

FISKERTON-CUM-MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 20/01/2025

Present: Cllrs H. Boffy (Chair), H. Gibbins, A. Price, C Pogson, D Powell, M Pain. K Melton, S Saddington (part). 4 members of the public.

Cllr. Boffy opened the meeting at 19.00.

124/24 Apologies – acceptance and approval - full attendance

125/24 Declarations of interest – none received

126/24 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18/11/2024 – approved, with one amendment

127/24 Clerk’s update and received correspondence

- a) **Email from a parishioner concerning ongoing village green maintenance**
It was agreed to engage with Brackenhurst College in order to formulate an ongoing strategy for the maintenance and development of the Green. To be initially taken on by Friends of the Green.
- b) **Representation from parishioners concerning gate access on Claypit lane**
Clerk has engaged with N&SDC planning enforcement, correspondence copied to residents (no further action currently).
- c) **Email from a parishioner concerning hedge cutting** Council noted that previous work by the Council was a goodwill gesture, Clerk to review correspondence and re-engage with resident.
- d) **Letter from Elston parish Council re “20s Plenty”** – This to be an Agenda Item for next meeting as part of the Speeding Item (Cllrs Melton and Saddington also provided further insight)

128/24 Reports from District and County Councillors

Cllr. Melton relayed the recent planning decision (rejected) concerning the Kelham Solar panel application. Cllr.Melton also was appraised of the issues raised following an incident with a motor vehicle and a Glass recycling bin.

Cllr Melton expressed an interest in being involved with the FoG/Brackenhurst initiative.

Cllr. Saddington informed Council that the road to Rolleston would be “hotboxed” imminently (date to be confirmed), and would chase up similar work due on Station Road. Cllr. Saddington also reminded Council of some modest availability of a support fund (Clerk to action A.S.A.P.)

129/24 Questions from Members of the Public – None

130/24 Planning applications and decisions:

- a) 24/02223/HOUSE, Riverlyn House Main Street Fiskerton NG25 0UH, New garage – *Supported 6, Opposed nil, Abstentions 0*
- b) 24/02148/TELPA, Telecommunications Mast Middlefield Road Morton
Supported 0, Opposed 6, Abstentions 0. Comments to be communicated to N&SDC for publication
- c) 24/02142/HOUSE, Denham House Back Lane Morton NG25 0UU, Conversion of existing Outbuilding to residential use, ancillary to existing house.
Supported 0, Opposed 4, Abstentions 2. Comments to be communicated to N&SDC for publication
- d) 24/01983/FUL, Fiskerton Lodge Bleasby Road Fiskerton NG25 0XJ,
Replacement dwelling – It was noted that this application had now been refused by N&SDC

131/24 Finance:

- a) **To approve payment list** - approved
- b) **Income and expenditure – to receive the report for Q/E 31/12/24**
Received and approved

132/24 Governance:

- (a) **Appoint the HR Committee.** Cllrs. Boffy, Price and Gibbins were appointed
- (b) **Councillor vacancy** Clerk advised that the Statutory notice has been displayed for the required period, Council may co opt.

Clerk also advised of the commencement of Internal auditor appointment, and outlined the process

133/24 Communications and website The results of the 2024 Survey were discussed; The proposed actions were agreed unanimously.

134/24 Friends of Village Green The Group had met on 16/1/25. Preparations were underway for “Fiskofest 25”. There is a green “tidy Up” scheduled for 8/2/25.

135/24 Sports and gala association The Update from the S&GA was received and noted. Council agreed to financially support the restoration of the Hobby Horse £200. Clerk to also respond to other questions raised in the report.

136/24 Flood Group Cllr, Powell provided an update:-

- a) During the recent floods the wardens activated the new road closure process successfully, working with Cllr. Pogson to keep the community regularly updated. The process worked well but noted that a "Lessons Learned" session will need to be conducted.
- b) We have applied for a grant from NCC for the provision of a flood store which will hold all the flood signage and new flood equipment.
- c) Cllr Powell, and Clerk (Flood Warden) Brian Powell were attending a de-brief at Bleasby, with the intention to team up in future events.

Cllr. Powell also highlighted that following the recent event, it was apparent that we need more wardens as six will be a problem in the event of a major incident.

137/24 Forthcoming social events Whilst it was noted that there no social events currently planned by the P.C., full support and publicity would be given to the events planned by FoG and S&GA

138/24 Footpaths Cllr. Powell advised of a further issue with the stile on path 7A. It was observed that funds were available for repairs/restorations

139/24 Village maintenance

- a) Village Green Tree survey and Replacement Programme
- b) Replacement of Horse Chestnut Tree

Both of these items were to be covered in the engagement with Brackenhurst College.

140/24 Date of next meeting: Monday 10th February 2025 at Fiskerton Revival Centre, Gravelly Lane 7.00 p.m. – CHANGE OF SCHEDULED DATE