WITTON & RIDLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman: Mr Richard Barker Parish Clerk: Denise Revell

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Witton and Ridlington Parish Council on 22nd January 2025 at 7:00pm at Witton and Ridlington Village Hall

Present: Richard Barker (In the Chair), Stirling Byford, Darren Mortimer, Amanda Sands

Clerk: Denise Revell Members of the Public: 0

1. <u>To receive Apologies for Absence.</u>

1.1 To consider and agree apologies for absence

Cllr Simpson, Cllr DeFeyter and Cllr Owles sent their apologies and these were accepted by the council

2. Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensations

2.1 To consider and agree declarations of interest and requests for dispensations None received

3. <u>Minutes of previous meetings</u>

3.1 To agree and sign the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the **6th November 2024**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th November 2024 were agreed and signed at the meeting

4. Chairman's Report

Cllr Barker said that he was delighted that Cllr Mortimer had now officially joined the council. Cllr Barker reported on the SNAP meeting and explained that the format for these meetings had changed and that they were now open to the public but the priorities are to be agreed by a separate group. The local police are currently understaffed but they were still targeting antisocial behaviour and speeding in the area.

The next RWE meeting will be held at Witton Village Hall on the 11th March 2025 Cllr Barker would like to offer a huge thanks to the local resident that installed the Defibrillator in the Witton Phone Box.

5. <u>Public Participation Time</u>

The meeting will be adjourned for a period of 15 minutes) to allow Members of the Public to speak, 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.

There were no members of the public present at the meeting. MOD police send a report stating that the move from Ministry of Defence Police to Civil Nuclear Defence was still progressing and that the links between his team and Norfolk Police still continues.

District Councillor P Porter sent her apologies and reported that devolution still looked as though it would be going ahead and that Norfolk and Suffolk County Councils were in support of this change. She also reported on the Bacton Summit that she had attended and was hopeful that the outcomes of the meeting would be shared with the public

6. <u>Matters arising from previous meetings</u>

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

- 6.1 Mace Cottage Householder has been contacted by Highways
- 6.2 Repairs to the Telephone box Witton Bridge ongoing

7. Planning

To consider and agree responses to planning applications and receive updates None, however a discussion was held regarding EF/24/2573 1-9 Heathers Courtyard Proposed Lawful Development Certificate

8. Finance

8.1 To consider and agree bank reconciliation of accounts

Council considered and agreed the bank reconciliation of accounts

8.2 To receive the budget update

The budget update was received

8.3 To consider and agree Payments and Receipts

The following payments and receipts were agreed by the council

Payments			
Date	Payable to	Description	Amount
22.01.2025	SLCC	Membership	£47.50
15.11.2024	D Revell	Salary	£230.37
15.12.2024	D Revell	Salary	£187.09
30.01.2025	Countrystyle	Recycling	£12.00
20.01.2025	D Revell	Expenses	£17.01
31.12.2024	Unity Bank	Bank Charges	£6.00
Receipts			
Date	Payable to	Description	Amount

9. Policies, Documents, Communications and Training

9.1 To consider and agree the Council's Code of Conduct Policy

The Council's Code of Conduct Policy was considered and agreed

9.2 To consider and agree the Council's Social Media Policy

The Council's Social Media Policy was considered one amendment was made and the policy was agreed

10. Events

Next event - Litter Pick 2nd March 2025 - More advertising and fliers were need for this event - clerk to action

11. <u>To report any other business</u>

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

To consider any correspondence and agree responses thereto

12.1 Email from NALC regarding their conversion from Co-op to Company Limited by Guarantee - Council responded that they have no opinion or objection to this being carried out

13. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u>

To confirm that the date of the next meeting of the Parish Council - 19th March 2025

Meeting closed: 19:30