

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF BARMSTON & FRAISTHORPE
held in THE VILLAGE HALL, BARMSTON
on Wednesday 2nd August 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors: J Swift, K Manuel, S Brown and L Wiles

In Attendance: Ward Councillor J Evison, R Swift (Clerk) and 2 members of the public

1. Apologies: Councillors S Austerfield, M Marshall & G Riby and Ward Councillors J Owen & P Lisseter

2. Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests in relation to this Agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011. Councillor S Brown declared a pecuniary interest in item 5.1

3. Minutes of the Meetings on the 5th July 2017 were approved and signed.

4. Matters Arising

4.1 Notice Board Fraisthorpe The clerk has details of companies who can produce the signage and Councillor Manuel will measure the space available to enable the design to be produced and estimates obtained by the clerk.

4.2 Trees and usage Hollycroft Green

The Chairman closed the meeting to enable the members of the public to speak

Mr & Mrs Coles asked whether there were rules on who could use Hollycroft Green. The Chairman explained that the green had been transferred to the ownership of the parish council by the builders on completion of the construction of the properties on Hollycroft. There were no rules attached to the use of the area. Complaints about children playing on the green had been made and the Chairman said that a resident had mentioned to him that dogs were fouling the green and the owners were not picking up after them. Councillor Wiles reminded the meeting of a case some years ago when resident's child had been blinded in one eye after handling dog faeces. The clerk said that when she had lived in a property facing the green, children had played on the green and if they started to cause a nuisance to anyone, the residents would just ask them to stop what they were doing – all residents had respected their neighbours and had always addressed any concerns in a friendly way. The Chairman said that he had been told of the concern by some residents about children on the road and possible damage to park cars caused by children. The Chairman summed up the discussion saying that at this time there are no rules attached to the use of Hollycroft Green.

The Chairman re-opened the meeting

Discussion took place about the possibility of banning dogs from the Green and the rules and procedures attached to this which would have to be investigated. Further discussion took place about whether rules in general should be made concerning the usage of the Green. The meeting agreed unanimously that no rules should be introduced and the clerk agreed to put an article in the Village Voice again about dog fouling in general throughout the parish.

4.3 Item reference not allocated

4.4 Cluster Meeting The Chairman reported that he had attended this meeting which had predominantly been about the problems which most parishes in the East Coast & Wolds Ward had with speeding and other vehicle related issues. The current situation is that the police suffer from funding shortfalls and now no longer have a traffic department. They have one patrol car and there is a "Safer Roads" section which has 4 police and 4 civilians working for it. Inspector Robert Cocker had said at the meeting that he had 4 "specials" who might be able to help with speeding. With regard to problems about parking issues, the responsibility is split between the police and the East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) – the police only deal with "dangerous" situations and ERYC with "inconsiderate" ones. The problem arises as to the designation of what is "dangerous" or simply "inconsiderate". The Chairman reported that he had raised the issue with Paul Balti of ERYC about the "dangerous" state of some of our footpaths due to the ERYC no longer siding out as grass verges spread across them. He had said he would look into this and come and look at the paths but the Chairman has not heard anything from him as yet. The Chairman will write to Mr Balti to follow this up copying in our three ward councillors. Ward Councillor Evison said that the lack of money and resources came through as a clear message and she felt that the opportunity the meeting had given parishes to share their problems with each other had been useful. She

hoped to arrange another similar meeting next year when she hoped that parishes may be able to get together to contract for similar services to enable better prices and discounts to be obtained by bulk buying of services and materials. The Chairman thanked her for her work in organising the meeting.

4.5 Npower The clerk reported that she had sent the payment to Npower for the electricity in respect of the 2016/17 season and that she has heard nothing further about the 2015/16 incorrect charges which remain un-resolved. She has filed the papers again for the time being.

4.6 Parish Transport Champion Ward Councillor Evison outlined the scheme and the role of Parish Transport Champion. The clerk passed the documentation about the scheme to Mr Coles for his consideration.

4.7 Post Office The Chairman reported that he had tried to contact the postmaster at Marton Road but that on several occasions, his telephone calls were unanswered and had been unable to leave a message as their answerphone was full. He had spoken with the lady when she came the following week and had been told that a fault had developed with some of the equipment while she had been transporting it to the previous outreach site. She had reported the fault and an engineer had come out straight away but had been unable to repair it. It was noted by the council that she had not telephoned any of the contacts in Bramston to inform them of this or that she would not therefore be attending Barmston that day. Councillor Wiles confirmed to the meeting that the Village Hall are not paid for days when there is no outreach service. It was agreed that this is not right as the Village Hall is not able to take bookings for any other event which would interfere with the Outreach service each week and so should be paid whether Marten Road attend or not. The clerk was asked to write to the Post Office expressing concern about the recent lack of service and the non-payment for “no show” days. Ward Councillor Evison will also follow this up with her contacts. It was agreed that Councillor Brown should approach the new postmaster at Beeford to see whether he would be able to or interested in taking on the Outreach Service in Barmston.

5. Planning Applications

5.1 6 Holiday cottages to replace existing caravans at Southview Camping & Caravan Site, 70 – 72 Sands Lane, Barmston **Councillor Brown left the room.** The clerk reported that this planning application has now been approved by ERYC Planning. There being no further discussion concerning this item, **Councillor Brown was invited to return to the room.**

5.2 Creation of a Vehicular Access to Rectory Cottage, 24 Sands Lane, Barmston Approved

5.3 Breaches of Planning Permissions The clerk had written to ERYC as instructed and they had appointed one of their officers to look into it. The issue of two other possible breaches of planning were discussed and the clerk instructed to bring the documentation of them to the next meeting.

