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Minutes of a Meeting held in the Village Hall on

Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

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

Mr. R. Dewhirst

1. Apologies: Apologies were received from Mr Shanks.

#### 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2018 were agreed and signed as a true record.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 4. Public Representations

The Chair reported that there had been a recent incident within the village whereby a trailer had tipped over causing damage to several properties. The incident was due to the careless driving of contractor working for Burton Agnes Renewables. The Chair invited Mr Saunders and Mr Dewhirst to speak. Mr Dewhirst introduced himself and Mr Saunders and then apologised for the incident stating that they had acknowledged the seriousness and that they accepted that they need to make their drivers more responsible. Now that the harvest had finished they would sit down with their contractors and express their disappointment whilst reviewing their performance. Mr Pennock added that there was a further incident on the Monday following the original incident that had also caused concern to the residents of the village. Mr Saunders asked that all incidents be reported no matter how small and if residents were able to note the registration number of the vehicle this would be useful in identifying the driver. It was suggested that some form of identification sign be added to the cab of each tractor which could be easily seen from the roadside and which residents could use to report their concerns. Mr Dewhirst confirmed that this was certainly something they could look to do. It was also suggested that reminder signs be put up reminding contract drivers to slow down through the village, which again Mr Dewhirst agreed to look further into. Mr Dewhirst and Mr Saunders agreed to let the Parish Council know approximately one month before each harvest was due to start so that a reminder to residents could be put into the village newsletter along with a phone number which residents could call with their concerns and report any dangerous drivers. Mr Saunders gave a suitable phone number to Mrs Tompkin for inclusion in the newsletter.

Mrs Starkey asked whether BA Renewables would consider starting a Trust Fund towards local village causes. Mr Dewhirst confirmed that this would be given consideration.

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The Chairman thanked Mr Dewhirst and Mr Saunders for coming along and discussing these issues. The Chairman asked that Mr Dewhirst and Mr Saunders speak privately with Mrs Duffield as her property was one of those affected by the incident and still had some issues to be resolved, this was agreed. Mr Dewhirst, Mr Saunders, Mrs Duffield and Mr Duffield all then left the meeting at 7.50pm.

# 5. Matters Arising:

# (i) <u>Defibrillator Project No 2</u>

The Chair reported that the Parish Council had received two complaints regarding the siting of the defibrillator, one from Mr & Mrs Braithwaite and one from Mr & Mrs Tate. Both parties had requested that the Parish Council reconsider the location of the equipment. The Chair confirmed that he had added a cover over the bright green light on the defibrillator as a temporary measure whilst discussions continue over the viability of being able to move the defibrillator. The Chair agreed to speak with Mr Braithwaite to say that the Parish Council are negotiating with ERYC but for the time being the defibrillator would have to stay. The Clerk was asked to speak with ERYC street lighting team again to establish whether the originally planned location near to the noticeboard was simply impossible or was it just that it may have been more expensive to install there.

# (ii) Bosville Arms

Mr Simmonds reported that a sub-committee had been formed and a meeting had taken place and had been minuted. A letter had been sent to the owner expressing the intention of the community which had been responded to asking that an offer and other information be received by the end of the week. The sub-committee had sent an e-mail back asking for access to the site and building for an independent valuation through the Plunkett Foundation but so far no further response had been received from the owner.

Mr Rhodes and Mrs Starkey reported that they had that day (as members of the sub-committee) attended an event in Peterborough held by the Plunkett Foundation and had found it extremely useful. Mrs Starkey requested that her fuel costs be reimbursed which was agreed by all and her receipt was handed to the Clerk.

Mr Simmonds reported that the cost of the independent valuation would be £900. Mr Simmonds asked whether the Parish Council could cover the £900. This was agreed unanimously based on the number of residents who had attended the village meeting and who were in favour of a community pub.

Cllr Evison and Cllr Owen asked if there was anything else they could assist with before they leave. The Chair thanked them for attending. They then left the meeting at 8.25pm.

The Chair suggested to Mr Simmonds that the minutes of the sub-committee meetings be posted on the Parish Council website in the interests of transparency. Mr Simmonds agreed and would send a copy of the minutes to the Clerk in due course.

