

Ormesby St Margaret with Scratby Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 19th April 2021 at 7pm via ZOOM.

Present: Cllr K Wendt (Chair), Cllr. C Lee, Cllr. and Borough Councillor G Freeman, Cllr. Green, Cllr. R Hill, Cllr J Shrimplin, Cllr M Cheetham, Cllr. N Lee, Cllr S Bigg, Cllr. J Seggie Chris Neve (Parish Clerk).

In attendance: members of the public

The Chair explained the reason for the postponement of the meeting by a week was as a mark of respect for the late HRH Prince Philip and then welcomed Councillors and the Borough Councillor and members of the public. The Chair reminded all participants to remain on mute unless asked to speak.

1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from County Cllr. Ron Hanton.

2. To receive declarations of interest on matters on the agenda

Cllr G Freeman notified the meeting of his interest as a trustee of All Saints Parish Hall, planning, and The Carter Trust. Cllr. N Lee notified his interest in a planning application. Cllr C Lee notified her interest as a trustee of All Saints Parish Hall.

3. Public Participation – an opportunity for the public to address the council.

Following questions and a discussion, the following was advised/agreed: -

- Cllr. Freeman would arrange a survey and costing for the provision and emptying of litter bins in Scratby near to the Premier shop and/or seat near the Scratby sign as it was felt there was a need in that area. It was further agreed to add to the May Agenda for discussion.
- The adoption of a former telephone kiosk as a lending library was discussed and Cllr. Seggie advised she wanted to look further into possible grants and community funding. It was also suggested we could look at purchasing a second hand one and painting it in the correct colour paint.

Borough Councillors' Report

A written report was produced prior to the meeting and Cllr Freeman shared some of the content with the meeting, highlighting that the play equipment inspectors had reviewed all play equipment and refurbishment would start in May 2021, however the swing has been temporarily fenced off as it was considered dangerous in its current state. The report is available from the clerk if required.

County Councillor Report

A written report was received prior to the meeting from Cllr Hanton. This is available from the clerk if required.

4. Following a discussion around an action plan it was agreed to adopt one subject to getting the format correct, proposed by Cllr. Seggie and seconded by Cllr. Freeman. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th March 2021 were unanimously agreed as a true and correct record and would be signed by the chair in due course. Proposed by Cllr. C Lee and seconded by Cllr. N Lee.

5. Finance:

Following a discussion, it was agreed to continue with the NALC subscription. With regards to the Hedge at All Saints Parish Hall, Cllr Freeman advised that there were funds retained within the Council Bank accounts that were left over from the original funding to pay for this. He has the paperwork to support it which will be given to the Clerk. It was unanimously agreed to pay expenditure as already published with the agenda of £24,499.17 less 10% retention for the Munnings invoice, for invoices received and make a transfer of £20,000 from the savings account into the treasurer's current account. Proposed by Cllr. Hill and seconded by Cllr. Freeman.

6. Correspondence:

6.1 Jubilee wood notice re TPO. The Clerk highlighted that he had received a report that a tree had been illegally sawn down in Jubilee Wood and highlighted that there is a tree preservation order no 5 1981 protecting the whole wood. Notices have now been posted in the wood highlighting it is an offence to cut down, top, lop, uproot, wilfully damage, or wilfully destroy trees with a fine of up to £20,000.

6.2 Brown signs Beach Drive/Beach Road. County Cllr. R Hanton had escalated the request for signs at the junction of Beach road and Beach Drive to highlight there was no access to the beach, however the reply from the Highways engineer was that since there were already signs at the junction, he was not able to authorise any further due to legal concerns.

6.3 The Clerk advised the meeting that he had received a written resignation over the weekend from Cllr John Gingell and said he wanted to express his personal thanks for the support John Gingell had given him since joining as clerk. Cllr. K Wendt echoed her thanks for the work and support John had given especially for the work with the accounts and advised she had written to John and thanked him.

