

RUNCTON HOLME PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 5th September 2023 at 7.30pm, held at Runcton Holme Scout Hut.

Present: Councillors: S Partridge (Chair), D Caley (Vice-Chair), N Cooke, I Oakley, T Oughton, R Pearman, and 3 members of the public
Clerk: P Winson

98/23 To receive apologies

Apologies received from Borough Cllr Moriarty and Andy Marriott.

99/23 Declarations of Councillors Interests and requests for Dispensations

None.

100/23 Agree Minutes of meeting held on 15th August 2023

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, the minutes were agreed as a true record and signed.

101/23 Councillor Vacancies

There is one vacancy. M Stevens has submitted his application. All agreed to his co-option. He was given the forms which he completed and returned.

102/23 Public Speaking

(i) Borough and County Cllrs: None.

(ii) Members of the public: The phone box removal application was mentioned and it was stated that mobile phone signal has reduced. The signpost opposite the A10 junction has been knocked over and is on the verge. It was asked if the Rangers could be asked to cut the footpath past the church in South Runcton. There were two leaks on Downham Road and there is a right mess in the road. The top of the meter box is sticking up in the verge. The postbox has been installed but it is still wrapped up and not in use.

103/23 Defibrillator

All checks carried out and all ok. The school now have a portable defibrillator which is available during school hours. It was felt that the best location for the sign is at the entrance to College Lane where the other signage is on Rockcliffe's land. This was proposed by N Cooke and seconded by D Caley and all agreed, subject to R Rockcliffe's approval.

104/23 Matters Arising from previous meetings, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

The clerk has been given a contact at NCC to ask for information regarding the Holme Close fire and she has contacted him.

105/23 Correspondence

There was a request for a book stall in the bus shelter. It was felt that this as not the most appropriate location as the books would get damp. It was asked whether the Social Club may allow a book shelf, S Partridge will approach Jenny to enquire.

Various correspondences – emailed to Cllrs.

106/23 Play Area

Signs need a clean. Hedge between Bowls Green will be cut in October. Cliff Ellis is due to complete the fencing works at the end of September.

107/23 Playing Field

(i) No update.

(ii) Fir Trees – On proposal from N Cooke and seconded by D Caley, all agreed to accept the quote from KWR Plant at a cost of £6500 plus VAT, as this also involves removal of the arisings.

108/23 Social Club

Clerk will enquire as to whether there is any funding available as the PC cannot commit any funds at the present time. Watlington PC have confirmed that they have Hikvision CCTV which allows up to 8 cameras. This was installed professionally and is contracted by the Council with AMR Fire & Security. They said that it is an excellent kit, with super clear images, although it was not cheap to have set up (around £1,600 for installation and a further £1,500 to add extra cameras). D Caley advised that he would get advice from someone he knows.

109/23 Highways

(i) Updates and Issues to be reported:

PROW still not cut as NCC advise that they have contractor issues, so will ask if the Rangers can do this. Weeds in path past allotments.

(ii) SAM2 update. I Oakley will get data for the next newsletter. Vegetation needs to be cleared from

the School Road sign location.

- (iii) School Road. CIL application has been successful. Two drains have been done outside no 37 and 39. A Wallace has advised that kerbing is scheduled for 6-8 weeks' time. No update re jetting so clerk will chase A Wallace.

- (iv) A10 concerns. No update. Reflectors at the junction need to be repaired/replaced.

110/23 Dog Bins Consent has been granted for the bins to be moved. The Oaklands Lane one is to be moved up next to the grit bin and the Thorpland Lane one is to be moved to Thorpland Close next to the footpath and away from the noticeboard.

111/23 Woodlakes

Tank has now been installed. Water is still not clean but it is better than it was so it will continue to be monitored.

112/23 C.I.L Funding

Application for the pinch point has been successful, agreement agreed and signed. Clerk will chase A Wallace for the specification.

113/23 Newsletter

Has been distributed. Potential new advertiser. Martin was thanked for his help. The dedicated newsletter email is working well. Next newsletter deadline is 8th November.

114/23 Kings Coronation Bench

Installation planned for Thursday evening 6.30 to 7.00pm on the play area.

115/23 Planning/Licensing

Nothing to consider.

116/23 Finance

- (i) Payments agreed: Scouts - Meeting Hall Hire - £10.00, Earth Anchors - £933.60.

- (ii) Accounts to 5th September 2023 agreed and signed.

117/23 Councillors Concerns and Items for Next Meeting Agenda.

The Play Area has no access to toilets. R Pearman advised that the Social Club could not provide access. Pavement parking was mentioned in Holme Close and the state that the building is in, it was said that it is an eyesore. Playing Field, there are several tree roots which could be dangerous, N Cooke will get some advice as to options. It was asked again that when emails are replied to that it is with the same topic, as it is confusing if people bring up a different matter. If there is a new subject then please start with a new email.

118/23 Confirm date of next meeting.

Date of next meeting is 3rd October 2023 at 7.30pm and will be held at the Scout Hut.

Meeting closed at 8.49pm.

Signed:

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