

Minutes of a meeting of Sutton on the Forest Parish Council held on Wednesday 26 September 2018 at 7.30pm in the Grey Village Hall.

Present: Councillor Anderson

Councillor England Councillor Perks Councillor Rankin

Councillor Shearman (Chair)

In Attendance: Sue Bracewell (clerk)

County Councillor Patmore (NYCC)

Three members of the public.

# **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Crossley and Cllr Cookman

#### 18/87 **Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

# 18/88 Minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2018

18/89 The minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2018 had been circulated. Cllr England disagreed with Minute 18/66 and also pointed out that the request for support for the village Armistice celebration had been omitted. The Armistice celebration was recorded at minute 18/72.3. These corrections were unsupported. The minutes were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Shearman and seconded by Cllr Anderson. A vote was taken, Cllrs Shearman, Anderson and Rankin voted for the proposal, Cllr England voted against and Cllr Perks abstained.

## 18/90 Matters arising

- 90.1 Update on mobile mast. The contact provided by the responsible Minister via Kevin Hollinrakes office had not responded to our request which was disappointing. Cllr Shearman to follow up and report to next meeting.
- 90.2 Update on proposed bus shelter on Carr Lane. It had been suggested to the two residents to put a proposal together for Council to discuss. They have been encouraged to continue to complain to Yorkshire Water. Paper 48/18 refers to the sewage problem. Cllr England suggested it might be worth considering moving the bus stop further down the road to the other side of the farm entrance. Cllr Patmore suggested putting the problem to Highways to see if they had a solution to the problem.
- 90.3 Cllr England's proposal on the arrangements for the RCAF service in 2019 were discussed. Proposed Cllr England, no seconder. This cannot be taken forward.

- 90.4 Cllr Shearman's proposal for the arrangements for the RCAF service in 2019 was discussed. Proposed Cllr Shearman, seconded Cllr Rankin. A vote was taken, Cllrs Shearman, Rankin, Perks and Anderson were in favour, Cllr England voted against.
- 90.5 The use of email as a means of communication between Councillors was discussed. New emails had been set up from the village website and these were working for Cllr Rankin, Cllr Perks and Cllr Shearman. Unfortunately the BT system used by Cllrs Anderson and Crossley would not allow the sending of emails from the new address, so they will keep their existing emails for council business. Cllr England asked that his email could include his initial as well as his surname. This was agreed.
- 90.6 Cllr Shearman proposed that if paper copies are required councillors must go and collect from parish clerk. After some discussion it was agreed that Councillors will use 'reply to all' when responding to emails. With this in place Cllr England agreed to the continued use of email.

### 18/91 Public Participation

- 91.1 Henry Morgan pointed out that whilst he appreciates the work done by the Council he felt that the time spent is unproductive. He did not understand why we get so caught up in points of order rather than dealing with more important issues.
- 91.2 David Pidd had just moved into the village and was Interested in understanding the Parish Council and where it sits in scheme of things. Cllr Patmore explained the hierarchy of local government.

## 18/92 Report from North Yorkshire County Council

92.1 Councillor Patmore advised that a new Assistant Chief Constable had just been appointed. Thirsk and Malton Constituency area committee is now set up and has met twice. Vehicle activated signs for villages has been looked at. Villages will be allowed to purchase them with certain conditions in place. Devolution for Yorkshire was still on the cards. Whole of Yorkshire talking about it except Sheffield and Doncaster. Nothing likely to happen until after Brexit. Our local MPs are against it.

### 18/93 Report from Hambleton District Council

93.1 Cllr Cookman had sent apologies.

#### 18/94 Finance

94.1 The following payments were approved, proposed Cllr Shearman, seconded Cllr Perks.

| 31.7.18 | BACS | 30/18  | D S Marwood   | Grass cutting          | 252.00   |
|---------|------|--------|---------------|------------------------|----------|
| 31.7.18 | BACS | 150/18 | Ashwood Trees | Tree surgery           | 200.00   |
| 9.8.18  | BACS | 150/18 | YLCA          | Training               | 45.00    |
| 16.9.18 | BACS | 30/18  | D S Marwood   | Grass cutting          | 676.00   |
| 16.9.18 | BACS | 40/18  | D S Marwood   | Moor End grass cutting | 200.00   |
| 16.9.18 | BACS | 40/18  | TCV           | Moor End drainage work | 2,082.48 |
| 25.9.18 | 257  | 70/18  | S M Bracewell | Clerks salary          | 1,359.60 |
| 25.9.18 | 258  | 80/18  | S M Bracewell | Clerks Expenses        | 115.63   |
| 1.10.18 | BACS | 70/18  | HMRC          | Clerks PAYE            | 154.80   |

- 94.2 The financial update had been circulated and was noted.
- 18/95 A report on Moor End had been received from John Smale and was discussed. It was agreed that he could purchase the trees and engage TCV to do the work. Proposed Cllr Shearman, seconded Cllr Rankin. We may need to email Martin Hammond again to ask his advice on the dredging work. Cllr Shearman to discuss with John on his return from holiday.
- 18/96 A notice had been received from Land Registry to register easements on access to land used by Grace Nodes and Christine Withyman. This would permit continued access via Moor End by road vehicles. We have until 11 October to object. Cllr England pointed out that the land in question is a Public footpath not a Public right of way. It was agreed to register our objection. Cllr Rankin agreed to draft an objection and share it with councillors next week.
- 18/97 A proposal for lighting outside the village hall had been received from John Smale. It was agreed to support this work. Proposed Cllr Shearman, seconded Cllr England.
- 18/98 A request had been received for support for the village Armistice Celebrations. It was agreed to give £250 to this project to cover the cost of the refreshments. It was suggested that it could be promoted through the school. Proposed Cllr Anderson, seconded Cllr Perks.
- 18/99 Correspondence received from Cllr England was discussed. Cllr Shearman passed his responses to two of the letters to Cllr England.
- 18/100 Cllr Anderson commented that he was not happy with the language used in correspondence referring to the Chairman and the Clerk. Cllr Perks was equally disturbed by the comments and did not agree with the assertions. She supports the chairman and clerk. The allegations have no basis in reality. Cllr Rankin also supported the views of Cllrs Anderson and Perks. After considerable debate these matters were laid to rest.

#### 18/101 Planning

101.1 The planning update as circulated was noted. Cllr Rankin was thanked for his contributions to our planning process.

#### 18/102 Reports from village organisations

- 102.1 Village Hall no report
- 102.2 Newsletter thanks were recorded to Michael Kitchen on his first issue, many positive comments had been received.
- 102.3 NYCC Hambleton County Area Committee, this had now closed and been replaced with the Thirsk & Malton Constituency Area cttee.
- 102.4 Easingwold & Villages Forum the forum had been asked to accept South Hambleton Shale Gas committee into their group. Broadband and mobile signal is still an issue of concern that they are looking at.
- 1.1. Playing Field Cllr Perks reported 184 entries for 10k run. Brownies ran the tea tent very successfully. The number of helpers had been down this year and more help

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| 18/103  | Cllr England advised that the next Hambleton Local Council Association meeting would be held on 17 October in Northallerton. |  |  |  |  |
| 18/104  | Date of next meeting   |  |  |  |  |
|   | Next meeting Wednesday 14 November 2018 7.30pm in the Grey Village Hall  |  |  |  |  |
| There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40pm. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Signed:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Date:   |  |  |  |  |  |
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Agenda item for November: Open Spaces Society membership

for next year would be appreciated. Apparently, the basketball nets have been broken

off of their posts.