MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF BARMSTON & FRAISTHORPE held in THE VILLAGE HALL, BARMSTON

on Wednesday 8th November 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors: J Swift (Chairman), S Austerfield, K Manuel, M Marshall and L Wiles

In Attendance: Ward Councillor P Lisseter and R Swift (Clerk)

- 1. Apologies: Councillor G Riby and Ward Councillors J Evison & J Owen
- 2. Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests in relation to this Agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011. J Swift pecuniary interest in item 14.

The following items were taken out of order at the agreement of all councillors

- **4.5** Post Office The clerk read out to the meeting correspondence received since the last meeting. She updated Ward Councillor Lisseter on recent events. Ward Councillor Evison is waiting for an update from Mr Gibson at the Post Office. It was agreed that this situation is totally unacceptable but we will wait to hear what Mr Gibson's update tells us. We have his contact details so the Chairman will follow up as needed. Ward Councillor Lisseter will follow this up as well.
- **7. ERYC Health OSC Recommendations Update** Councillor Brown was to have reported back about this at the last meeting but in her absence we have no further details. Ward Councillor Lisseter said that he is on the committee dealing with this and if we need any further information, he will gladly help. A response is still being waited for from the Secretary of State.

Ward Councillor Lisseter left the meeting after the Chairman expressed the council's thanks to him for attending

- 3. Minutes of the Meetings on 11th & 18th October 2017 were approved and signed
- 4. Matters Arising
- **4.1** <u>Notice Board Fraisthorpe</u> The Chairman will visit the signwriters before the next meeting
- **4.2** Trees and usage Hollycroft Green Councillor Austerfield will look into a replacement tree for the green
- **4.3** <u>Telephone Box, Barmston</u> The clerk confirmed that she had written to the volunteers to maintain the box telling hem we would be in touch again as soon as the Post Office (PO) hand it over to us. She then read out the email received from the PO after they received our signed contract. This stated that they were holding the contract and our cheque on file until such time as they could repair the faulty light in the box. There is a problem about who can do what in their engineering department and they currently have no employees who are allowed to carry out this work. In accordance with the PO's requirement, the clerk had written to Neil Marsay of the Yorkshire Ambulance Service (the suppliers of our defibrillator cabinet) to ask him to confirm that it complies with the standards as stipulated by the PO and to also let us know whether they either have staff who could move it into the box or recommend someone who could. She read out the response from Mr Marsay to both of these points which are both in the negative. It was agreed that we will wait until we hear

from the PO that they are handing over the telephone box to us and then re-address the problem of the defibrillator. It was further agreed that the Chairman chase up Mr Marsay re the fault which is causing the fuse to trip. This must be resolved now that the weather is turning colder.

- **4.4** Wind Farm Funds The Chairman distributed a draft document produced as agreed at the last meeting. He read out to the meeting the rules laid down by Two Ridings for the Fraisthorpe Small Grant Small Grant in the contract we had entered into with them. These set out the type of items which can be claimed for and various rules governing the distribution of the fund. It was agreed unanimously by the council that the draft document be adopted with the addition of the section from the Two Ridings contract setting out the rules as described above.
- **4.5** Post Office Taken at the beginning of the meeting.
- **4.6** Travellers Fraisthorpe and Road to Auburn The Chairman said that he and the clerk had driven down the road and that there was a strip of land left on each side of the road between the ditches and the tarmac. They had also driven down the Lissett to Burton Agnes road to compare and there are similar strips there although generally a little wider. Councillor Wiles expressed surprise that the instructions issued to the clerk to write to ERYC about this had not been followed. The clerk said that the first thing the council had agreed was that the Chairman look into this and as a result of that, it was not felt appropriate to contact ERYC. It was agreed that councillors should inspect the roads before the next meeting and a decision be made then as to any further action that may be taken.
- **4.7** Street Lighting The Chairman asked if anyone wished to comment on this item. Nobody did.

5. Planning Applications

- **5.1** Proposed New Dwelling, 56 Sands Lane, Barmston Nothing to report
- **5.2** Erection of a Two Storey Extension to 1 Bloomfield Way, Barmston A site meeting had taken place to view this proposal. The original Proposed Elevation drawing which had been considered at the Site Meeting has since been replaced and the councillors viewed the complete set of documentation concerning this proposed development. After discussion, it was agreed unanimously that the parish council recommend approval of the application.
- **5.3** Breaches of Planning Permissions The Chairman reported that the clerk had been unable to trace any planning application concerning the storage unit at Wayside but that she had traced information showing that no application had been submitted or needed. The Chairman was of the opinion that the old structure was to be demolished upon completion of the new one but no documentary evidence had been traced to verify this.
- **5.4** Any New Applications Submitted Prior to Meeting and General Matters There were none.

6. ERNLLCA

A survey was completed concerning the Being a Good Councillor courses run by ERNLLCA. The council felt that the existing evening events are preferable to an all day one and the clerk was duly instructed to complete the survey accordingly. There are no nominations to NALC's Smaller Councils' Committee. The clerk informed the council that Sharon Hodsman, the Administration Officer of ERNLLCA will be leaving in December. The Council asked the clerk to thank her for all her help and to wish her good luck for the future.

