

FLORDON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St Michaels Community Centre on Monday 9 May 2016

Present: Cllrs Tim Webster, John Dyer, Ann Barnes, Pam Harvey, Jimmy Lockhart, Janice Holmes

Attending: Gareth Roderick-Jones, Parish Clerk

Before the start of the formal part of the meeting, the County Councillor's report was circulated and noted.

1 Apologies for absence: Cllr David Harrison, County Councillor Colin Foulger

2 Declarations of Interest: nil

3 Minutes of meeting held on 14 March 2016: accepted and signed

4 Matters arising from previous minutes: for future reference, where there is public discussion before the formal part of the meeting, the contents of the discussion will be noted and reported alongside the minutes of the meeting.

5 Finances

- clerk will check with Cynthia Hill regarding internal audit arrangements
- clerk will obtain any missing bank statements
- the following payments were approved by the Council:
 - donation to the PCC to cover the cost of Mr Taplin's invoices for £420 and £325
 - payment of £78.00 to JR Vincent-Bunn for grass cutting
 - payment of £357.64 to AON for annual renewal of insurance (NOTE - clerk to check that this premium includes cover for damage to, theft of, or damage or injury caused by the SAM2 the Council intend to buy.

6 Planning:

no new applications. Clerk will check if consultation notices are being received

7 Highways:

- **SAM2** update provided by Cllr Barnes:
 - questions previously discussed regarding the longevity of SAM2 signs, the accompanying software and whether they needed regular recalibration are now answered - the software is all included, they should last a number of years without needing servicing, and they do not require recalibration.
 - Total cost including fixings (excl VAT) is £3281; renting from Newton Flotman PC would cost £265.00 per annum.
 - Cllr Barnes will look after the data collection
 - reclamping should be an easy operation but would need volunteers; a rota for this could be on each meeting agenda.
 - it will require at least 3 locations as it has to be moved after a month, and not returned to the same location for at least 2 months.

- it would be desirable to hold a meeting between the manufacturers and representatives of the PC to discuss locations and firm up the prices (Cllrs Webster, Barnes and Harrison have volunteered).
- **Speedwatch**
 - Locations including the Station Road triangle near the village sign have been identified.
 - So far 11 volunteers have come forward and a training session for volunteers is now needed.
- **Trod Path:**
 - Recent correspondence from NCC Highways describing newly encountered difficulties because of overhead wires in the location of the proposed trod path have indicated a probably increase in cost of 30-40%.
 - This increase is unacceptable because the PC have already raised finance and paid for this project.
 - Cllr Harrison is dealing with this issue which is ongoing.

8 Mushroom Farm issues

- Cllr Lockhart reported on an informal meeting between himself, District Councillor Phil Hardy, SNDC Planning Department and NCC Highways Department. In the meeting there was discussion about moving loading restrictions to improve control over access to the area for heavy vehicles. It was said that there is no budget for this in the current year.
- Cllr Lockhart also reported on a formal Planning Committee meeting at which a relaxation of conditions was agreed. There is an extension to permitted hours of business for a period of 12 months. Cllr Lockhart will present detailed notes on this meeting and his views of its conduct.

9 Results of Litterpick

South Norfolk sponsor litter picks in communities across the district every year. This year Floridan participated by holding a litter pick on Saturday 9 April. Volunteers collected 27 bags of rubbish and recyclable material, plus some concrete and lengths of pipe.

10 Correspondence

The following were circulated and noted:

- Norfolk Minerals Site Specific DPD
- Changes to domestic bin collection days
- Parish Council Websites - new funding
- reminder about spending CIL
- Borderhoppa Raffle

11 Items for Next Agenda/Any Other Business

- Now that NCC cut verges just once a year we need quotes for verge cutting through the village. Cllr Harvey will ask Simon; clerk will ask Norse for a quote.
- Cllr Barnes will prepare an article on the trod path and the Speedwatch project for the parish newsletter.

11 Next meeting

Monday 8 May 2017