



MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
9TH JANUARY 2012, 7.30 PM, METHODIST CHAPEL, FLAMBOROUGH
(Prior to the meeting, a Surgery was held with Councillor Woodhouse)

Present: Councillors I Woodhouse (in the Chair), P Couzens, J Crossland, S Emmerson, A Grainger, Mrs K Johnson, V Leppington, R Sellick, C Taylor and F Villani.

9 members of the public

ERYC Ward Councillors and PCSO Humphrey had sent apologies
Clerk, Libby Woodhouse, recorded the Minutes

1/12 To receive apologies for absence:

RESOLVED: To receive apologies of absence from Councillors M Smales, Mrs M Sexton and Miss B Nettleship.

2/12 To receive Declarations of Personal/Prejudicial Interests on Agenda Items, the Nature of the Interest and Registration of Gifts:

Any declarations of interest made by Councillors are recorded at the appropriate Minute.
Registration of gifts – there were none.

3/12 Public Participation session to include items on the agenda (to include members of the public and Councillors with prejudicial interests):

Mr D Hinde – spoke in relation to the planning application for two 80 ft turbines at Bempton. A leaflet had been produced by Bempton residents objecting to the turbines and 96 residents had turned up at the previous night's Bempton Parish Council meeting. Objection letters had been concerned with rail safety, noise, proximity to residents, and the Heritage Coast Landscape. Bridlington Town Council and Bempton Parish Council had strongly objected. Mr Hinde stated that approval of this application would create a precedent for others planned in the area, for example at Muntons and Marton Manor Farm. The applicants are also related to the applicants at Marton Manor Farm. The application site is not a farm but a house with horses. He was concerned with losing visual quality of the landscape, noise, flicker, health issues, the effect on barn owls, the SSSI next door, property depreciation, industrial development, etc.

Mr A McLean – spoke in relation to the Bempton turbines application that it was the wrong area for wind farms and the wrong part of the wrong area as it was only 180 m away from properties. He was concerned regarding the visual impact and noise as residents can hear Muntons works which is much further away. He said that the photomontages in the applicant's brochure were ridiculous.

Councillor Crossland – declared a prejudicial interest in the planning application regarding the work to the car park at Flamborough School (his property adjoins Flamborough School) and wished to state that he was fully in support of the application to extend the car park but he would have liked it to be extended further as it still would not be big enough.

As residents of Bempton were in attendance, the Chairman suggested to alter the order of the agenda and the Council dealt with the planning applications next.

4/12 To consider Planning Applications as listed below and subsequent plans received after the agenda is sent out (planning applications available for public inspection at 7.15 pm):

- (1) **11/05584** - Erection of two 11kW wind turbines (height 18.4 m to hub and 25m to blade tip)
At Land South East Of Manor Farm, Newsham Hill Lane, Bempton East Riding Of Yorkshire
For Mr A Pond
Application Type: Full Planning Permission
(Within Flamborough Headland Heritage Coast designation)

RESOLVED: (All in favour) to support Bempton, strongly object to the application, recommend the application is refused and goes to Committee and for the Clerk to prepare a response along the lines of proximity to properties, landscape, Heritage Coast, etc, proposed Councillor Emmerson, seconded Councillor Mrs Johnson.

The Bempton residents thanked the Parish Council for the support and left the meeting.

- (2) **11/05627** – Construction of extension to existing school car park and erection of 1.2 m high boundary fence and gates
 At Flamborough CE VC Primary School, Carter Lane, Flamborough
 For Flamborough CE VC Primary School
 Application Type: Full Planning Permission.
(Note: a letter from Head Teacher Mrs Tandy, which gives background information regarding this application, is enclosed with the agenda).

Councillor Crossland declared a prejudicial interest (his property adjoins Flamborough School), left the meeting for the duration of this item, did not take part in discussion and did not vote.

RESOLVED: (All in favour) that the Parish Council recommends the application is approved, proposed Councillor Villani, seconded Councillor Sellick.

Councillor Crossland returned and resumed the meeting.

Planning Applications Granted by ERYC

- (1) **11/03260** – Variation of Condition 9 (occupation) of planning permission 02/00918 (extension to caravan park) to allow occupation for twelve months of any one year at Greenacre Caravan Park, Lighthouse Road, Flamborough.
 (2) **11/05113/TCA** – removal of sycamore tree, Langdales, Woodcock Road, Flamborough.
 (3) **11/05209** – Erection of single storey extension to rear at 102 Constable Road, Flamborough
 (4) **11/05184** – Erection of a shed to house historic tractor at Trevor House, Dog & Duck Square.

