

Minutes of the Roos Parish Council Meeting held in the Memorial Institute, Roos 7.30pm 11th April 2011

Present: Cllr D Winter (Chairman), Cllr M Cheeseman, Cllr A Coupe, Cllr J Cracknell, Cllr D Craggs, Cllr A Dodson, Cllr B Smales, Cllr K Tyson and Cllr J Ward.

1. Consideration of Councillor's declaration of interests

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

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 14th March 2011

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

Matters arising from the minutes

3. Proposed allotments in the parish

The Clerk reported receipt of a reply from Mr Kerr-Delworth which stated that three of the original people who had expressed an interest in allotments felt that the site in the ownership of the Parochial Church Council suggested for such use was unsuitable for various reasons and that the views of the remaining interested persons would be sought and passed on to the Council as soon as possible.

4. The Pinfold

Cllr Cracknell produced some costings for materials required for initial tidy up improvements to the area amounting to £364.96 for the purchase of 8 no. sleepers 2 no. rolls of landscaping fleece and 4 no. one ton bags of gravel. It was agreed to purchase the materials after the May elections with labour being provided through the goodwill of members and that the condition of the existing wall at the site be monitored and action on any works required to it in the future be taken when considered appropriate.

5. Severe winter weather pilot fund

It was agreed that ten tons of salt at £65.00 per ton be purchased from Cllr Smales for future use in the parish and Cllr Cracknell confirmed that the Parish Sub Group was currently testing the suitability of an adapted mini tractor and that it was intended that the Council would have an opportunity to inspect the equipment in the near future.

6. Parish RES pre construction fund

It was reported that initial applications by local organisations for funding of potential projects would be considered by the Panel on the 16th May.

7. Tunstall coastal defence scheme

A letter was received from Keyingham Level Drainage Board which stated that a draft agreement submitted to it by the Environment Agency in connection with the works and future maintenance of the flood defences had been considered by the Board and that it had been agreed that in view of the requirements of the Environment Agency and the drainage issues that arose it had been resolved not to proceed with the scheme

that this had been conveyed back to the Environment Agency with the proviso that consideration would be given to any scheme that the Agency wish to proceed with in the future.

A communication update was received from the Environment Agency which stated that the authority was working hard to find an alternative solution to address the issues at Tunstall and provide an acceptable standard of protection into the future. It was agreed to invite representatives of the Environment Agency to the June meeting in order to discuss the situation and any proposed options in more detail.

8. Roos Church bells appeal

A letter of thanks was received from the Parochial Church Council for the Council's donation of £200.00 towards the restoration of the church bells.

9. Sandbags provided in 2007

The Clerk reported that ERYC had indicated that there was no budget available for the provision of new bags to secure proper containment of the sand provided in bags previously and it was agreed to request ERYC to provide details of their bag supplier.

10. ERYC Local Development Framework Core Strategy

The Clerk reported that he had been informed that the ERYC Cabinet would be considering the matter in September after which it was expected that final consultation would take place later that year and it was agreed that a sub committee be formed at the appropriate time to formulate a further policy response to the document.

11. Flooding and land drainage issues

It was reported that ERYC's contractors expected to complete the land drainage improvements on Rectory Road before the end of the month
It was agreed to enquire of ERYC as to grips which it appeared had recently been provided in the Rectory Road area.

Correspondence

12. Rifle shooting range – Pinfold Lane

A letter was received from residents complaining of the use of agricultural land for what was understood to be an unlicensed rifle shooting range and a message was also received from ERYC confirming that it was aware of the situation and that the landowner had been informed that planning permission was required and to either stop the use or submit a planning application within 28 days. It was agreed to await developments in the matter.

13. Proposed offshore wind farm project

Details of a proposed application for a development consent order for an offshore wind farm project within the Hornsea zone was received from Smart Wind seeking the Council's comments by 30th April. It was agreed that the documentation be circulated amongst members and any comments be relayed to the Clerk prior to that date for forwarding to the company.

Planning

14. Decisions

Erection of conservatory to rear at 1 North End Cottages Hilston Road Roos

Change of use of agricultural building to non-agricultural leisure/stable at land north of Chantry House Rectory Road Roos

Erection of extension to side following demolition of existing garage at Hedgerow House 29 Beechwood Views Roos

It was reported that ERYC had approved the above applications.

15. Applications

Alteration/extension of former agricultural buildings at Hall Farm Tunstall

Erection of building as a leisure centre alteration/extension of former agricultural buildings for retail/purposes construction of outdoor swimming pool laying out of external areas and construction of car parking facilities at Hall Farm Tunstall

It was agreed that no objections be made to the above proposals.

Change of use of land to form an extension to existing caravan park at Holderness Country Park Southfield Lane Tunstall

It was agreed that the documents be circulated amongst members that ERYC be asked for an extension of time for any comments and that ERYC Highways be made aware of the current state of Southfield Lane.

Erection of two guyed 80m anemometry masts for a period of 24 months at land west of Sunderland Farm Rectory Road Roos

It was agreed that the documents be circulated amongst members that clarification be sought from ERYC on the precise details of the application and an extension of time for any comments be requested.

16. Emergency plan

Cllr Cracknell reported that the plan may require slight modifications in the future dependent on the results of the impending development of the refresher Parish Plan and that it may be useful to hold a further table top exercise later in the year.

17. Parish plan

It was reported that the Parish Plan committee had applied to Awards for All for funding towards the development of a revised refresher plan.

18. Treasurer's report

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

ERYC – supply and erection of salt bin at Eastfield Estate - £312.00

B Lee – Clerk's salary/expenses for three months - £800.00

Any other business

19. The Rooster

The Council was pleased to learn that the Roos parish newsletter had been saved from closure at an extraordinary meeting of the Rooster Association and that a new committee had been elected to oversee its continued publication in the future.

20. Proposed wind farm development at Tedder Hill

It was reported that it was understood that the above approved three wind turbine development may not be now proceeding and it was agreed to enquire of ERYC if this was in fact the case.

21. ERYC planning liaison meeting

Cllr Tyson gave a report of the proceedings of the meeting held at County Hall attended also by Cllr Cracknell at which discussion on the Local Development Framework Core Strategy and the Localism Bill took place.

22. Retiring member

The Chairman paid tribute to Cllr Cheeseman who had not offered himself for re-election to the Council at the forthcoming elections in May.

The Chairman thanked him on behalf of the Council for his outstanding service and commitment to the Council over many years both as a previous Treasurer and as a member for some thirty years and wished him well in the future.

23. Present member

Cllr Dodson reported that he had inadvertently not submitted his nomination papers to ERYC in time for re-election to the Council and apologised for the oversight and trusted that members would co-opt him to Council in due course.

Next meeting

The annual meeting to be held on Monday 9th May 2011 in the Memorial Institute commencing at 7.30pm.

