

Minutes of Stamford Bridge Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12th August 2019 at 7.30 pm in the back room of the Village Hall.

Present: Councillors R Clarke (in the Chair) K Rutherford, C Kealey, P Butterfield, D Flynn, T Pope, G Shuttleworth and C Clarke.

Ward Councillors Kay West
Parish Clerk Dave King
Members of the public – 19

To remind the public that this meeting can be recorded.

1. To receive apologies for absence.
Apologies for absence received from Councillor Bragg and Ward Councillor P West.
2. (a) To record declarations of interest by any member of the Council in respect of the Agenda items listed below. Members declaring interests should identify the Agenda item and type of interest being declared.
No declarations of interest.

(b) To note dispensations given to any member of the Council in respect of the Agenda items listed below.
No dispensations declared.
3. Public session (members of the public will adhere to the rules set by the Council for this session which will last a maximum of 15 minutes).
Battle Group - update by Steve Mercer for the Councillors
Willow trees – Please see item 13.4
Highways, Main Street and Square pedestrian crossings
Kabin planning application
The new prison
4. To receive reports (information only) from representatives of the following outside bodies:
 - 4.1 Humberside Police
A couple of ASB reports received about youths smoking joints and leaving litter at the Old Station play area.
No issues when patrols have been conducted and no further incidents reported in the last month.
On 24/07/19, an opportunist thief stole cash from the till of a commercial property on Main Street during opening hours. Enquiries are continuing.
 - 4.2 East Riding of Yorkshire Ward Councillor
Ward Councillor K West reported on Stamford Bridge to Low Catton path, new equipment for the Play Park and the Willow trees.

5. To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on the 8th July 2019 as a true and correct record.

Proposed by Councillor Flynn, seconded by Councillor Rutherford with all Councillors who attended the meeting voting in favour.

6. To discuss the following items from the Minutes

6.1 New housing pack.

Councillor Butterfield reported that the packs are on- going.

6.2 Update from Councillor Kealey and the Clark regarding the pedestrian bridge and the viaduct, following meetings with ERYC.

The Clerk reported that he had met Mike Ball (ERYC officer) along with Councillor Kealey to discuss concerns about the pedestrian bridge and the viaduct. Mike Ball said the pedestrian bridge was not in a position where it required work. The Parish Council could clean it if they wanted but ERYC would want to see all risk assessments and method statements due to the work taking place over water.

He agreed to report on overgrowth of vegetation to highways.

Regarding the viaduct, he has now arranged for checks and work to be done on a crack that had been found and the erosion of the surface leaving wood exposed.

6.3 To discuss costs for repair of the path leading down to the river.

Dave Lee had supplied a cost of £492 plus VAT for repair of the path.

Councillor R Clarke proposed a maximum payment of £600.00, seconded by Councillor Butterfield with all Councillors attending the meeting voting in favour.

6.4 To give permission and a grant of £109.00 to Dave Tinkler/Art Group to cover the cost of new art work in the bus shelter.

The Clerk had now received a new grant form from the Art Group requesting a grant of £109.00. This was agreed and proposed by Councillor Kealey and seconded by Councillor Shuttleworth with all Councillors in favour.

6.5 Update on the proposal to achieve a safe crossing point between 29a and 31 Main Street by the installation of a zebra crossing.

Due to no feedback from ERYC this item was moved to September.

6.6 To discuss the refurbishment of the play area at the Old Railway Station.

"Councillor Flynn reported on a meeting at the Old Railway Play Area on the 23rd June to look at installing additional equipment to cater for the youth element in the village.

ERYC explained that play areas have to conform to a number of standards and regulations, one of which is the proximity to residential properties (buffer zone) to reduce the likelihood of general disturbance, noise and other nuisances. The play area at the Old Railway Station is currently classed as a type B play area, which allows for 5-8 pieces of equipment for children up to 12 years of age, and requires a buffer zone of 15 meters. If ERYC were to install additional equipment to cater for youths the buffer zone would need to increase to 30m

which on the Station site is not achievable.

Due to the buffer zone not being achievable for youth equipment a discussion took place which resulted in the proposal to provide 2 additional pieces of equipment that would increase the play value of the site and could be used by youths even though not primarily designed for them. The items are a 1.7m free standing slide and a Space Trainer Rotator which could be installed fairly quickly subject to ERYC contractor's availability.

A request was also made to reduce the height of some of the boundary planting to allow sight of the area from the cafe and to cut back the nettles at the edge of the site. Since the meeting it has also been suggested that a further yellow bench is provided at the end of the play area to provide extra security."

6.7 Update from Councillor Shuttleworth on the bus subsidy.

Councillor Shuttleworth reported that following the re-tender process, FIRST York will run the evening bus service from the 1st of September. All FIRST tickets will be valid on the evening service, something the Parish Council has actively campaigned for. Unfortunately our appeal to reinstate a Sunday evening service was not met but we will continue activity towards this. Additionally as FIRST are running the service as a commercial route there will be no requirement for the Parish Council, Rosti, and ERYC to subsidise it. The Parish Council has obtained an advance copy of the new timetable which will be displayed on noticeboards. The Parish Council will put new paper timetables in the Post Office and the library when they are available from FIRST.

7. To report and make relevant recommendations on new planning applications and subsequent plans received after the Agenda is sent out:

7.1 2 Roman Ave South – Erection of a single storey detached building for use as a self-contained annex.

No objections in principle, but would suggest the following:

Report from Councillor Pope - Retain the ornamental wall between the front and rear gardens to allow privacy for the new structure. The UPVC cladding for the new structure be of a colour sympathetic to the rural environment.

