a Waterways Meeting in to be held in Bridlington later in the month. Mr. Shanks had details separately.

15. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

Already booked to be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 29th June, 2016, at 7.30 p.m. (Mrs. Potter and Mr. Wood advised apologies in advance).

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.