5/12 To approve the Minutes of Parish Council Meeting of 5th December 2011:

RESOLVED: (All in favour) that the Minutes of this meeting are approved and signed as a true and correct record, proposed Councillor Villani, seconded Councillor Sellick.

6/12 (a) To receive the Clerk's Report & Action Log (for information enclosed):

Clerk's Report:

Buckrose Ward, Bridlington Hospital – A reply has been received from the Chief Executive of the Humber NHS Foundation Trust confirming that “any changes to the future of Buckrose Ward will be subject to further consultation and will involve all relevant stakeholders”

- The Clerk will request further clarification as to who is a relevant stakeholder and ask what initial consultation there has been that requires further consultation. The Council requests to be consulted.

Street lighting, Village Green – three lights on South Sea Road North near the Youth Shelter have been out since mid-December and all three have been reported by ERYC to YE as there is a service fault – work had been completed to the lights that day.

Gully Cleaning, Village Green – at the request of a resident, Mr Skidmore at ERYC has confirmed that “ten trapped gullies have been cleansed and proved. The gullies are situated a metre or so into the grass verge, and the 'grip' had become overrun/squashed. Some leaves had also collected on top of the frames. The crew re-cut the channels or 'grips' to the gullies, and removed the detritus from the frame and run”. The location is again at South Sea Road North near the Youth Shelter.

Xmas Tree/Nativity – these were erected by Councillors Couzens, Smales and Grainger.

Timer sockets – there was a problem with these in the run up to Christmas and ERYC were called on numerous occasions to attend. I have asked for details as to why these did not work properly.

Bridleway/footpath consultation – Mr Seymour has sent a copy for information for the Parish Council that he has sent to ERYC that he is happy to withdraw his objection if a concurrent order made at the same time and date is made regarding the dedicated bridleway – this is because legal advice that he has received states a Creation Order cannot be made for a way already dedicated and accepted by user and that a bridleway cannot be created to replace a footway. If the Order as proposed goes through unopposed, the bridleway will be only a footpath as it crosses the dyke. He is to see ERYC in January.

ERYC Community Partnership Event, Driffild – neither Councillors Mrs Johnson nor Sellick were able to attend this event.

Toilet Cleaner PPE – purchased.

Clerk's hours – 35 hours worked in December and a fortnight's holiday (32 hours taken).

Police Report – PCSO Humphrey had sent a report which was read out to the meeting

ERNLLCA NE District Committee – The meeting was Tuesday evening – there was no-one to attend

LAT/Community Partnership Meeting – 27th January at Sledmere – there was no-one to attend.

Allotment rear hedge – cutting to start on site on 16th January. The Clerk had let tenants know.

Email from Councillor Mrs Sexton about a meeting at the Flaneburg Hotel re North Marine Road – The Clerk read out the email which constituted of Minutes of a meeting apparently organised at the end of November by Cllr Mrs Sexton as a Parish Councillor with respect to problems on North Marine Road and inviting residents, the Police and Dave England, ERYC Highways Engineer. The Parish Council had not been aware of the meeting and had not been invited and did not know whether Ward Councillors had been invited. As a result of the meeting, the authorities were to liaise and report back to residents with possible solutions which may include chicanes. The Council was extremely concerned that Councillor Mrs Sexton had acted without the Council's knowledge and whether she had given the impression to residents that she has been representing the Council. The email had been sent to the Clerk "For Information Only" however the Clerk was concerned that information sent to the Clerk was for the Council, and had felt because of the public interest that it should be disclosed to the Council. Councillor Mrs Johnson stated she had been approached in December by a resident who was scared of losing parking places on North Marine Road as a result of proposals from this meeting and she had informed the resident that the Parish Council was not aware of any meeting or proposals.

- The Clerk is to get legal advice as to how to move forward, explain to the Police and Highways Dept that Councillor Mrs Sexton was not representing the Parish Council, to put it on the agenda for the next meeting and the Chairman will have a word with Councillor Mrs Sexton.

Charlie's Gardens – The Clerk reported that the purchase of Charlie's Gardens was completed on 6th January 2012 and will appear on the next agenda for action.

Action Log:

Verge to rear of Lily Lane – The Clerk will chase this up.

Emergency Plan – Councillor Sellick is still looking into this.

Dog control order signs – The Clerk will chase this up.

