

MINUTES OF HUMBLETON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

On THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2019,

held at Maple Garage, Flinton

16.73 Present: Councillors: H Stannard (HS); J Burton (JB) (Chair); L Brazier (LB); S Wood (SW) & H Jackson (HJ); N Broughton (NB)

Apologies: F Caley (FC) (Chair)

Officer: Mrs Vanessa Nolan

Residents: None

Non-residents: None

16.74 Public Forum

Nothing

16.75 Declarations of Pecuniary & Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor Brazier declared an interest in the Flinton land.

16.76 Confirmation of Parish Council Minutes:

RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting including AGM held on 23 May 2019, 4 June 2019 and 13 August 2019 signed as a true record.

16.77 Matters arising:

a) Highway & Street Services issues –

i) Fly-tipping continues to be a problem and is reported as identified. There appears to have been some issues with using the website to report issues and no action taken, but these are followed up. ERYC were concerned that their staff were advising residents not to pick up rubbish as noted in the May meeting – this is not correct and they will willingly provide bags to help with litter picking.

The gravel chipping-yard remains an area used regularly for fly-tipping despite ERYC placing a bin in the location.

ii) Pot holes – it was noted that the work on Long Lane, Main Road and Danthorpe Road had been completed and the road was much improved. We await the work on Lelley Road due to different machinery required. The clerk had also reported that the small lane from Aldbrough Lane to Flinton was in a bad way with grass growing through the middle of the road – this had been acknowledged and inspected and work was expected within 28 days.

iii) Speeding – still a major concern in both villages – the clerk had registered our interest in the community speed watch so that some training in using equipment could be used to deter speeding cars. Chris Brazier had agreed to be our main contact and the lead on this project.

iv) Litter pick – Clerk offered to buy some Hi-Viz and litter picks, but the Flinton residents need to advise when a pick could be organised.

- b) Police Reports / Neighbourhood Watch – quite a few churches were being hit with lead thefts and general burglaries in the surrounding areas.
- c) Maintenance schedule –
 - i) Trees on Flinton land – this had been followed up again by the clerk and the contractor promised the work would be done shortly.
 - ii) Planter at south entrance to the village – it was agreed that the clerk obtain a price from the supplier who rebuilt the bus shelter.
- d) Parish Clock – obtaining a scaffolding quote is proving problematic, but still trying.
- e) Heron’s Trust – no update to date.
- f) Community Plan –
 - Broadband update – this has now been completed and both villages are connected. There are some issues in Flinton with access to upgrade some properties. This is ongoing.
 - Speeding in both villages, but specifically in Flinton – this was covered earlier in the meeting.
 - Community building – this is outside the control of the parish council but both Heron and the Church seem to be independently working on this.
- g) Bus shelter on B1238 – the £250 insurance excess is still our cost until the insurance company successfully recover it from the driver. The clerk has obtained a couple of witness statements and provided them to the insurance broker to assist in our case.
- h) Rathlin Energy (UK) update – there had been some publicity about the gas field find which according to Rathlin was premature. A further meeting will be convened when the outcome of the testing is known.

16.78 Correspondence

None

16.79 Accounts

- a) Payments approved to V Nolan for salary & expenses £276.50 and HMRC £154.00 for PAYE.
- b) Payments already made included Npower (power usage for Christmas lights) £75.60, The Marvell College (printing of colour newsletters) £78.20 and TFH (Worcestershire) (for new swing) £271.80.
- c) Receipts of £230 from Friends of Humbleton towards the new swing.
-) Financial statement of accounts circulated prior to meeting – the accounts are still healthy and we have healthy cash reserves. Current bank balance totals £4,410.65 in two bank accounts.

16.80 Planning

Nothing.

16.81 Any Other Business

- The Family Fun day was held on 14th July and was well supported by residents and friends.
- Family Christmas event to be held on 30th November at 6pm.

16.82 Date of next meeting

Thursday 21 November 2019 at 7pm at Maple Garage, Flinton.

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