

RUNCTON HOLME PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 7th November 2023 at 7.30pm held at Runcton Holme Scout Hut.

Present: Councillors: S Partridge (Chair), D Caley (Vice-Chair), I Oakley, T Oughton, R Pearman, A Marriott, M Stevens and 1 member of the public B Cllr J Moriarty Clerk: P Winson

139/23 To receive apologies

Apologies received from N Cooke and County Councillor B Long.

140/23 Declarations of Councillors Interests and requests for Dispensations

None.

141/23 Agree Minutes of meeting held on 7th October 2023

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, and 126/13 amended, the minutes were agreed as a true record and were signed.

142/23 Public Speaking

- (i) Borough and County Cllrs: B Cllr Devulapalli sent apologies. Cllr Moriarty had previously circulated emails in respect of Material considerations and Parish Council update session presentation and the cost-of-living briefing notes. He apologised for not being around much. He advised that Terry Parish, the leader of the Borough Council, had held meetings with Parish Council chairpersons and that he intended to hold them again next year. He advised that parish councils should give their reasons for supporting or objecting to a planning application and that the reasons should be material planning considerations. The Borough Councillor grant scheme will be running again next year. The next round of CIL applications will be in January 2024.
- (ii) Members of the public: The post box is still wrapped up and not yet in use, R Wales is still chasing this up. There is a blocked drain on Downham Road at the end of Thorpeland Lane. The path is very muddy and wet towards Thorplands Close.

Cllr Moriarty left the meeting.

143/23 Matters Arising from previous meetings, not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

Cllr Long is chasing up the fire report re the Holme Close fire.

144/23 Correspondence

Letter received at the meeting from the Social Club re the trees at The Firs. It was agreed that the letter would be circulated to all councillors and enquiries could be made re the historical situation in respect of the trees.

Various correspondences – emailed to Cllrs.

145/23 Play Area

Inspection carried out by R Pearman, S Partridge and T Oughton. The missing parts have been replaced on the swing seats. Tom Thumb slats, it was suggested that these could be composite/plastic rather than wooden when replaced. The birds nest swing, the cushion has perished and wadding around the joint needs replacing. The tree roots, CGM have provided a quote for £156 for the stump grinding and A Marriott will ask them to provide the quote in writing. The entrance is very muddy and D Caley advised that he would put some planings down.

146/23 Playing Field

S Partridge asked whether the Country Club pay a fee when they bring the caravans onto the field and if so where the money goes. It was advised that the Country Club make a donation to the Social Club. It was felt that there should be a fee for the Country Club to use the Recreation Ground.

147/23 Social Club

CCTV – D Caley has sought advice and he was advised that there should be one camera on the entrance and one on the playing field and he is waiting for a cost. The Social Club had previously provided a quote and this included a camera/s inside the building. Clerk is looking into funding options which may be open to the Social Club. The Social Club could apply for a Borough Councillor grant.

148/23 Highways

- (i) Updates and Issues to be reported:
Common Road potholes have been filled. Over the railway track, the mud on Bells Drove is terrible. D Caley advised that he would speak to the landowner to ask if he could clear it. The signage at the A10 junction is still lying on the verge. Kerbing has been done on School Road.

- (ii) SAM2 update. I Oakley will get data for the newsletter. It has been moved again.
(iii) School Road.
Highways are unable to trace the outflow and D Caley suggested they use dye. Pinch point will need flexible posts rather than solid to allow farm vehicle access. Pinch point specification not yet received so clerk will chase Andy Wallace again.
- (iv) A10 concerns. Accident Investigation Study to be completed this financial year.
- 149/23 Dog Bins** S Partridge and A Marriott agreed to do this and will advise the clerk once done so that the BC can be informed.
- 150/23 C.I.L Funding**
Next round of applications will be open in January 2024 so Councillors will give this some thought.
- 151/23 Newsletter**
Deadline this weekend. Clerk asked if an article could be included asking if there were any parishioners who would be able to provide a quote for small jobs in the parish, cleaning, paving etc.
- 152/23 Planning/Licensing**
23/01445/BT - Removal of 3 BT payphones - Various Locations within the Borough. Clerk gave update on recent info on the planning application and it was agreed to make further comments in respect of the accident record and mobile phone signal.
- 153/23 Finance**
(i) Payments agreed: BCKLWN (Uncontested election fees) - £54.60, RH Scouts (Hall Hire) - £10.00.
(ii) Accounts to 17th October 2023 agreed and signed.
- 154/23 Councillors Concerns and Items for Next Meeting Agenda.**
Holme Close situation seems to have improved but will monitor. Woodlakes hedge cutting, D Caley has asked them and clerk will email.
- 155/23 Confirm date of next meeting.**
Date of next meeting is 5th December 2023 at 7.30pm and will be held at the Scout Hut.

Meeting closed at 8.56pm.

Signed:

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