

Church Fenton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Church Fenton Parish Council held on Thursday 21st June 2018 at the Village Hall, Main Street, Church Fenton

Present: Cllr Ross Higham (Chair), Cllr Jo Mason, Cllr Andrew Mason, Cllr Craig Blakey, Cllr Rebecca Hunt, Cllr Stuart Spensley

Jeremy Sherlock (Clerk)

19 members of the public

20. Apologies, Declarations, and Dispensations

Apology - Cllr Sarah Chester – childcare issues

21. Public Session

There was a comment about the price of the Community Shop. A separate comment was made about the divisive nature of discussions about the shop both in the Council and village. Praise was given to both Councillors and volunteers for the work that they had done. It was reasonable for the Council to try to negotiate.

Cllr Blakey left the Council for 5 minutes during the above discussion.

There was a request that the road next to Northfield Terrace be considered when anti speeding measures are considered. A resident gave the Clerk a copy document relating to maintenance of roadside hedges on an adjacent site.

There was a comment about the need for the grass cutters to strim to the edges on Main Street Play Area.

22. Reports

None. There was a view that there had been additional presence since their attendance at the last meeting, and the Clerk was asked to write to them to thank the police for their response.

23. Minutes of the Meetings held on 17th May 2018.

Resolved that the minutes represented a true record of the meetings.

24. Matters Arising

None.

25. For Discussion

a. **White Horse** – the Clerk advised that nearly everything was in place to allow completion of the purchase and the signing of the lease. There was a discussion about evidence supplied regarding “Proof of Funds” and the CBS were able to provide additional evidence.

Consideration of refurbishment will take place at a future meeting.

b. **Community Shop** – the vendors Solicitors have been advised of the Council’s intention to proceed. They have been asked to raise with the vendors an extension the Shop lease. Following the decision at the Extraordinary meeting to agree to a Bond to mitigate the overage clause the Clerk has appointed an RICS valuer to set its value. Assuming this is agreed by CFCS Ltd it will be possible to progress to a rapid exchange.

c. **Speeding** – Cllr Andrew Mason agreed to take a lead on this issue and report back to the next meeting. The Clerk had obtained information from Barkston Ash PC regarding their “20 is Plenty” campaign which will be forwarded to Cllr Mason.

d. **Mint Festival** – the Clerk had received very limited information from the Airport about the event, merely confirming that it is taking place. The Clerk had investigated required consents::

Planning – no planning consent is required for temporary events of this nature providing that

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the total use does not exceed 28 days

Licencing –The Airport has a Premises Licence for events under the Licencing Act 2003 which was granted On 3.9.2015. This is a general licence for a variety of activities. The licence allows activities between 06:00 and 02:00. For this particular event licencing have requested an Event Management Plan, though this had not been received when I had the conversation. This will be considered by a group called the “Safety Management Group” which includes representatives from Licencing, Environmental Health, Community Partnerships, Highways and the Police. A meeting of this group is arranged for early July. The aim of this group is to seek to ensure that the event can be run safely and to minimise its impact on the local community.

It was suggested that residents lobby County and Borough Councillors regarding any concerns they may have regarding this event as they should be able to influence Officers attending the Safety Management Group. In addition it was suggested that an independent traffic survey should be considered so that there is evidence to change uses of this nature.

- e. **Neighbourhood Plan** – a Draft Plan has been prepared and sent to Selby DC for comments. It is intended to produce a final draft for consultation in September. No response has been received regarding the Awards for All application
- f. **HS2** – a meeting has been arranged at the School By HS2 Ltd. “Surgery” sessions have also been promised, but not arranged yet. The local Engineer has developed a proposal which allows the lowering of the viaduct which he will discuss with the Parish Council. It is possible that the line near to Church Fenton may be built earlier than was anticipated as part of Transport for the North improvements to the transpennine routes.

26. For Information

An email has been received from NYCC footpaths officer advising that footpath no1 was now clear.

Information has been circulated about the “Church Fenton Rocks” initiative by the Brownies.

A flyer has been received regarding “Your Favourite Cycle Route in Yorkshire and Humberside”.

A request has received for contributions to The Selby DC Chairman’s charities. The Council has a policy to restrict its funding to activities that benefit Church Fenton residents so it was agreed to take no further action.

27. Planning

Applications Approved

2018/0391/HPA –Proposed erection of a double garage at Old Forge Cottage, Main Street, Church Fenton

2018/0440/HPA – Proposed single storey side extension and loft conversion at 1 Railway Houses, Sandwath Lane, Church Fenton

28. Finance

- a. Clerks Report - An up to date receipts and payments analysis has been undertaken. This shows a balance of £42,747.47. An analysis of general funds allowing for the Sandwath Endowment and CIL grant, shows the following:

Balance	£42,747.47
Sandwath endowment	(£26,718.03)
CIL	(£4,407.50)
GENERAL FUND BALANCE	£11,621.94

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The funds for the acquisition of the White Horse have been drawn down with completion anticipated this month. The Council will “opt to tax” to recover the VAT, and will charge VAT on the rent. A VAT adviser has been appointed who will assist in this process and the first few VAT returns.

Resolved that the finance report be noted

b. Income

HMRC	VAT Recovery	£1,535.31
PWLB	Loan (White Horse)	£425,975.00

c. Payments

A A Thomas	Audit	£80.00
Freeths LLP	Disbursements	£587.44
North Yorkshire CC	Light repairs	£129.61
Sherburn-in-Elmet PC	Grass cutting	£410.03
Sherburn-in-Elmet PC	Administration	£100.00
Freeths LLP	Searches - CS	£44.52
Freeths LLP	White Horse Acquisition	£426,000.00
HMRC	Tax	£145.60
J Sherlock	Salary	£327.14
S Fisher	Salary	£102.69
Viking	Stationery	£70.48
Sherburn-in-Elmet PC	Grass Cutting	£426.31
Sherburn-in-Elmet PC	Grass cutting (Sandwath)	£22.42
Church Fenton Village Hall	Room Hire (NP)	£24.00
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Resolved that the above payments and income be noted

29. Representatives Reports

Cllr Jo Mason had been contacted about young people causing problems near Fenton Grange. It appears this was a one off by a group who had absconded.

30. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Speeding, Mint festival, Revised budget

31. Date and time of next meeting – Thursday 19th July at 7:30 at the Village Hall, Main Street, Church Fenton

Meeting closed at 9:05 pm

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