# (iii) <u>War Memorial Maintenance</u>

Mr Simmonds reported that he had done a test clean on the steps and was happy with the results and so would proceed. A paint company had kindly agreed to donate some suitable paint for the cross. Mr Simmonds hoped to complete the work by the end of October.

# (iii) Dog Waste Bins/Stickers

The Clerk reported that the cost of a specific dog waste bin was £378 and the cost of a "no dog waste" sticker was £2.85. It was suggested that the bin within the playground could be moved to the other side of the fence which should not only make it easier for people to access the bin to properly insert their dog waste but would also mean less waste bags being left around the playground. Mr Rhodes confirmed that the Playground Committee had enough money to be able to pay for this bin to be moved. Mr Wood agreed to ask local man Mr Burgess for a quote to move the bin. It was agreed by all that the Clerk should purchase a sticker for the Corner Garden Bin after first checking with Mr Shanks as to whether he had any such sticker.

#### 6. Payment of Accounts

Description	Current A/C	Deposit A/C	Total
Opening Balance	£790.74	£5434.80	£6225.54
Bowls Club Insurance Contribution	£39.40		
Clerks Wages	(£305.37)		
Clerks Expenses	(£36.92)		
ERVAS Payroll	(£16.50)		
Interest		£1.13	
Closing Balance	£471.35	£5435.93	£5907.28

#### Rudston Parish Council Transactions and Finance Statement for September

The Clerk reported that Mrs Tompkin had handed a £25 cash donation to her at the beginning of the meeting. Mr Simmonds handed the Clerk an envelope containing a cash donation from a Mrs Oliver. The cash was counted and verified by the Chair as being £100.47. Both donations were to go towards the bird feed costs at the Corner Garden. The total cash to be banked was £125.47.

The above transactions were received and approved by the members.

# 7. Correspondence

A letter requesting a donation towards the Driffield School Twilight Bus Service had been received. It was agreed by all that a donation of £20 would be made this year. It was also requested that details of the Twilight Bus Service be placed in the village newsletter.

An e-mail invitation from the Caythorpe Gas Storage Project had been received detailing a forthcoming meeting to be held at Boynton Village Hall on 26 November at 7pm. The details were read out by the Clerk. It was requested that details be placed in the village newsletter.

An e-mail invitation to the Lissett Community Wind Farm Fund Annual Review meeting to be held on 1<sup>st</sup> November at Skipsea Village Hall was read out by the Clerk.

A website enquiry had been received from a Mr Grinstead concerning the footpath behind Rudston House. It detailed concerns over two young bulls in one of the fields and the fact that the gates were chained up and there was a lack of signage to alert walkers to the presence of bulls. Several members of the Parish Council confirmed that although there were chains on the gates these were not actually locked and that they believed there were some "Bull In Field" signs present. It was requested that the Clerk respond to Mr Grinstead with the information given above. A website enquiry had been received from a filmmaker requesting permission to film the Monolith area within the Church. The Clerk confirmed that a copy of this e-mail had been forwarded to Rev Glyn Owen.

An e-mail had been received requesting participants for the next series of "Love in the Countryside". Details were read out by the Clerk. It was requested that details be placed in the village newsletter.

#### 8. <u>Members Village Issues</u>

Mrs Tompkin reported that the noticeboard on Eastgate was in need of some refurbishment and that she noticed how cluttered this noticeboard was due to it not being locked allowing anyone to place notices in there. It was suggested that a lock be fitted. The Clerk would talk to Mr Shanks about this as he had suggested he may paint that noticeboard some time ago.

Mr Rhodes reported that the street light outside No 6 Long Street was on 24 hours day. Mr Rhodes was given details of the website address at ERYC to report this.

The Chair reported that there was a telegraph pole which had a broken metal stake on it was a hazard and ought to be reported to BT. The Chair would forward the pole number to the Clerk to allow her to report this.

Mr Smallwood asked who was responsible for fingerposts as there was a particular post at the top of Caythorpe which had disappeared and required a new one. The Clerk was given the name of the footpaths officer at ERYC to contact about this.

#### 9. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 12th December 2018, at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9pm