5.4 Parish Council Liaison Meeting Councillor Brown reported that the meeting had been very informative and useful. There are several changes to rules and procedures being considered at the moment and one area of concern to the parish council was the stopping of notifications of planning applications being sent to neighbouring properties. Councillor Brown said that this was being replaced by a number of public notices being posted around the area of an application in place of only one in the past.

5.7 Any New Applications Submitted Prior to Meeting and General Matters There were none

6. ERNLLCA

6.1 Being a Good Councillor Course and new guide. The clerk distributed copies of the 2017 edition of the “Good Councillor” guide to councillors present at the meeting.

7. Overhanging Trees & Hedges

Various areas of problems were highlighted:

- a) Councillor Manuel will follow up the issue of the trees overhanging the road near his property.
- b) The Chairman will cut back branches now overhanging footpaths between the Village Hall and the Church.
- c) It was noted that the hedge outside the new property in Sands Lane opposite the Church is jutting out over the footpath.
- d) Councillor Manuel will speak with Mr Warkup about the hawthorns hedges between Southview Cottages and the cliff top

- e) It was noted that the poplar trees on the perimeter of the allotments have grown very large – these are the responsibility of Glendon Estates.

8. Healthwatch East Riding of Yorkshire

The clerk reported that she had contacted Chris Mills of this organisation who is happy to come and speak to the residents of the parish and councillors alike. He was unable to come to this meeting and the clerk has arranged that he will come to the September one. As previously agreed, he will come at 6.30pm to talk to all residents and a separate flyer should be distributed to advertise the meeting as well as publicising it in the Village Voice. The clerk will action this.

9 &10. Fraisthorpe and Lissett Wind Farm Community Funds – taken together

The clerk reported that ERYC had now confirmed receipt of their required documentation from us and had passed it for payment to their finance department. The Chairman said that to avoid the necessity of applicants who had their grants turned down from the Fraisthorpe fund having to re-apply to the Lissett fund, he recommended that the parish council consider both funds as one item. This was agreed and the clerk distributed a summary of the applications received. The Chairman went through the applications one by one and his suggestions for which fund each application should be paid from. The Chairman reported that he had confirmed with Two Ridings that it would be in order to fund production costs of the Village Voice from the Fraisthorpe Wind Farm Small Grants Fund and the clerk distributed costings for this project. Councillor Manuel proposed and Councillor Brown seconded that the following grants be paid:

Fraisthorpe fund:	Barmston Methodist Church – gravel for access road	£80
	Barmston Parish Council – Village Voice productions costs	£400
	All Saints Church – ongoing costs re graveyard maintenance	£1020
Lissett fund	Barmston in Bloom – contribution towards costs of plants	£300
	Barmston Cricket Club – ground rental	£250
	All Saints Church – one off costs re graveyard maintenance	£700

The meeting approved the payments unanimously and the clerk was instructed to make the appropriate payments from the Fraisthorpe fund now and those from the Lissett fund as soon as the payment of the fund is received from the ERYC.

11. Neighbourhood Watch Report & General Police Matters

Councillor Brown reported that she had spoken to the camp site about the motorbike which had been speeding through the village and had told them that she had taken the number and would pass this on to the police. She had subsequently seen the bike being ridden through the village within the speed limit. She had also reported to the police the registration number of a truck collecting scrap which had been seen behaving suspiciously in Barmston. The Chairman thanked Councillor Brown for her actions.

12. H.A.R.T. AGM

The clerk informed the meeting of the details of this event which once again falls on the same day as the Gala. She will respond accordingly to H.A.R.T.

18. Financial Position and Cheques

The clerk reported that we have today £7405.42 in the bank before payment of the following cheques. This includes £1500 Fraisthorpe Wind Farm Small Grant Fund.

Per Schedule of Payments agreed at meeting

Office Depot	Stationery	£ 127.52
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Per Items 9 & 10 of Minutes above – to be paid now

Barmston Methodist Church	£ 80.00
All Saints' Barmston PCC	£1020.00
Barmston & Fraisthorpe Parish Council	£ 400.00
(no cheque needed – funds to be transferred from grant received to costs of stationery & printing re Village Voice)	

Per Items 9 & 10 of Minutes above – to be paid when funds received from ERYC

J Rawlins (Barmston in Bloom)	£ 300.00
Barmston Cricket Club (1998)	£ 250.00
All Saints' Barmston PCC	£ 700.00

19. Correspondence that the Chairman Deems is of an Urgent Nature

The clerk reported on an email from ERYC re Health OSC Recommendations Update. She will seek further clarification about this before the next meeting

20. Any Other Business that the Chairman Deems is of an Urgent Nature

The Chairman reminded councillors again that no items of Any Other Business can be decided upon at a meeting. **ONLY ITEMS ON THE AGENDA CAN BE DISCUSSED AND DECIDED UPON.** If councillors have anything they wish to discuss at the Parish Council meetings, they must be passed to the clerk anytime up until ten days before the next meeting.

The Chairman reported that the Main Fraisthorpe Wind Farm Fund was now open again for applications with a closing date of the 18th September. He asked all councillors to think about whether there are any projects that the Parish Council could apply to the fund to finance. If there are, he asked that they also obtain estimates for the costs and bring them to the next meeting to enable applications to be made before the deadline

Date and time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **WEDNESDAY, 13th SEPTEMBER 2017 at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING WILL BE PRECEDED BY A PUBLIC MEETING TO BE ADDRESSED BY CHRIS MILLS FROM HEALTHWATCH EAST RIDING. THIS MEETING WILL COMMENCE AT 6.30PM and CHRIS WILL STAY TO DISCUSS ANY ITEMS THAT ARISE FROM THE PUBLIC MEETING WITH PARISH COUNCILLORS AT THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AFTERWARDS.

Signed.....on.....

John H Swift – Chairman