

Minutes of the Roos Parish Council Meeting held in the Memorial Institute, Roos on Monday 8th September 2014

Present: Cllr D Winter (Chairman), Cllr C Blenkin, Cllr W Ainley, Cllr K Tyson and Cllr J Ward.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs A Coupe, J Cracknell, A Dodson and B Smales.

1. Broadband update

The Chairman welcomed Steve Howdle of ERYC to the meeting who gave a comprehensive update on the current situation with roll out of improved broadband services in the East Riding. He specifically announced that the Roos improvements were anticipated to take place by June 2015 and would be served by the exchange at Burton Pidsea which was currently being upgraded to meet the requirements for providing a much improved service to the local community.

Mr Howdle was thanked by the Chairman for his presentation and it was agreed that a further update on progress be available by early summer 2015.

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 August 2014

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

Matters arising from the minutes

4. RES Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

The Chair reported that the formation of the Roos and District CIC had now been finalised that a bank account was in the process of being established and that ERVAS would be preparing application forms and literature for the benefit of organisations which were interested in submitting applications for funding to the fund panel for consideration. He also confirmed that a director's meeting would be taking place on the 29th September followed on the same day by a fund panel meeting.

5. New footpath between Roos and Burton Pidsea

A further communication from ERYC confirmed that Burton Pidsea Parish Council had agreed to contribute £1,000 towards the cost of a new bridge on the above footpath with a request that the Council match the offer.

It was again agreed that at present no financial contribution be offered towards the cost and that ERYC be again asked to seek a financial contribution from the Internal Drainage Board towards the estimate cost.

6. Tunstall coastal defence scheme

A reply from ERYC confirmed that negotiations were continuing between its Estates Section and Mr Smales land agent and that the Authority had consulted Natural England regarding the landowners stewardship scheme and possible grants available when the area on the seaward side of the proposed embankment became intertidal

habitat and further that the estates officer had now received the required information which would feed into the settlement offer for the required land.

7. History of Roos

Cllr Tyson reported that he had been in contact with Chris Helliwell who had provided him with backdated copies of The Rooster, the Council minute book from 1894 to 1965 and church and WI material and it was agreed that he initially disperse items which were of particular interest to the appropriate organisations and that the minute book be returned to the Archives at Beverley in due course.

8. Drainage issues at South End

The Chairman reported that Yorkshire Water would be undertaking camera surveys of both the foul and surface water in mid September followed by an immediate update on the result of the surveys and the Clerk reported receipt of a reply from ERYC which stated that possible capacity issues with the public surface water sewer system had been identified and that the matter had been raised with Yorkshire Water who had responded that it was a funding issue in that the company is not funded to undertake improvements unless there is internal flooding of property that has not resulted from an exceptional rainfall event. Further that ERYC sympathise with Mr Cook but that the means to resolve the problem rests fully with Yorkshire Water.

It was agreed to await the outcome of the two surveys prior to any further discussions on the matter and to seek rainfall data for Roos Beck following the heavy rainfall in the summer. A reply from ERYC indicated that sandbags could not be offered free of charge but that empty bags were available free of charge and it was agreed to request 100 to replenish stocks that had become degraded.

9. Damaged litter bin at Hodgson Lane

It was reported that the bin had now been repaired and was back in situ.

Correspondence

10. East Riding parish news

The latest edition was circulated for members' individual attention.

11. East Riding of Yorkshire Rural Strategy 2013

The annual refresh 2014/15 document received from ERYC was circulated for members' individual information and attention.

12. Proposed Hull boundary extension

A letter in relation to the Commission of Inquiry and attached frequently asked questions and key facts received from the Leader of Hull City Council was circulated for members' individual attention.

Planning

Conversion of barns to provide holiday let facility and demolition of existing detached barn at Manor Farm Main Street Tunstall 14/02152

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

13. Treasurer's report

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

J Chapman - maintenance of open space at Pilmar Lane - £70.00

R Dry - maintenance of Tunstall village green - £70.00

Any other business

14. Tedder Hill Community Wind Farm Fund

Cllr Ainley commented that he was awaiting details from ERYC with regard to the date and time of the inaugural meeting of the Fund Panel.

15. Public session

A member of the public commented on the flooding that had taken place in the summer at South End and gave an opinion of the action that should be taken to alleviate the problem and another member of the public suggested that funds from the RES Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund should be allocated towards providing facilities for the younger generation in the parish.

16. Proposed allotments

The Clerk read a communication received from the owners of the field which confirmed that they did not wish to sell or rent the area of land in question for allotment purposes. The contents were noted and it was agreed to place on record that the Council thank Cllr Smales for his initial discussions with the landowners in relation to the particular site.

Next meeting

The next meeting to be held on Monday 13th October 2014 in the Memorial Institute commencing at 7.30pm.

