

Minutes of the Roos Parish Council Meeting held in the Memorial Institute, Roos on Monday 12th January 2015

Present: Cllrs D Winter (Chairman), W Ainley, J Cracknell, A Dodson, B Smales and K Tyson.

Apologies were received from Cllrs C Blenkin, A Coupe and J Ward.

1. Consideration of Councillor's declaration of interests

There were no changes declared by members to the register of interests.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 8th December 2014

These were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the minutes

3. RES Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

It was reported that applications to the fund were now into double figures for consideration by the fund panel at its meeting on the 16th February.

4. Tunstall coastal defence scheme

A brief further response from ERYC indicated that there had been no further developments with regard to negotiations with Mr Smales to acquire the land required to enable the scheme to proceed and Cllr Cracknell undertook to pursue the matter further with ERYC.

5. Drainage issues at South End

The Clerk read a letter addressed to the Chairman from Yorkshire Water copies of which were handed to members which confirmed that its investigations were now complete and which detailed all the areas investigated and the appropriate action taken in each location.

6. Highway issues

The Chairman reported that the Community Payback team would be improving the paths between Dove Lane and the church and Rectory Road and Dove Lane within the next week and that Mr Beal had requested that his section not be attended to as he maintained his stretch of path.

Cllr Tyson confirmed that he had now removed and disposed of the dilapidated bench on Withernsea Road.

It was reported that the ERYC local grants committee would be considering the application for the provision of a litter bin at Tunstall from unclaimed monies allocated to the Council within the next two weeks.

A reply from ERYC Highways indicated that as footpath no.5 alongside the post office is a public right of way its maintenance comes under Countryside Access and Cllr Dodson agreed to pursue the matter with Andrew Chudley.

7. Tedder Hill Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

Cllr Ainley reported that the inaugural fund panel meeting had finally taken place earlier in the day at which introductions were made and that the scheme would shortly be launched with a press release being issued by ERYC.

8. ERYC Chairman's awards

It was agreed that no nominations be put forward for the above awards this year.

9. ERYC draft Local Transport Plan

A reply from ERYC confirmed that the 174/5 bus service was run by EYMS and generally reductions in service levels were made because the service was no longer economically viable coupled with financial cuts from government funding.

A response from EYMS confirmed that usage on the service had considerably declined with an average of four passengers a day from the stops between Sproatley and Withernsea without alternative peak services, including two from Roos.

10. Magna Carta anniversary

As Cllr Blenkin was not in attendance to update the Council it was agreed to defer discussion on the item until the next meeting.

11. ERYC draft Local Plan

A reply from ERYC indicated that the slight extension to ROO-A at Beechwood Views was suggested to provide a greater buffer in the village to ensure that the 40 home figure could be achieved which would provide for a further 5 dwellings at the site and that Yorkshire Water had been re-consulted on whether the sewer infrastructure could accommodate an extra 5 houses. As they had no objections to the 40 dwellings it would be a surprise if concerns were raised with an extra 5 and Yorkshire Water's comments were awaited.

It was agreed to remind ERYC that throughout the earlier consultation process its documentation had stressed the need for the sewage infrastructure to be upgraded prior to any new development in the village.

Correspondence

12. East Riding parish news

The latest edition was circulated for members' individual attention.

13. Feeling under the weather

An NHS leaflet was also circulated for members' individual attention.

Planning

Decision

Listed building consent for erection of single storey extension to side and installation of internal doorway to link utility room to extension at The Elms Rectory Road Roos

It was reported that ERYC had approved the above application.

14. Treasurer's report and precept for 2015/16

The Treasurer sought and received approval for payment of the following accounts:-

Avondale Landscapes - work on footpaths 1,4,5,8,9 and 10 - £206.00

B Lee - salary/expenses for three months - £875.00

It was agreed that the precept requirement be maintained at £3,000.00 for next year.

Any other business

15. Roos notice board

Comment was made on the inadequate siting of the board and it was agreed to explore the possibility of its relocation or use of the facility at the post office.

16. Dog fouling

Cllr Dodson reported that fouling was an issue in Main Street and Hodgson Lane and he confirmed that he would make use of the dog fouling stencil on the footpaths and it was agreed to place an appropriate notice in the notice board.

He also reported that he would be relinquishing the maintenance of the paths as he was down sizing his work and he was thanked for his efforts over the years.

17. Defibrillators/ambulance response times

Cllr Cracknell reported on the possible need for further units in the parish and that she would contact the Holderness Gazette with regard to engaging the public to subscribe and it was agreed to explore the possibility of also applying to ERYC's local grant fund next financial year towards obtaining the units.

Cllr Cracknell referred to current ambulance response times and the fact that ambulances were being despatched out of the area to for example Bradford which was far from satisfactory and that ERYC was pressing for this practice to cease.

18. Emergency Plan

It was agreed that consideration be given at the March meeting to inviting Alan Bravey of ERYC to attend the April meeting to assist the Council in refreshing its procedures including a possible table top exercise.

19. Dents Garth

The Chairman undertook to investigate a complaint of potholes in the road.

20. Christmas tree

It was agreed that thanks be expressed to Mr and Mrs Sennett and Mr and Mrs Kitchen for their kind assistance with the tree celebrations.

21. Parish website

Cllr Ailey reported that ERYC was upgrading the website this month.

22. Public session

Mr Cook ask he if he could have sight of the letter from Yorkshire Water with regard to drainage issues and it was agreed to supply him with a copy and the Chairman handed him a copy of the letter.

Annual review of Clerk's salary/expenses

It was agreed that the Clerk's salary/expenses be increased to £3,600.00 per annum with effect from 1st January 2015.

Next meeting

The next meeting to be held on Monday 9th February 2015 in the Memorial Institute commencing at 7.30pm.

