

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
4TH APRIL 2011, 7 PM, METHODIST CHAPEL, FLAMBOROUGH**

Present: Chairman, Councillor F Villani

Parish Councillors A Grainger, D Morton, V Leppington, I Woodhuse, J Crossland, R Sellick, Mrs K Johnson, Mrs M Sexton, P Couzens

3 electors of the Parish

ERYC Ward Councillor C Matthews

Libby Woodhouse (Clerk to the Parish Council) recorded the Minutes

1 Welcome and apologies for absence:

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting
Apologies were received from Councillor M Smales

2 Acceptance of Minutes of the last meeting of 12th April 2010:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of this meeting be approved and signed as a true and correct record.

3 Matters Arising from the Minutes:

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

4 Chairman's Report:

During my time in office Flamborough Parish Council has held 17 full meetings, at which we have dealt with 31 planning applications and reams of correspondence. Electors, at 6 of these meetings, have had the opportunity to speak to a Councillor privately when surgeries have been held. Four new Councillors have also been co-opted onto the Council.

The Council have been involved with numerous projects and through successful negotiations with East Riding of Yorkshire Council secured temporary toilets at the South Landing car park for the summer period 2010 and an application is now going through the process for the café to be re-built after an arson attack burnt it to the ground. The public toilets at the Dog and Duck car park has benefited from a refurbishment, so too has the Children's play area on the village green. Money has been spent on installing new equipment as well, as re-painting the existing. The Council liaised with the Community Pay Back Scheme and used their services to paint seats and fences around the village green as well as the playground equipment. Much needed repairs to the aging fence that surrounds the war memorial is being completed by contractors. We are also in the process of improving the Fishermen's Gardens; this is an ongoing project.

After strong representation and objections from the Parish Council over a high-level bridge, which Sustrans proposed to install at Danes Dyke; the outcome was to leave the Dykes in its natural state. I think most of us agree that this is a very positive outcome that the plans will not be going ahead.

The Council undertook a review of its health and safety compliance by commissioning a gap analysis of its current arrangements against legislative requirements. The result of the analysis was presented to the full Parish Council and was discussed in detail. Our clerk Libby has made further improvements by the introduction to a local risk register to document the Council's risks and action plans.

The lighting system for the Christmas lights at the Dog and Duck Square has been successfully brought up-to-date. The Council worked with the East Riding and a contractor for this to be made possible. We have also undertaken a street lighting inventory.

There have been Councillors involved in practical projects, flower boxes have been weeded and re-planted, the Tower Street bus shelter has been re-painted, trees have been crown lifted and dead ones removed at Crofts Hill and a crab apple tree has been removed from Cameron's Gardens.

A car park at the Bempton Lane allotment site had Council approval and now provides safe parking facilities for allotment holders; there are to be new gates installed on the site to replace existing ones and hopefully improve security.

The Council has entered negotiations with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council regarding the purchase of more land to the rear of Constable Road, locally known as Charlie's Gardens.

All work undertaken this year has been completed within budget and the precept has not been increased.

Councillors and the Clerk continue ongoing training with ERNLLCA, which provides parishioners with a professional and successful service.

I would like to say a big thank you to all Councillors who give their time freely, and express my gratitude to our Clerk, Libby for her professional commitment.

5 Further Business and Questions:

Councillor Woodhouse thanked Councillor Villani for his work as Chairman this year.

Mr Barnes, Flaen Close, asked where he could access information regarding the Parish Council. Information is available on the Notice Board at Camerons Gardens, the website and leaflets and Newsletters in the shops, Post Office, Library, Doctor's surgery.

Councillor Leppington wished that the Parish Council meeting should start immediately after the Parish Meeting instead of having to wait until 7.30pm. The Clerk will get legal advice however not all Councillors are present at the Parish Meeting and then would miss the start of the Parish Council meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.15 pm

Signed as a true and correct record Date
Chairman