No Dogs sign – Councillor Crossland will erect this at the playground.

Goal posts – Councillor Grainger and Couzens will undertake this – the sockets are in the store.

Light 32, Crofts Hill – Councillor Crossland reported this will be undertaken by YE as a freebie as it is their cut out. YE had not contacted the Clerk with respect to doing this work.

(b) To consider action required from the Clerk's Exceptions Report (enclosed):

Gate surface at Playground – this will be on the agenda for February's meeting.

7/12 Questions/Reports from Councillors and Committee Representatives:

Councillor Leppington – reported concern at the lack of work to rebuild the café at South Landing and that he had been approached by many residents stating that with the café site and the vast number of trees that had been felled at South Landing, it looked like a tsunami had hit. Trees had also been felled at Danes Dyke. Many residents had contact Councillors and the Clerk with regard to the recent drastic tree felling, some of whom had been very distressed. The Council noted that there had been no notification or consultation or explanation by ERYC prior to the work being done. Councillors had questions such as why so many trees had been felled, now the valley was exposed whether a barrier

would be needed, whether erosion would take place which would silt up the ditch, etc. One Councillor noted that the Flamborough Bird Observatory were consulted and had recommended wider community consultation. The Council felt that the community had not had sufficient notification or explanation. **RESOLVED** (All in favour) to write strong letters to Yorkshire Wildlife Trust (re the café site) and ERYC regarding the café site and the tree felling, proposed Councillor Leppington, seconded Councillor Crossland.

Councillor Crossland – noted that a bollard had been knocked down on the small island outside the paper shop on Tower Street.

RESOLVED: (All in favour) to ask ERYC Highways Department whether the island could be removed now the new right hand turn into Post Office Street was in operation.

Councillor Villani – reported on a blocked gully at the entrance to Danes Dyke and that the fence is rotten on the opposite side of the road.

- The Clerk will add this into the Highways letter.

Councillor Sellick – reported that the new post on the Village Green needed re-bedding again.

- Councillor Woodhouse will undertake this.

Councillor Emmerson – reported on the large amount of dog dirt on the Village Green and the Council discussed the large number of dogs being taken onto the Green. Unfortunately due to its status as a Village Green, dogs cannot be banned from there as dog walking is a recreational activity. Dogs can be banned from the playground and enforced when the correct signage is in place.

8/12 Chairman's Report:

The Chairman thanked Councillors Couzens, Smales and Grainger for erecting and dismantling the Christmas Tree and Nativity as without their hard work, this would not be possible. The Council commented that the displays looked good and definitely better with a large tree.

9/12 To note/deal with correspondence as listed below:

12 Dec-11 NALC/CPRE, new guide – “Planning Explained” – circulated to Cllrs by email
 12-Dec-11 Flamborough Village Hall, letter of thanks for donation to light at the rear of the Hall.
 12-Dec-11 DI Paul Kirby, re information about house burglaries and vehicle crime.
 Dec 11 East Riding Local Development Framework Autumn/Winter 2011 Update (enclosed)
 Dec 11 ERYC Chairman of the Council, Chairmans Awards and Commendations 2012
 Dec 11 ERYC Anti-Social Behaviour Team, Parish/Ward updates and breakdown (enclosed)
 Dec 11 Newsletters – ERNLLCA (enclosed), ERYC Parish News, Holderness Coast FLAG

10/12 Accounts

(a) To approve payment of accounts to 31st December 2011:

Chq No	Creditor	Net Due	VAT	Total
2100	AE Smith (Kilham) Ltd, cut front hedge, allotments	45.00	9.00	54.00
2101-2103	PAYE (Dec)	1,227.45		1,227.45
2104	Clerk Expenses (Dec)			
	Telephone	8.00		8.00
	Broadband Connection	7.50		7.50
	Expenses towards working from home	12.00		12.00
	Postage	23.55		23.55
	Stationery	0.00		0.00
	Photocopying paper	10.39	2.08	12.47
	Car Allowance	20.00		20.00
	Deliveries	2.00		2.00
	Totals	1,355.89	11.08	1,366.97

Received

£1.75 Interest, War Bonds

Already Paid

Chq 2098 £121.46 inc VAT

Chq 2099 £35.00

Tender Free Press, Street Lighting Maintenance Cont.

Village Hall, Light to rear running costs

RESOLVED: (All in favour) to approve the accounts for payment as submitted, proposed Councillor Crossland, seconded Councillor Mrs Taylor.

