

WITTON & RIDLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman: Mr Richard Barker

Parish Clerk: Denise Revell

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting of Witton and Ridlington Parish Council on 27th September 2023 at 7pm at Witton and Ridlington Village Hall

Present: Richard Barker (in the Chair), Rebecca Barringer, Stirling Byford (delayed, arrived at 19:20), Gillian Owles, Amanda Sands, Jane Simpson.

Clerk: Denise Revell

Members of the Public: 1

1. **Apologies for Absence**

1.1 To consider and agree apologies for absence

Cllr Byford advised council that he would be delayed

2. **Declarations of interests and requests for dispensation**

None

3. **Minutes of previous meetings**

3.1 To agree and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 2nd August 2023

Cllr Barringer proposed the motion, Cllr Sands seconded the motion and the Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd August 2023 were agreed and signed

4. **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman spoke about the Planning Seminar that he attended in Stalham and explained to the council how informative it had been.

5. **Public Participation Time**

The meeting will be adjourned for a period specified in the Resolution (no longer than 15 minutes) to allow Members of the Public, to receive District and County Councillors reports and any Councillors with prejudicial interests to speak.

Note that only items on this Agenda are to be discussed – for any other item/subject please contact the Clerk in writing for submission at a future meeting

Cllr Lucy Shires, Norfolk County Council sent her apologies but sent her report which was read at the meeting - We are looking at a balanced budget at the end of the year, but there seems to be some uncertainty surrounding the County Deal, what Norfolk will get from it remains to be seen.

I have been working on the road safety partnership to address speeding in our 20mph areas and is at the stage where we are putting in a bid for funding. The project will be working with schools and the local community to educate local areas on safer driving. Consultation for the North Walsham extension is underway, and quite rightly concerns have been raised about the services that the town will need, highways improvements, the impact on the village of Coltishall. I am in contact with the local Councillors to see how North Walsham Councillors can support them in their campaign for improvements that are needed now to deal with the current traffic issues as any development could add more pressure to this

Cllr Pauline Porter, North Norfolk District Council reported that there was a public meeting to be held on 29th September 2023 to address speeding issues in the district.

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Councillors made their comments regarding speeding in the area and Cllr Barker would raise these points at the meeting on the 29th

6. Matters arising from previous meetings

To report on progress on items from previous meetings. No decisions may be taken.

6.1 Defibrillator training has been booked for the 7th October 2023, 3pm at Witton Village Hall. Places need to be pre-booked

7. Planning

None

8. Finance

8.1 To consider and agree the bank reconciliation of accounts

Cllr Sands proposed the motion, Cllr Barringer seconded the motion and Council agreed the bank reconciliation of accounts

8.2 To receive the Budget update

The budget update was reviewed

8.3 To consider and agree Website arrangement

Cllr Simpson proposed the motion, Cllr Byford seconded the motion and it was agreed to transfer the website to an alternative provider

8.4 To consider and agree payments and receipts

Cllr Owles proposed the motion, Cllr Barringer seconded the motion and the Following payments were agreed

Payments

D Revell	Salary and Expenses	£386.71
Countrystyle	Recycling	£ 6.00
NPTS	Training	£ 54.00
NNDC	Bin Emptying	£285.96

Receipts

NNDC	2nd Precept instalment	£2500.00
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9. Policies, Documents, Communications and Training

Events

8.1 To discuss the meeting with Duncan Baker regarding speeding

Councillors expressed concerns regarding increased amounts of traffic travelling on the roads including tractors and trailers and their concerns that there was also an increase in horse riders, dog walkers, deer, badgers and other wildlife on the roads adding to the problems on the roads in the parish

10. Events

None

11. To report any other business

Note that this is to report matters for inclusion in a future agenda or matters which require no decision to be made by the Council

None

12. Correspondence

12.1 Email from a parishioner requesting that they join the council

12.2 Email from the Clerk regarding additional working commitments

13. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm that the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council will be on 22nd November 2023 at 7pm at Witton and Ridlington Village Hall

Signed _____

Date _____