

Morningthorpe and Fritton Parish Council

23rd April 2013

A Parish Council meeting was held on Tuesday 23rd April 2013 at The Barn, Friars Farm, Morningthorpe at 7.30pm.

Those present were Councillors P Rodger (Chairman), C McDonnell, D Sargent, S Riches and E Oxe.

Mrs E Riches was present as Clerk – the chairman welcomed her back at the meetings.

1. Apologies were given for District Councillor Mr M Windridge.
2. Declarations of interest were made by D Sargent and C McDonnell re planning application in respect of Friars Farm 2013/0503 this item, 6 on the agenda – S Riches declared a non-pecuniary interest.
3. The minutes of the meetings held 10th and 16th April were signed after a spelling mistake corrected.

The meeting was suspended in case of any members of the public coming in, whilst waiting members talked over about Via Speed signs. As no members of the public had arrived the meeting resumed with:-

4. Correspondence - Items noted were :- Become a Road Safety Volunteer, Notice of election of a County Councillor for Long Stratton, Info from Plus Publishing re Guides, South Norfolk Council Handyman Scheme, Request re consideration of a name sign for at Gowing Way and Notice of Audit -the date for approval of accounts by was noted as 30th June,
5. The matter of provision of Via speed signs was then discussed – it was noted (all Councillors having received copy of info received re the proposed siting of 4 signs from the Project Engineer at Norfolk County Council as to what he would support in way of siting of signs. In view of this, as he would only support one sign – this on Middle Road, after discussion it was agreed that the Council should look to provision of the one sign with application for funding from the Parish Partnership Fund in respect of the cost of this – Cost for the sign, a Via 3003 would be: £3145 plus vat as priced in letter from OST Technology Ltd – Price for cost of installation was still awaited from Norfolk County Council.

The Clerk informed that an intention to apply for funding from the partnership was to be made to Norfolk County Council before 30th April – detail could follow. It was agreed that the Clerk does this and provides cost for installation etc. in due course costs to be for only the one sign. The sign to be on Middle Road for traffic travelling north.

It was agreed that it be seen as to how the one sign worked – the notice taken of it once in place.

Planning

It was noted that the application re variation of condition 1 of PP C/7/2007/7009 re Former sand & Gravel Pit, Land South of Longacre Plantation, Morningthorpe had been determined by Norfolk County Council.

Application re 2013/0503

Cllrs D Sargent and C MacDonnell left the room whilst the application re Friars Farm 2013/0503 Additional Duck Rearing building was considered. The members present then considered it and there was no objection to the proposal.

Cllrs D Sargent and C McDonnell then returned to the meeting.

6. Finance. It was upon a proposal by D Sargent, seconded by S Riches that the Chairman attends training re Chairmanship Skills as to be held on June 10th and 17th at County Hall – cheque to be paid as due.

Clerk reported that the £11.90 re vat on the dog servicing invoice had been paid, that she did not get to the SLCC Annual meeting on 19th April – to have got to Fakenham in time for the items that she wished to be there for would have been too late . She had therefore paid £10 into petty cash to cover her non-attendance (this being the cost of attendance as paid in advance by the Council)

It was agreed that the affiliation fee to Norfolk alc of £92.24 be paid – a cheque was prepared.

It was agreed that copy paper, envelopes and a cartridge for computer be obtained.

7. Annual Parish Council and Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed that the date for the Annual Parish Council and Annual Parish Meetings should be 21st May.

8. Other matters for Report. The clerk informed that she had asked for the Krons to be gritted winter 2013/2014. That she had contacted Saffron and the tenants at Rectory Bungalow , it was understood that hedge would be dealt with as soon as possible.

Hedge requiring attention by the Hollies to be brought to attention.

9. No items were put forward for the next agenda. Next meeting (unless one required prior) to be 21st May as already agreed , then 2nd Tuesday in June.

The meeting was then closed at 8.33pm.