Fiskerton-cum-Morton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 18th September 2023

Present: Cllrs A Price (Chair)H. Gibbins (chair), C. Hallam, H. Boffy, Two members of the public. Cllr K. Melton (part)

Councillor Price opened the meeting at 19.04.

- **1. Apologies –** Apologies were received and approved from Cllrs. Powell and Holloway.
- 2. Declarations of interest there were none
- **3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 19/7/2023** The minutes were approved.
- 4. Clerk's update None
- **5. Reports from District and County Councillors –** Cllr. Melton Introduced himself and was welcomed by the Chair. Cllr. Melton informed the council that whilst not intending to attend every meeting, he would do so as and when there was a relevant issue. He went on to outline a potential planning issue with a mobile phone mast, and that as part of his role he was seeking out tree planting opportunities.
- **6. Questions from Members of the Public –** Several questions were raised concerning the S106 report. There was a discussion that resulted in a commitment by the councillors to obtain better particulars on "grass improvement", the £30k "grant" and tree pruning in particular.

There was also a question raised concerning the dates of Ulyetts visits. The Clerk gave the date of the next "cut" and confirmed that he was endeavouring to get a committed date for the other work and would report back.

7. Planning applications

a) 23/01335/FUL, Fairfields Station Road Fiskerton, This application was voted against by 5 to 0. As it does not conform to the neighbourhood plan **b)** 23/01443/RMA, Part OS Field 260 Land Adjacent Low Trek Claypit Lane Fiskerton. This application was approved by 5 to 0.

8. Finance:

- a) To approve payments' list -The payments' list was approved with the caveat that the Clerk to investigate the British Gas Tarriff and usage
- b) Income and expenditure No update quarterly review due in October
- c) S 106 report to receive and approve Cllr Boffy's report. The report was received and approved in full.
- d) To consider and approve transfer of banking arrangements from HSBC to Unity Trust Bank. Considered and approved (items 1-4 were separately considered and approved)
- e) To consider and approve reinvestment of reserves to a higher rate account (i.e., CCLA). Considered and approved detail to be ratified at next meeting.

9. Correspondence

An email had been received from a resident concerning a) the connection of a further electricity supply to the green (Clerk to investigate and report at next meeting) and b) ongoing damage to the verge approaching Morton sewage pumping station caused by lorries needing access for essential work (Chair to write to Severn Trent and Highways Agency to request a meeting to resolve)

- **10. Village Speeding Concerns –** Cllr Price informed that Cllr. Saddington had responded and that there was a meeting to be arranged between Cllr. Price, Cllr Saddington, VIA, and Cllrs from Bleasby (who have similar concerns). Cllr Price to report back.
- **11. Village Green receive update** No further update. The process for procuring works was clarified as being the Councils responsibility, following requests from F.o.G. and approval.
- **12. Sports and Gala Association including Playground report.** No further update from Sports and Gala.

Concerns were raised over several of the findings in section 12 of the report,. It was agreed that the next visit should be expedited and a Resi PD survey be carried out ASAP to establish the condition of the timber.

- **13. Social events** A Christmas event is being considered by FoG. And another wine tasting event is being considered for February.
- **14. Footpaths** It was noted that paths 10 and 11 had now been cut back
- **15. Village maintenance** No further update
- **16. Closure of village pub –** Now reopened, the new tenant had been welcomed.
- 17. Village maintenance receive update on village green upkeep and contract review. Clerk to note, document and progress.
- 18. Date of next meetings:

Monday 16/10/23, Arthur Radford Hall. 7.00 p.m. Monday 04/12/23, Arthur Radford Hall. 7.00 p.m. (amended from 20/11/23) Approved and Calendar to be amended.