

RUNCTON HOLME PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd May 2022 at 7.30pm, held at Runcton Holme Church Hall.

Present: Councillors: M Stevens (Chair), T Oughton, B Redfern, S Partridge, R Wales
Borough Cllr Mike Howland and 2 members of the public.

Clerk: P Winson

23/22 Appointment of a) Chairman

On proposal from B Redfern and seconded by R Wales, all agreed to appoint Martin Stevens as Chairman.

b) Vice-Chairman

On proposal from S Partridge and seconded by M Stevens, R Wales was appointed as Vice-Chairman.

24/22 Accept apologies for absence

Apologies received from K Ward. Clerk will contact K Ward to see if he intends to attend the next meeting.

25/22 To consider requests for dispensations from the restriction on participating in the discussion or voting on a matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.

None.

26/22 Declarations of Councillors Interests

S Partridge declared an interest in agenda item 33/22(i).

27/22 Agree Minutes of meeting held on 12th April 2022

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, the minutes were agreed and signed.

28/22 Councillor Vacancies

No applications to consider. There are now two vacancies as Robert Pearman has now resigned.

29/22 Public Speaking

- (i) Member/s of the public: C Garner expressed his thanks to Robert Pearman for all his time on the Parish Council. He said that the white lines on School Road and surrounding roads had still not been done. The trees at Woodlake's are still a concern, clerk will chase Richard Fisher again as there has been no update since the matter was initially raised. L Brady raised her concern over speeding on the A10 and the junction. This is a later agenda item. It was also asked why the name on the Newsletter no longer says 'Parish' as it is felt that this infers that it only relates to Runcton Holme. It was agreed that the newsletter would be titled 'Runcton Holme Parish'.
- (ii) Cllr Howland had previously circulated his report: 'The Borough I.T. Department have rectified the issue with Google regarding Gmail accounts which will allow texts from Councillors to be received by Parish Clerks again.'

Councillors Community Grants of which five were allocated to organisations in four villages in the last tax year and hopefully there will be more money available in this new tax period.

Marham Friends applied for a Grant for a new Recycled Bench for the people waiting at a bus stop, but as the Bench would be located on Borough land permission was sought and approved with no fees payable.

I hope that you have been receiving the notification of Press releases from me for you to pass on to Parish Councillors which keep you informed of forthcoming events in King's Lynn and surrounding areas.

I attended a virtual meeting to discuss the proposed changes to the bin collections and copied you into the e-mail only to learn that all parishes would be informed directly and that everyone will get notification I when their bins are emptied.'

He said that he needed to know the number of children at the school as he will be presenting Jubilee coins to them. He was advised that there are approximately 60 but T Oughton will confirm the exact number to him. The Mayor Making ceremony will be next week. There are still some ongoing Gmail issues. He said that it had been a horrible year for him due to his eyesight issues and so he has spent a lot of time talking on the phone instead of attending meetings. He said that if anyone needs him then they should call him. There are currently 1500

props holding up the QEH and a new eyesight centre is opening on 9th May 2022. The next SNAP meetings are on 20/7/22 and 19/9/22 and will be held virtually. The Borough Council and Parish elections will be held next year.

30/22 Defibrillator

Clerk has emailed R Rockcliffe to ask if he would agree to a defibrillator being installed at The Red Barn but he has not responded as yet. The installation of a defibrillator at the Parish Hall is agreed if the Parish Council ensure the costs are covered. Clerk will check with R Pearman whether he is still happy for the defibrillator cover for the Social Club one to be delivered to him.

31/22 Matters Arising from previous meetings, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
There has been no update in respect of the post-box which was stolen.

32/22 Correspondence

Various correspondences – emailed to Cllrs.

33/22 Play Area

- (i) Clerk will make enquiries as to who is doing the inspections and enquire what training is available if needed.
- (ii) The quotes need to include gates that are self-closing and anti-finger traps. Clerk will look into his.

34/22 Playing Field

There is a new crew so they may not have the correct key. Collection days are changing. R Pearman has the spare bin key. The bins on the playing field need emptying.

35/22 Highways

- (i) Updates and Issues to be reported: Ffolkes Place, as you turn in on the corner on the right, the kerbstones have been patched and it is very uneven. Clerk will contact Richard Fisher at the BC again to see if he has assessed the trees at Woodlake's yet. Nathan Reed from EH at the BC is dealing with the odour and discharge issues, clerk will ask for further update.
- (ii) SAM2 update. Wimbotsham still have it but R Wales will be getting it back soon.
- (iii) School Road. Wig Wag application was successful and the Parish Council have returned the agreement and paid their 50% contribution. Cllr Long met with A Wallace (NCC) and parish councillors to discuss the speeding issues and it was suggested that a 'pinch point' could be created. Still pending proposal from A Wallace with costs, so clerk will chase.
- (iv) School Road drainage concerns, meeting held with A Wallace and B Long to discuss concerns in respect of the new dwellings. A Wallace agreed to investigate why the water is backing up. Clerk will chase for update.
- (v) A10 concerns. Cllr Long mentioned that there are potential traffic measures proposed for Tottenhill and he would make enquiries as to whether there is a possibility for them to be extended further down the A10. Clerk will chase update.

36/22 Policies

Clerk is still reviewing and will make any recommendations for the next meeting.

37/22 C.I.L Funding

Play Area matting and fencing to be considered.

38/22 Newsletter

Articles coming in. Still pending an article from Andy Nicol of the Scouts. Deadline is 9th May so that it can be out in time for the Jubilee.

39/22 Queens Platinum Jubilee 2nd June 2022

A disco has been booked for the Social Club for Saturday 4th June. S Partridge agreed to provide a buffet, on proposal from R Wales and seconded by M Stevens the Parish Council agreed to cover costs up to £200. It was suggested that a tree could be planted near the other one and/or a composite bench. There is a thanksgiving service at the Church on Thursday 2nd June at 10am.

40/22 Planning/Licensing

Nothing to discuss.

41/22 Finance

- (i) Payments agreed:
M Stevens is proposed to be additional signatory.

- (ii) Accounts to 17th April 2022 agreed and signed.
- (iii) Annual Accounts for 2021/22 agreed and signed.

42/22 Councillors Concerns and Items for Next Meeting Agenda.
Defibrillator to be ordered. Installation quotes to be obtained. Lack of Councillors.

43/22 Confirm date of next meeting.
Date of next meeting is 7th June at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed:

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