



Friston Parish Council

Minutes of the Council meeting 18th July 2022 held in Friston Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs M Caplin (in the Chair), S Jackson, C Brooks, R Brooks, M. Mahony, M. Schedrin, A. Simpson and M. Shipman

In attendance: Cllrs Russ Rainger (ESC), Tom Daly (ESC), Phillippa Welby (Clerk), Tom Mann (Reclaim the Rain project) and 11 members of the public

Minutes

43/22 Apologies for absence – Cllr Carlaw

44/22 Declaration of Interest & Requests for Dispensations – Cllrs C Brooks, Jackson and Simpson for 50/22.

45/22 Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting 13th June 2022 were approved.

46/22 Open Forum – A member of the public raised the overgrown verges on the Aldeburgh Rd that are obscuring the path. Cllr Simpson and the Clerk have reported this to Highways who have responded with ‘they are monitoring them’. Cllr Simpson has now reported this with photographs to Cllr Reid (SCC).

Another member of the public asked that the Clerk advertise the position of Parish Recorder/Historian for Friston and Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator. Both positions are vacant currently. These will be advertised in the Swift. They also mentioned that the Jubilee Shelter needed a clean out. The Clerk will ask the Village Hall cleaner if they would like to undertake the work.

They also asked whether the ditch by the Village Hall could be cleared. This is not straightforward as the ditch and culvert are the responsibility of the Environment Agency but the Council agreed that it needs doing and to investigate it. Cllr Shipman reported that the EA had been in the village recently surveying the ditch.

They also requested that the Village Hall needed weeding around the boundary.

Another member of the public requested a traffic mirror for the end of Church Rd on the Saxmundham Rd. The Clerk explained that Highways do not endorse traffic mirrors but will investigate the possibility.

47/22 Reclaim the Rain – Tom Mann from the Reclaim the Rain project team gave an introduction to the project – a sustainable water management reusing water before it becomes a problem in the village. Friston has been chosen along with five other locations across Norfolk and Suffolk. There will be small workshops in the autumn to start the project with interested parties to gather interest and ideas.

48/22 County and District Councillor Reports Cllr Reid had circulated his report before the meeting. Cllr Daly highlighted some items in the District Council report which was also circulated before the meeting.

49/22 SASES Update – Cllr Mahony gave an update from the SASES group. They have been granted a judicial review on all six grounds of the application. The hearing will be in November. The statement of reply from the Secretary of State is expected in August.

Both SCC and ESC have responded to the informal consultation on the proposed Norwich to Tilbury power line.

A group of MPs (OffSET) have been tasked with responding to and reviewing the Government’s Offshore Network Transmission Review. However, their suggestions could involve resurrecting SCD 2 which would mean more infrastructure at Friston.

The ONTR which includes the Holistic Network design is not much help for Friston as round four of the seabed leases are not off the East Anglian Coast.

SASES are asking ESC to not support any more power infrastructure in East Suffolk.

50/22 Planning Application DC/22/2286/FUL – The Parish Council have no objections to this application.

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51/22 Footpaths – Cllr Jackson thanked the Reeves for maintaining the footpaths across their land. Cllr Shipman met with Annette Robinson from SCC PROW team. SPR want to make minor changes to footpath route diversions. They want to close path 6 earlier in construction.

52/22 Highways – Cllr Simpson is corresponding with Cllr Reid on the Aldeburgh Rd verges.

53/22 Village Hall – The Council agreed to the quote for the work from LST for the remedial and preventative damp work for the Hall. Cllr Shipman will organise with LST. There is no news on the Jubilee Grants for Village Halls yet.

54/22 Bus Shelter – There has been no response from the original builder who was interested in the bus shelter project. It was suggested that the Council try Roger Gladwell construction and Barry Smith builders for quotes. The Village Sign is now completed and the Clerk circulated a photo. Clerk to organise getting it re-sited further forward on the grass.

55/22 Allotments – There still two plots available. The pump has a new valve and is now working correctly. The grass is due to be cut on the allotments in the near future.

56/22 Accounts – The accounts were agreed by the Council and it was also agreed to pay the Clerk by Standing Order.

57/22 Correspondence – The Clerk had received correspondence regarding the working hours on the building site at Nethercote. Clerk to write to Planning department at ESC.

58/22 Date of Next Parish Council Meeting – 5th September 2022

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