

# **Fiskerton-cum-Morton Parish Council**

## **Minutes of Full Council Meeting on 21 February 2022**

**7.00 pm at Morton Church Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs A Price (In the Chair), H Gibbins, R Lancaster, L Moakes, J Larwood

**In Attendance:** Lynda Ogilvie, Locum Clerk, one member of the public, Cllr R Blaney (NSDC)

### **1. Apologies – acceptance and approval**

Cllr S Holloway and Cllr B Magrath sent apologies, which were approved.

### **2. Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest

### **3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 January 2022**

Minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2022 were approved and signed as a correct record

### **4. Clerk's update (if any)**

Locum Clerk confirmed that all actions from the last meeting had been completed other than contacting HMRC. This includes changing contact details with HSBC so electronic payments can now be made,

### **5. Reports from Parish, District and County Councillors**

Cllr Blaney gave apologies on behalf of Cllr Saddington as she was attending another meeting.

Cllr Blaney referred to the recent problem with the rail line when all crossings in the area were inoperative due to an electric failure. Cllr Blaney had tried to get through on the railway telephone to seek information but was unable to make contact. Network Rail had apologised, but better information about such an event is needed.

He also alerted members to the car service facility offered by CVS, which may be of interest to members of the parish.

### **6. Questions from Members of the Public**

There were no questions from the public

### **7. Planning applications:**

There were no planning applications for comment

It was noted that the application for Fairfields, Station Road, has gone to appeal.

### **8. Finance**

#### **a) To approve payment list**

Payment list was approved

#### **b) To approve budget monitoring and bank reconciliation**

These documents were circulated and approved

#### **c) Appointment of Internal Auditor**

It was agreed that Locum Clerk will contact Hobsons for a quote to undertake the internal audit, and the matter will be added to March agenda for consideration

### **9. Renewal of PC insurance, and acceptance of quote from Came & Co of £614.50.**

Council approved this payment, and noted that this is the final year of a fixed fee premium.

### **10. Approval of outside body to deal with PAYE and other matters relating to appointment of new Clerk**

Members agreed to outsource this work, and the quote from Hobsons was approved.  
Locum Clerk to action

**11. Strategic Plan Update****a) Communications – including update of Website and approval of cost of next newsletter**

Members approved costs of up to £100 for the production of next village newsletter. Village welcome pack will also be updated, and new copies produced. Members approved expenditure of up to £100 for printing costs.

**b) Flood Planning**

A resident has offered to oversee flood planning process, and will arrange a meeting of those willing to be involved. The brief will include mapping waterways and noting responsibilities for maintenance.

**c) Community Spirit**

No specific discussion took place on this item, but it can be included within the action plan ensuing from item (d) below.

**d) Residents Survey**

Cllr Moakes reported on the resident survey and highlighted the areas of most interest and/or concern. Over 55 replies had been received, and Cllr Moakes was thanked for the work she had put into analysing the outcomes.

Cllrs Price and Moakes will develop an action plan.

**12. Jubilee Celebrations – outline of events**

Chair reported that she had approached Cllr Saddington for financial support for Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Some plans are already taking shape, including a street party in Morton, and the possibility of a barn dance. Other ideas include a cartoon map, which can be designed and residents may purchase a copy, a photography competition, and a barbeque on the village green. Gifts for children may also be considered.

**13. General maintenance of the Parish:****a) Report from Councillor JL including update of kissing gates; to approve expenditure for installation, ground clearance and kissing gates**

Members approved the installation of up to three gates as considered necessary, at a cost of £400 per gate.

**b) To consider new gates for Village Green, including approving expenditure**

Two quotes have been received for new gates. Members opted for the higher quote (£2,850) because it was considered a superior quality and would be longer lasting. Cllr Moakes will make the appropriate arrangements for purchase and installation

**c) Maintenance of public areas of parish – consideration of quotes received**

Ulyetts have been asked to quote for this work, and further quotes will be sought. To be considered again at next meeting

**d) To consider footpath Marlock and Station Road**

It was noted that the area has now been cleared, so no further action at this time.

**e) OVO – reading solar panels meter at ARC before 2<sup>nd</sup> week March**

Arrangements in hand for this to be done and readings sent to OVO

**13. Village Entrance Signs – road from Bleasby to Fiskerton – Update with costs**

Cllr Lancaster reported that the cost of the new sign will be £1,476 including VAT. Installation costs are likely to be £740. Members unanimously approved these costs. Cllr Lancaster is awaiting updated permission for the installation from VIA.

**14. Sports and Gala update**

Cllrs Price and Larwood reported on a meeting with SGA. There are no issues of concern at the moment, and the SGA finances remain healthy.

**15. Correspondence****a) Consultation on Draft Nottingham Waste Local Plan**

This was noted.

**16. To consider resolving that under Section 100 A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the basis it would likely to disclose exempt information**

Members so resolved.

**17. Recruitment of Clerk**

Cllrs Price, Larwood and Gibbins had interviewed the applicant for the post. Their recommendations (noted on separate confidential Minute) were approved, and the candidate will be offered the position. Probably starting date will be 1 April

**18. Date of next meeting:**

Monday 21 March 2022

There being no further business, Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.55 pm.