(b) To note Budget Monitor/Bank Reconciliation to end of December:

The Council noted the budget monitor and bank reconciliation.

11/12 (a) To receive a report from Councillors Woodhouse and Smales from attendance the consultation meeting for the LDF Core Strategy Further Consultation (enclosed);

The Chairman gave a brief report of the consultation event which was discussed.

(b) To consider a response to the LDF Core Strategy Further Consultation (enclosed):

The Council felt it could not give a response.

12/12 To consider the Personnel Committee working processes – staff appraisals and ERNLLCA’s advice (enclosed):

The pros and cons of the system of staff appraisals were discussed.

RESOLVED: (8 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention) that the Council does not proceed with this at present, proposed Councillor Grainger, seconded Councillor Leppington.

13/12 To consider the Parish Council’s Development Plan (enclosed) – omitted from budget meeting in error:

There was discussion regarding whether the Council wished to have a Parish Plan, work towards a Neighbourhood Plan or just have a simple development plan with key items regarding village services for the Council to work to.

RESOLVED: (All in favour) to work towards a simple development plan as set out by Councillor Sellick which would help set budgets in future years and to come to the next meeting with ideas or requirements for the village services, proposed the Chairman, seconded Councillor Couzens.

14/15 To consider that the annual NICEIC Certificate is required to the Toilets:

RESOLVED: (All in favour) to ask Maltby’s to undertake a NICEIC Certificate and re-lamping to the toilets, proposed Councillor Villani, seconded Councillor Mrs Taylor. The Council noted that an RCD test has not recently been undertaken as the Clerk needs some steps. The Clerk will ask Maltby’s whether she should be undertaken the RCD test.

15/12 To consider giving permission for a WI Gardening Club Project to maintain the planting of the stone troughs at the entrances to the Village-the WI can apply for funding for gardening projects:

A letter had been received from the Flamborough WI requesting to take on the planting of the troughs.

RESOLVED: (All in favour) to give permission to the WI as long as the appropriate public liability insurance and risk assessments are in place for their volunteers, proposed Councillor Sellick, seconded Councillor Mrs Johnson.

- 16/12 (a) To consider that the Parish Council is invited to a meeting on 10th January 2012 at 6.30pm in the back kitchen of Flamborough Village Hall. This is to discuss “The Edge” which has formed from the youth council and aims to open a Friday night 'cafe style' youth project at the Church Hall. The Edge (young people from the Village) has a constitution for the group, funding to get started (purchase equipment, install wifi and pay rent) and they have a small committee. The Edge will be looking to see if there is any support to continue the work which has been going on in the village over the last few years and need volunteers to take the project forward:**

The Clerk reported that Councillor Miss Nettleship had said she would attend. Councillor Mrs Johnson will also attend to gain information and bring it back to the next meeting.

- (b) To consider possible match funding for Youth Worker hours to help continue the project (approx costs may be in the region of £800-£1200 per year) should volunteers not be forthcoming:**

The Council will defer this until the Councillors had reported back to the next meeting.

- 17/12 To consider the enclosed correspondence from residents regarding the precept increase:**

A further letter had been received which was circulated to the Councillors.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk responds to the letters noting the contents, giving a short explanation and stating that budget meetings are advertised and open to the public to attend.

- 18/12 To consider a firm policy regarding flag flying due to the death of a Councillor/ex Councillor – Chairman, Councillor Woodhouse:**

RESOLVED: (All in favour) that a flag should be flown at half mast on the day of the funeral of the death of a Councillor or ex-Councillor to the best of knowledge that the person has served as a Councillor, proposed the Chairman, seconded Councillor Villani.

- 19/12 Allotments:**

- (a) To report on the Clerk’s monthly site visit and consider action re management:**

The Clerk and Councillor Smales had visited the site that day and had no matters to report.

- (b) To let vacant plots:**

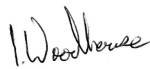
The Clerk was still in the process of letting one plot. After that, there were two and a half plots vacant.

- (c) To consider granting permission for sheds, greenhouses, etc:**

RESOLVED: To grant permission for a shed on plot 43 and retrospectively for a greenhouse on plot 12, proposed the Chairman, seconded Councillor Grainger.

The Council discussed the possibility of setting a bond for new tenants and also for a system of debt recovery following expenses incurred by the Council at the end of a tenancy. These will be considered at the next meeting.

Signed as a true and correct record
Councillor I Woodhouse, Chairman
Flamborough Parish Council



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