

Minutes of the Roos Parish Council Meeting held in the Memorial Institute, Roos on Monday 8th April 2013

Present: Cllr D Winter(Chairman), Cllr A Coupe, Cllr D Craggs, Cllr A Dodson, Cllr K Tyson and Cllr J Ward.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs W Ainley, J Cracknell and B Smales.

1. Broadband update

The Chairman welcomed Steve Howdle of ERYC who gave a comprehensive update on the current position with regard to the Local Broadband Plan which aimed to provide reliable broadband across the whole of the East Riding by 2015 and superfast broadband to a wide audience during the same period.

He explained that the “Broadband East Yorkshire” project would be appointing one lead contractor to upgrade the wholesale broadband infrastructure in the proposed intervention area in which the parish had been included and to date a total of 60 residents and businesses in the parish had responded to the project’s broadband survey. He also confirmed that the supplier procurement process was expected to commence within the next week or so and it was agreed that Mr Howdle attend a meeting of the Council sometime after September to give a further update on progress with the proposed implementation of the scheme.

The Chairman then welcomed two representatives from Connexin a regional company who focus on delivering high speed fibre to the premises and fibre over wireless broadband to places traditional providers cannot reach at superfast speeds who confirmed that it was the company’s intention to provide such service in the near future in Roos and a verbal estimate of the typical costs involved for set up and broadband provision to interested parties was given.

The Chairman on behalf of the Council thanked all three for their attendance and presentations and commented that it was hoped that the parish would be served by a much improved broadband service as early as possible.

2. Consideration of Councillor’s declaration of interests

There were no changes declared by members to the register of interests.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 11th March 2013

These were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the minutes

4. Winter weather grant

The Chairman reported that the Playing Fields committee had now applied for funding for a new sign at the playing fields site.

5. Unauthorised commercial activity at Kenby Farm Owstwick

The Clerk reported that he had been advised by ERYC that a planning application had been received for commercial activity at the above location which as yet had not been validated and that it was likely that the Council would be consulted in the near future.

6. Highway matters

A reply was received from ERYC advising that the potholes in Pilmar Lane leading into Beechwood Views had been added to its maintenance schedule for attention and the Chairman reported that he had arranged a site meeting with ERYC to view three areas on Rectory Road which it was considered required attention.

7. Tunstall Coastal Defence Scheme

An update received from ERYC confirmed that approval was awaited from Natural England under the early entry scheme to enable the undertaking of site investigations at the landowner's farm to proceed and that it was understood that the agent acting for the landowner had recently submitted an application which could take up to five weeks to determine.

8. East Riding Draft Local Plan

An acknowledgement was received from ERYC confirming receipt of the Council's comments on the latest consultation proposals.

Correspondence

9. Highway surface dressing

Confirmation was received from ERYC that Main Street in Roos and Quaker Road at Owstwick would be surface dressed this year.

10. Influence Educate and Have a Go event

A letter was received from Graham Stuart MP which gave details of the above event to be held in Withernsea on the 11th May which aimed to get as many people as possible to try hands on only CPR and using a defibrillation machine in order to improve the survival rate of out of hospital cardiac arrest and promoting the work of the Community First Responder teams. It was agreed to display the accompanying poster highlighting the event in the notice boards.

11. Westermost Rough Offshore Wind Farm

The Clerk reported receipt of a briefing pack detailing information about the development of the project which the Chairman confirmed had been distributed by Dong Energy to the local community.

12. Drainage issue in Lamb Lane

Cllr Ward referred to a personal drainage issue he had recently had with Yorkshire Water and what he described as the poor initial response to his complaints whereby he had contacted Graham Stuart MP for assistance and that eventually Yorkshire Water's operatives had resolved the problems he had experienced.

Planning

13. Applications

Reduce height by approx. half and trim sides of row of twelve leylandi and re-pollard willow trees on the front boundary at The Willows South End Roos

It was agreed that no observations be made on the above application.

Erection of general purpose agricultural building at land west of Westfield Farm
Main Street Tunstall

Erection of dwelling -revised scheme- at land north of 7 Elm Garth Roos

Erection of conservatory at side at South View Main Street Tunstall

Erection of cattery at Windy Ridge Kiln House Lane Tunstall

Erection of general purpose agricultural building at Elm Farm Rectory Road Roos

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above five proposed developments.

14. Decisions

Erection of single storey extension to rear at Birch Lodge 2 Hinch Garth Roos

Conversion of 2 no. redundant agricultural buildings to form 3 holiday
accommodation units at Grange Farm Pastures Lane Tunstall

Erection of a dwelling following demolition of existing at Highfield
Kiln House Lane Tunstall

It was reported that ERYC had approved the above three applications.

15. Treasurer's report

The Treasurer sought and received approval for payment of the following accounts:-

Wilkin Partners - winter highway treatment x1 - £84.00

A Coupe - reimbursement for purchasing aerosols for use with dog stencil - £26.70

B Lee – salary/expenses for three months - £843.75

Memorial Institute – hire of Institute - £45.00

16. Emergency Plan – update

As Cllr Cracknell was not in attendance it was agreed to defer discussion of this item
to the next meeting.

Any other business

17. Overgrown Hedge at Pastures Lane Tunstall

It was agreed to again refer the above issue to ERYC for attention as the hedge was
now considered a nuisance and possible danger to highway users.

18. Tedder Hill wind farm

Comment was made that it was considered that the anemometer mast on site may not
be positioned in accordance with the approved planning consent and it was agreed to
seek clarification from ERYC in the matter.

Public session

A member of the public commented that she copied the Chairman of the Council into
a message she sent to RES (UK) Ltd in February in relation to the Roos Wind Farm

Community Fund to which she had not had a reply and the Chairman asked her if she would forward a copy of the original message to the Clerk who would then forward it to members for consideration by the Council.

Next meeting

The next meeting to be held on Monday 13th May 2013 immediately after the annual general meeting which will commence at 7.30pm in the Memorial Institute Roos.