7. To note Planning applications as follows:

7.1 06/21/0105/F- Mr N Lee Single storey side an extension; fence to north-east boundary of property at 2 The Green Ormesby St Margaret. **GYBC would not grant an extension so comments were required by 6th April, however this has been subsequently agreed.**

7.2 06/21/0126/CU-Proposed change of use of agricultural land to a residential garden and timber fence to the west boundary at land adjoining rear of 27 Station Road Ormesby St Margaret NR29 3NH. **No Objection but no further buildings to be added in the future.**

7.3 06/21/0146/F-proposed detached self-build 4 bed dwelling on garden plot adjacent to 35 Yarmouth Road Ormesby NR29 3QE. **Objection to be raised as following. On from an historical application which was rejected the following should be noted:- enhanced width of access road for emergency vehicles will reduce size of plot, drainage at road end is poor and home to protected species joining into the pond next door (Dairy Farm), by building in front of no 35 and close to the road is not in keeping with the rest of properties along that section and permission for 6 houses at Dairy Farm are all set back in line with existing properties.**

7.4 06/21/0199/F-14 Beach road. The Clerk has asked for an extension, but not yet granted. After discussion Cllr. Freeman agreed to contact Chris Green in planning to discuss an extension so that we can fully discuss at the next meeting.

7.5 The chair allowed Cllr. Freeman who is Chairman of the Carter trust to discuss an attempt that is being made to block an access point at the site of The First and Last. As chair of the Carter Trust he will be objecting. During a previous attempt we as a council said we regretted it and were concerned with the water main that runs through the site and that we would not object subject to the water main being moved. However, since that time the main has not been moved. After discussion it was agreed that Cllr. Freeman and Cllr. C Lee would review the previous letters and that Cllr. Freeman would then write to highways with our concerns but not committing the council.

8. Bracecamp Hall.

Following the future resignation of Cllr. Cheetham and the resignation of John Gingell from the management committee, it was noted that Cllr. Bigg, Cllr. Seggie and Cllr. N Lee had expressed an interest in joining the management committee and at some stage may become trustees. It was pointed out that if they become a trustee, they would do so in their own personal capacity rather than as the council and would need to consider such things as indemnity insurance. Cllr. Seggie confirmed she was happy to take the lead at Bracecamp.

Request for memorial for the late Ron and Mary Graystone.

Following a discussion it was agreed the Clerk would write to the grandson asking for exact details of what type of memorial he wanted, where it would be placed and who would pay for it and it's subsequent upkeep.

9. Scratby Toilets.

Cllr. Wendt advised the meeting that following complaints from the public/parishioners the parish council have now arranged for the toilets to be open every day until the end of September. A further discussion took place regarding voting on future opening times and various opinions were aired, but it was subsequently agreed to place on the Agenda for the forthcoming F&GP meeting to review the costs and budget implications on a yearly basis as required.

10. Scratby Ramp.

Cllr. Wendt advised that a meeting took place at the ramp to review the works and detailed a snagging list which is available from the clerk if required. A discussion took place regarding councillor's views and as a priority it was agreed Cllr Freeman would visit the site in the morning to look at getting the metal stake removed as it is a potential safety issue. It was subsequently agreed as proposed by Cllr. Wendt and seconded by Cllr. N Lee that as we are contractually obliged, we pay the bill to Munnings Construction less the 10% retention that was agreed.

11. Neighbourhood plan.

Cllr. Seggie advised the survey was now closed and we had received 225 surveys, a return of over 10%, the results will be discussed at the next Neighbourhood plan meeting and then circulated via our social media and website pages. All returns are confidential so no names will be visible.

12. SAM2 camera.

Following the resignation of Cllr. J Gingell, Cllr. N Lee has volunteered to work with Cllr. R Hill to continue the work of moving and monitoring the cameras.

13. Memorial for COVID victim relatives.

Cllr. Wendt shared her thoughts that we should consider having a memorial within the parish to remember the victims of COVID-19 and their families. After discussion it was agreed to add to the May Agenda to discuss further if councillors could give thought to some concrete suggestions.

Prior to the meeting closing It was raised as to why the organising of village fete was not on the Agenda. The Clerk advised that he had seen a social media post where a parishioner had indicated he was sorting it out personally and hence why it wasn't included. After discussion it was agreed to place on the agenda for May.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Date of next meetings:

Annual Parish meeting 10th May 2021 at 7pm via zoom followed immediately by the May Parish Council meeting at 7:30

Kathryn Wendt

Chair

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