

Strensall with Towthorpe Parish Council

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Chairman Councillor Keith Marquis

MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 10th May 2016 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall, Strensall

PRESENT

Cllrs Marquis (Chair) Chapman, Fisher, Baxter, Maher, Hill, Chambers, Mattinson, Plant, Bolton, Mrs J Smith,
Ward Cllr Helen Douglas

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Harvey-Walker and Ms T Flannery
Ward Cllr P Doughty

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Chambers and Smith declared a personal interest in item 7(d)(xiii) as they were both on the Management Committee of the Village Hall

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated beforehand. These were approved and signed **Resolution 100516/01**

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ward Cllr Douglas reported that City Council have allocated two new dog bins for Strensall and asked for the preferred locations. Cllr Chapman asked if it would be possible for the damaged litter bins to be replaced or repaired and Cllr Douglas agreed to investigate.

5. ONGOING ISSUES

(a) **Benches**

The locations chosen for the provision of two benches are to the side of the War Memorial and at the top of Moor Lane, the latter to have a dedication plaque. The Clerk to progress the purchase and fitting with daffodil bulbs planted along that stretch of road. **Resolution 100516/02**

(b) **Footpath Brochure**

Cllr Plant passed round the final draft and it was agreed that Walk 7 should be included with a rider as to possible difficulties whilst ongoing

work was carried out by City of York Council but that this should not delay the publication of the brochure **Resolution 100516/03**

(c) **Damaged Village Sign on Lords Moor Lane**

The Clerk reported that she was awaiting a further estimate from a local builder and was instructed to contact the Insurance Company to suggest that they organize the repair to the PC satisfaction. If the estimates obtained are not agreed **Resolution 100516/04**

(d) **Neighbourhood Plan**

The Chairman confirmed that the Consultant Richard Borrows and a colleague would attend the next meeting of the working party to advise. The cost of £250 would only be payable if his services were not required. The Clerk was asked to contact Kathryn Jukes and explain that time constraints made it difficult for her to attend the same meeting and question the costs. There would be a stall at the Carnival and volunteers needed to man this

(e) **Speed Signs**

Cllr Mattinson reported that he had researched portable signs, data collection units and the battery life. It was agreed that at least one would be useful and Cllr Mattinson agreed to speak to Tony Clarke at CYC Highways to see if one could be provided instead of a static one in York Road. The Parish Council could then consider the purchase of a further sign if it proved useful. **Resolution 100516/05**

(f) **Public Rights of Way**

The Clerk had received an update from City Council on outstanding issues and this was noted.

(g) **Defibrillator**

Cllr Smith reported that she was awaiting a date for training and wished then to notify people through Outreach. The perspex was badly scratched and in need of new glass. The cost of macrolon (Perspex) replacement is £300 but the meeting agreed that toughened glass would enhance the look of the kiosk. Cllr Smith was requested to chase Oxford Glass and a budget of £500 was approved in order that this could be progressed. **Resolution 100516/06**

(h) **Summer Newsletter**

The Clerk and the Chairman had prepared a summer newsletter and this was approved for publication once Cllr Smith had amended the insert regarding the defibrillator. **Resolution 100516/07**

6. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Chairman reported on the applications received and decisions made. The recommended responses were approved. **Resolution**

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7 FINANCE

(a) the end of year report by the Internal Auditor was discussed and approved **Resolution 100516/09**

(b) the Annual Governance Statement was discussed and approved **Resolution 100516/10**

(c) the recommendations of the Finance Committee were approved and the following grants agreed:

Kidz Klub £1,000 Carnival £800 Village Hall blinds £560

The grant from Yorventure required 10% repayment to Yorwaste and this was agreed **Resolution 100516/11**

(d) The following invoices were approved for payment **Resolution 100516/12**

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| (i) Clerk's salary | £ | SO |
| (ii) Talktalk mobile | £7.50 | DD |
| (iii) R Cartmell grass cutting | £656.00 | |
| (iv) R Cartmell cemetery maintenance | £220.00 | |
| (v) D Carrington | £82.50 | |
| (vi) Locality membership renewal | £50.00 | |
| (vii) Stationery and trophies | £39.68 | |
| (viii) 1-2-3 Reg renewal | £10.76 | |
| (ix) Staples | £27.15 | |
| (x) Ludus Leisure | £966.00 | (insurance) |
| (xi) BT telephone | £76.42 | |
| (xii) Kidz Klub Grant | £1,000.00 | |
| (xiii) Hillarys Blinds (VH grant) | £560.00 | |
| (xiv) Carnival | £800.00 | |
| (xv) Yorwaste 10% reclaim | £2,015.00 | |

Receipts

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| Precept | £18,000.00 |
| VAT reclaim | £737.13 |
| Cemetery | £145.00 |

Account Balances:

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| Treasurers Account | £38,214.90 |
| Cemetery Account | £7,449.98 |
| Contingency Account | £108,906.91+ £15,000 Bond |
| Premium Account | £18,379.70 + £10,000 bond |

(e) The Accounts statements and associated documents in support were discussed and approved for the Annual Return **Resolution 100516/13**

(f) A working group of four councillors – DB ,KM, JS and JC was set up to put forward suggestions for expenditure of S106 funds

- (g) Pension Regulations – Cllr Bolton had researched this and no action required at this time

8 CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) letter from resident of Pasture Close reporting further criminal damage
- (b) quotation for replacement fencing along the side of the Village Hall car park
- (c) final layout, colours and design for Northfields Playground
- (d) Audit report from Mrs R Prins

9 ITEMS FOR JUNE MEETING

- (a) Footpaths brochure
- (b) update on Northfields Playground
- (c) Carnival
- (d) Neighbourhood Plan
- (e) Vehicle Activated speed signs

10. NEXT MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 14th June 2016 at 7.15pm

Signed Chairman 14th June 2016