7. ERYC OSC Recommendations Update

Taken at the beginning of the meeting

8. Neighbourhood Watch, General Police Matters & Motorbikes

Councillor Austerfield reported that she has not had any further complaints about motorbikes or heard of any crimes in the area. She said there are a number of scams going around which people should be aware of. The clerk reported that she has received the Anti Social Behaviour statistics for the six months from April to September which show no incidents in the parish.

9. Festive Lighting

After some discussion, Councillor Riby proposed and Councillor Marshall seconded the proposal that the clerk write and invite Mr John Hesp to switch the lights on at a date she sets after Councillor Wiles informs her of the date of the Lion's Carols Concert. The proposal was carried unanimously. The clerk is to complete the ERYC documentation. The Chairman asked Councillor Wiles if he would, as always, arrange for the purchase of the Christmas tree. Councillor Wiles does not wish to do so this year and so the Chairman will contact the nursery and liaise with the Warkup family.

11. Travellers, Fraisthorpe

The clerk read out ERYC's officer's email concerning this. She expressed the parish council's thanks to Ward Councillor Evison for her prompt action re this. Councillor Wiles reported that land on either side of the road to Auburn Farm has been ploughed right up to the edge of the tarmac. The Chairman will investigate. Councillor Wiles proposed and Councillor Marshall seconded the proposal that the clerk write to ERYC to express concern for the safety of traffic especially with the increase since the opening of the café at Auburn Farm. The proposal was passed unanimously.

12. Hydrocarbon Exploration

The clerk had received a further request for details of any recent correspondence received from Friends of the Earth. She had responded that there was none.

13. ERYC Planning Effectiveness

The clerk read out an email received from Aldbrough Parish Council concerning ERYC's apparent ignoring of comments by parish councils to planning application submissions. It was agreed that the clerk should reply stating that problems exist in differentiating between ignoring our requests or disagreeing with us – we could ask for reasons why they come to a different decision to our recommendations – at the moment, it would appear to be a waste of time in responding to planning consultations if our comments are to be ignored.

14. Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment

The clerk will distribute this to all councillors for them to respond to as they see fit.

15. Hamilton Hill Road, Barmston - Public Use and Verges

A report had been passed to the Chairman concerning some recent posts which had been erected on a verge outside of a property on Hamilton Hill Road. The Chairman explained problems which had occurred re this in the past. He has spoken with the resident who has assured him that the posts comply with current regulations and, in addition, that the local farmer has confirmed that they present no difficulties to the free movement of his farm vehicles on and off his land. The clerk was asked to write to ERYC for confirmation that the posts do not contravene any regulations. The clerk

was further asked to write to ERYC Highways concerning the parking of cars in the turning circle at the end of Hamilton Hill Road.

16. Defibrillator

The Chairman reported on Neil Marsay's visit to inspect the problem with the power supply to the defibrillator. The problem is not resolved and he will return with a colleague to further inspect it. Meanwhile, there is not a problem as the power is only required when the temperature drops to below +3 degrees centigrade.

17. Financial Position and Cheques.

The clerk distributed copies of the half year accounts. In the absence of Councillor Manuel, Councillor Wiles checked the bank reconciliations for the past two months against the cash book and duly signed them as being correct. The clerk reported that total funds in hand, after payment of the following payments, will be £5995.48.

Cheques drawn and signed:-

ERNLLCA	Conference Fee for J Swift	51.00
R Swift	3 months net fees & expenses	352.78
HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE on clerk's fees	78.00

18. Clerk's Contract of Employment

As the Chairman has declared a pecuniary interest in this item, he must leave the room and this will leave the meeting non-quorate so the item has to be carried forward to next month's meeting.

- **13. Correspondence that the Chairman Deems is of an Urgent Nature** There was none that cannot be carried forward to next month's meeting
- 14. Any Other Business that the Chairman Deems is of an Urgent Nature
 14.1 Village Hall Representative The clerk apologised for not including this on the agenda but as it is an internal matter only, the Chairman agreed to take this item now. Councillor Riby proposed and Councillor Wiles seconded that Councillor Marshall continue for the ensuing year as the Parish Council's representative on the

Marshall continue for the ensuing year as the Parish Council's representative on the Trustees of the Village Hall. Councillor Marshall signified her willingness to accept and the proposal was passed unanimously

14.2 <u>Street Lights</u> Councillor Wiles wished to report two street lights which were not operating. The Chairman asked him if he had duly reported them to the number on the lamp standards. He had not and refused to do so as he maintained that the clerk is paid to do this.

15. Date and Time of Next Meeting

THERE WILL BE A SITE MEETING ON LAND BEHIND 56 SANDS LANE ON WEDNESDAY, 18th OCTOBER 2017 at 10.30am

THE NEXT FULL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY,

8th NOVEMBER 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Signed	on
John H Swift – Chairman	