



Friston Parish Council

Minutes of the Council meeting 25th April 2022 held in Friston Village Hall.

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

In attendance: Cllr Andrew Reid, Phillippa Welby (Clerk), 4 members of the public

Minutes

1/22 Apologies for absence – None

2/22 Declaration of Interest & Requests for Dispensations - None

3/22 Minutes of the previous meeting: Cllr Schedrin asked that an explanation of the Friendly Bench to be added to the minutes. Minutes accepted.

4/22 Open Forum – Alan Thomas has refurbished the Village Hall Jubilee clock. It needs to be wound every seven days but not overwound. It was agreed to hang it in the entrance hall so it does not interfere with events being held in the hall as the tick is quite loud. There is a history of the clock to be hung by it for those interested. Mr Thomas will hang the clock.

Mr Richard Campbell introduced himself to the Council as a potential candidate for co-option. The Clerk asked him to submit a short statement as to why he feels he would make a good Parish Cllr so it can be circulated to the other Cllrs. There is one other person interested in the vacancy so there will be an item on the next Parish Council agenda to potentially co-opt someone.

5/22 County and District Councillor Reports Unfortunately none of the District Cllrs were able to make this evening's meeting but the Clerk had forwarded Cllr Cooper's report.

Cllr Reid had submitted a report prior to the meeting but the Clerk was yet to circulate. One of the items in the report he wanted to highlight was contamination of recycling blue bins with glass. The County Council are urging people to put glass in appropriate recycling bins as it costs £500000 a year to separate glass from recycling.

6/22 SASES Update – Consent has been granted for the SPR windfarm projects. SASES are now considering an application for Judicial Review. The deadline for this is the 12th May. Cllrs Shipman and Mahony have met with officers from ESC. Currently they have no schedule or information from SPR. ESC officers will contact SPR. They have also asked them to find the details of funds available from SPR. Cllr Mahony would also like to see a consultation to find out what the community's needs are to enable funds to be used in a constructive way. Communication is going to be key during the development and it would be useful to have a quick way for residents to report issues to ESC and SPR.

The Council thanked Cllrs Mahony and Shipman and the other SASES members for the all work done during the planning applications.

7/22 Planning DC/22/0069/FUL - Demolition of existing building, repair and underpin of party wall, construction of 2 storey replacement dwelling – Nethercote, Low Rd, Friston – re-consultation - The Clerk explained that the only change to the application was the removal of first floor windows and the lowering of the roof eaves. It was agreed that these changes have not changed the previous submissions from the Council and the Council still recommended the application for refusal.

8/22 Bus Shelter – The builder has yet to submit a quote. Cllr Mahony asked whether there was an update on the wooden village sign. Clerk to chase. Cllr Simpson informed the Council that grass is going to be cut on the Green on Saturday.

9/22 Queen's Jubilee – The Clerk reported that a group had been formed to arrange an event on the Sunday to compliment the beacon lighting event that takes place on the Thursday evening.



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10/22 Footpaths – Cllr Jackson reminded the Council that the Queen’s birthday bench near the allotments will need to be moved when the SPR developments begin.

11/22 Highways – The ANPR camera has been installed on the Saxmundham Rd where the VAS machine usually is. This is the joint project from SCC and Suffolk Police. It will be there for about a week. Friston is on the list to have the camera again in the future. This camera will collect registration numbers and those drivers breaking the speed limit will receive a letter from Suffolk County Council and Suffolk Police.

12/22 Village Hall – The Clerk had circulated the revised rates of hire for the Village Hall and Cllrs agreed them. The Village Hall committee will meet in the near future and begin to market the Hall. Cllr Shipman is meeting with another builder to get a quote for the damp alleviation work.

13/22 Culvert – Cllrs Mahony and Shipman are meeting with the County Council on the 29th April. They will discuss the culvert through the village, asking whether SPR can clean it out before work begins.

14/22 Allotments – all rents are in.

15/22 Accounts – The authorisation to pay was agreed and the monthly accounts were signed by the Chair.

16/22 Correspondence – There was a request to park on the Village Green which was agreed by the Council.

17/22 Date of Next Parish Council Meeting – **23rd May Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Council, 13th June Parish Council meeting.**