

MINUTES OF HUMBLETON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

On THURSDAY 10 JUNE 2021,

Held at Maple Garage

17.39 Present: Councillors: F Caley (FC); (Chair); L Brazier (LB); H Jackson (HJ); J Burton (JB) & H Stannard (HS)

Apologies : N Broughton (NB)

Officer: Mrs Vanessa Nolan

Residents: One

Non-residents: None

17.40 Public Forum

An update on the parish clock was requested and discussed.

17.41 Declarations of Pecuniary & Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillor F Caley declared an interest in Rathlin Energy.

Councillor L Brazier declared an interest in Flinton land.

A break occurred to hold the AGM and then the meeting resumed.

17.48 Matters Arising

a) Highways – clerk asked to raise concerns about Lelley Road from Elstronwick junction to The Stag; clerk to raise concerns about the Preston cross-roads and visibility; clerk to raise concerns about the hedges on Long Lane blocking visibility near the bridge; clerk to raise concerns about the sign on Long Lane advising the bridge & bend.

b) Street services – a walk about had been held by ERYC and a schedule sent to the clerk, who was to respond with additional items identified, including Tansterne Lane.

c) Police & Neighbourhood Watch – number of crimes still low in our area however poaching / hare coursing still an issue. Concerns about workmen visiting the vulnerable for works in gardens / trees and over charging. ERYC has a new rural officer.

d) Maintenance schedule – pumps all ok. Cutting the new cemetery is proving difficult – any ideas welcome as farmers are very busy.

e) Parish clock – no update, however it was noted that there may be funds available to support some work.

f) Heron's Trust – tenders are out for the houses development and work is expected to start in August. The issue of the safes was discussed.

g) Community plan – the pandemic has impacted this, but as restricted are lifted, this should restart.

h) Rathlin – (FC excused from the meeting) the online consultation raised several questions and the clerk has pulled together the responses from Rathlin to her questions which will be available on the website. The road closure letter for Pasture Lane was noted.

i) Friends of Humbleton – the summer event is cancelled this year due to the pandemic, but the Christmas event is expected to be held with the permission of the Church. The clerk has noticed there was some potential funding available and confirmed an application would be made.

j) Bridle path update – not heard anything.

k) New Councillor – clerk to put a notice out requesting applications.

17.49 Correspondence

No further information

17.50 Accounts

a) Payments already made included nPower for electricity to The Green for Xmas lights £69.30. Payments approved were £317.40 for the clerk which included salary and new defib pads (£86.40) and payment to HMRC £154.00.

b) financial statement of accounts circulated prior to meeting – the accounts are still healthy, and we have healthy cash reserves.

17.51 Planning

Braziers donkey stable was approved.

17.52 Any Other Business

- Councillor Jackson celebrates his 90th birthday the following week.

17.53 Date of next meeting

Thursday 9 September at 7pm at Maple Garage.