7.2 Church Road – Erection of single storey extension to rear

Report from Councillor Pope - Recommended for approval.

7.3 37A High Catton Road - Erection of ground floor extension to rear, dormer window with balcony to rear and dormer window to side.

Recommended for approval

7.4 3 Viking Close - Conversion of existing garage to additional living accommodation, installation of 2 roof lights, window and door to rear and window and cedar cladding to front.

Recommended for approval

7.5 Land West Of Viking Road Car Park - Change of use of agricultural land to general purpose recreation area and overflow car park.

Recommended for approval (Clerk Local Government Act 1972, section 101).

8. To report planning decisions by East Riding of Yorkshire Council:
No planning decisions received.
9. To receive the Chairman's Report (for information only)
 - 1) The Chairman updated the Councillors on the boundary petition and the documents taken to ERYC.
 - 2) The transport survey is about ready, ERYC are to have a meeting to discuss before the end of September.
10. To receive the Clerk's Report (for information only)
The Clerk had already sent a copy of his report to the Councillors, but read it out for members of the public.
11. To discuss, if necessary, long-standing matters:
12. Reports from Committee' Representatives:
 - 12.1. To ratify the following proposal from the Finance meeting;
Ring fence up to £3,000 to be drawn down if required. All monies to be paid back when LEADER grant is completed.
Guarantors are required from the village hall for the sum advanced.
Councillor R Clarke proposed the offer and was seconded by Councillor Pope that the £3000.00 is ring fenced for the Village Hall as the guarantor letter has now been received with all Councillors in favour.
13. To receive new matters raised by Members:
 - 13.1 Councillor R Clarke and the Clerk to update on the B Fest weekend run by Paul Garbutt
A meeting had taken place with Paul Garbutt and discussions in detail about his event for the B Fest weekend on the 28th and 29th September had occurred.
The Clerk had given him a copy of the rules regarding the use of the land at the back of the Old Station House which were sent to the Parish Council as part of the contract by ERYC.
Councillor R Clarke proposed and seconded by Councillor Rutherford that both the B Fest and the Battle reenactment weekend go ahead on the Parish Council license or field with all Councillors in favour.
 - 13.2 To discuss helping Rosti celebrate their 75th anniversary?
Moved to the September meeting when Councillor Bragg will be available.
 - 13.3 Councillors R Clarke and the Clerk to update on the following;
 - 1) Do the Battle Group need to use the Parish Council licence to use the new field?
 - 2) Can they charge a fee for entrance?
 - 3) Would there be a possibility of extending the opening hours of the public toilets in the Square?

The Clerk had met the Battle group and discussed the above requirements:

1. The Parish Council licence will not be required for this event as the Council own the field.
2. The Battle group have decided to charge an entrance fee by the purchase of a programme.
3. They confirmed that they are hiring a number of portable toilets so will not require the public ones in the Square.

13.4 To discuss residents concern re the pollarding of willow trees near 'Saxon Gate' and also a complaint to Councillor Rutherford re the size of the trees in Godwinsway.

During the public session a resident had updated the Councillors regarding the willow trees.

A number of residents had met the tree contractors along with the David Wilson Homes representative and the following was agreed:

Cut back two of the trees that were overhanging the path and hope for a stay of execution for the others pending further discussions

A copy of the report has been requested on a survey taken on the trees 5 years ago, Also requested is sight of the contractors' license from Natural England to disturb bat habitat and their ecological survey.

Once the residents have sight of these the idea is to consult with Vaughan Grantham (ERYC), the bat conservation people and natural England to formulate a way forward that will consider all perspectives (including the trees and wildlife).

The Parish Councillors decided to keep a watching brief and ask that they were kept updated.

Regarding the size of trees in Godwinsway, the Clerk was asked to contact ERYC tree section and pass on photographs taken by Councillor Rutherford.

13.5 To consider requesting ERYC approval to create a wildflower area on the land between the footbridge and the New Inn car park.

Councillor Kealey suggested a wild flower area in a piece of land between the New Inn car park and the bridge. This was agreed by the Councillors.

Before the item could go any further the Clerk was asked to check with ERYC that they owned this land.

13.6 Councillor R Clark to update the Councillors on the location of the deeds for the new field.

Councillor R Clark reported that the deeds are now stored with the Solicitors (Roger Dixon)

Councillor R Clarke proposed that the deeds were left with the Solicitors, seconded by Councillor Butterfield with all Councillors in favour.

14. To discuss matters raised by Parish Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer:

14.1 To approve payments of £4,459.00 up to the 31st July 2019 as per attached sheet sent to each Councillor.

RESOLVED: To confirm that accounts totaling £4,459.00 have been paid out, proposed by Councillor Pope and seconded by Councillor Flynn with all Councillors in favor.

14.2 To note - **no** amounts paid in during 1st July to 31st July 2019.

14.3 To note the balance at the bank as of the 31st July
Current account £71,682.19

15. To report any new correspondence received by the Council:
July 19 ERYC 2% Increase in Service Level agreement for Street Lighting.
RESOLVED: correspondence either read out or noted.
16. To notify the Clerk of matters for inclusion on the Agenda for the next meeting.
New housing pack
Speed Gun – Ward Councillor K West to provide details
Street Walk
New Finance Regulations
17. To confirm the date of the next meeting in the back room of The Village Hall.
The next meeting will be on Monday 9th September 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall back room.

The meeting closed at 9 pm.