

Minutes of the meeting of Seaton Ross Parish Council held on Tuesday 4 July 2017

A Parish Council meeting was held in the village hall on Tuesday 4 July 2017 at 7.30pm.

Members present: J Henley (Chair), C Curran, R Underwood, R Chapman, G Brockhouse, C Hunt and G Gardham.

Apologies – P Johnson and D Gascogne.

Members of the public – 2

20/17 Declarations of interest – None.

21/17 Public questions – None.

22/17 Minutes – Agreed – that the minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 2017 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

23/17 Matters arising –

- a) The village website has new administrators – if the parish council has any suggestions for new content, please contact Cath Winnard. It was agreed to present the previous administrator with a small gift of a £20 voucher for all her help over the years (J Henley to action)
- b) Storage – the Chairman of the Playing Field Association attended the meeting. He felt a storage facility in front of the playing fields was not favourable on the grounds of appearance, plus it would block the view of the playing fields from the road. Members considered the possibility of a facility on the parish plot or near land at the village hall. It was agreed J Henley would pursue the matter.
- c) Tree pruning – the tree outside the village hall had been pruned. J Henley would speak to the Church Warden about the overhanging trees in the churchyard and the costs involved in cutting them back.
- d) Rolawn – clerk to ask if Rolawn would put the sign back about HGVs not using the village.

24/17 Breckstreet Lane Subsidence – it was reported major work to the highway was required near Fosses Farm
Agreed – the clerk to report to East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC).

25/17 Triangle outside Halifax House – Work was needed after a vehicle had recently driven over the flower bed. **Agreed – J Henley to speak to Barbara Wood and Michael Lupton for suggestions.**

26/17 Planning Consultation for 17/01328/PLF Land West Of St Edmunds Churchyard Church Lane – Approved. In relation to the need for an archaeological survey, it was agreed the Clerk would ask ERYC for information on when surveys would be required.

27/17 Planning Notices – None.

28/17 Payments – the following payments were agreed:

- a) ERNLLCA Annual Subscription - £286.01
- b) Hire of speed indicator devices between 9 March and 6 April 2017 - £500.00
- c) Repayment to clerk for sundries (paper and stamps) - £14.72

29/17 Aims and Objective of the Parish Council – J Henley to circulate aims and objectives to members prior to the August meeting.

30/17 AOB:

- a) Authorisation to purchase a screen for the village hall was given – R Chapman to obtain quotes and purchase
- b) Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) – the clerk confirmed no data was stored. It was requested the clerk write to ERYC to express its disappointment about this.
- c) Mains Lane Passing Place – a parishioner joined the meeting at this stage to discuss the parking on Mains Lane. He was informed this item was not on the agenda and therefore could not be discussed. However, the parishioner was keen for a discussion to take place and informed the council that:

- a. He was the victim of bullying and harassment from the parish council because it had contacted the Police in relation to him parking in the passing place outside his house on Mains Lane;
- b. His vehicles were not causing an obstruction to the highway when they were parked in the passing place.
- c. The councillors who lived on Mains Lane should have declared both pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in the matter.
- d. He wanted a reply to a letter he had sent the parish council in February 2017.

The clerk responded to the parishioner's points:

- a. The Parish Council was not bullying or harassing the parishioner. It had a right to report obstructions of the highway to the Police particularly if they were compromising highway safety. As a result, the clerk and a councillor had been to the Police drop in centre recently to ask for advice. The Police Officer had requested all incidents of obstruction of the highway by the parishioner be reported to the Police via the 101 number.
- b. The Police had considered the matter important enough to make a number of visits to the parishioner until they were able to talk to him about the issue.
- c. Any individual complaints to the Police about obstructing the highway had been made in a personal capacity and not in the capacity as councillor.
- d. There was no need for pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests to be declared in this matter.
- e. The parish council had not replied to the parishioner's letter as yet because it had been looking further into the situation with the Council and the Police.

31/17 Correspondence – members considered correspondence which had been received since the last meeting.

Next meeting – Friday 4 August 2017, 7:30pm, Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.