

## MORNINGTHORPE AND FRITTON PARISH COUNCIL

November 10<sup>th</sup> 2015

A Parish Council meeting was held on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 6.30pm at The Barn, Friars Farm, Morningthorpe. Those present were:- Chairman Mr Peter Rodgers and Councillors Mrs C McDonnell, Miss Natalie Cullum, Mr David Sargent and Mr Patick Cooper.

1. Apologies were had been received from District and County Councillor Mrs A Thomas by email and this had been made known to Councillors. She had provided some information regarding the local plan, re development in Long Stratton having been under discussion but no likely planning as yet/ and she also referred to the County Council consultation regarding the budget.
2. There were no declarations of interest in any of the agenda items.
3. Public Period. Mr and Mrs Stretton were present and made their concerns known about the speed of vehicles on the B1527. The need for extension of the 30mph limit being needed – discussion took place about this with the fact that there is the Nursery School along that road being made a point of– it was considered that there should be extension of the 30pmh limit from the Krons to Chestnut Loke. Concern being made that something should be done before there is an accident – this to be made known to Norfolk County Council.

Mr and Mrs Stretton then left the meeting.

4. Minutes of the meeting held 8<sup>th</sup> September were corrected – the correct wording 2015/1924 Meadow House Conversion of garage to annexe was put in and initialled. The minutes were then approved and signed.
5. Speeding. The concerns of Mr and Mrs Stretton were accepted – the Clerk to write to Norfolk County Council and ask for extension of the 30mph limit from the Krons to Chestnut Loke.

As for speeding in Fritton – Fritton Street ( which a parishioner Tobias Ellenor had complained about, and which the Parish Council was concerned about , it was agreed Councillor Cooper should look through papers as from Norfolk County Council to see whether there was anything that could be put to Norfolk County Council for this matter.

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  - a. Speeding of contract tractors – it was reported that this had been dealt with.
  - b. Sheep on the Common – it was reported that this had been dealt with. Sheep were on the common.
  - c. Defibrillator – It was left to Councillor Cooper to find out a view about the having of one in the village. Having one not having been progressed with in 2014.
7. Email from Deborah Sacks - this re Long Stratton Area Action plan. Councillors considered that any comments should be made when final planning application is in.

8. Planning - it was reported that applications 2015/1548 re Oakwood, 2015/1924 re Meadow House, 2015/1809 re Oakwood and 2015/1837 re Oakwood had been approved with conditions .
9. Finance – It was noted that the £20 cash had been withdrawn and placed in petty cash. £136.83 Vat refund and final precept amount of £851.50 paid in – Total of Community acc at 29<sup>th</sup> October £1,120.39 5p interest paid into Business account - balance at 29<sup>th</sup> October £403.07 . 45p interest to Business acc Two - balance at 29<sup>th</sup> October £3414.43 Petty cash £24.80.
10. Budget and precept setting meeting - the date for this to be dealt with at Item 17 .
11. Effectiveness of Audit – that members were happy with this was proposed by N Cullum, seconded by P Cooper
12. Appointment of Internal Auditor – it was proposed by David Sargent, seconded by C McDonnell that Mr John Alexander be this.
13. Clerk had produced all papers that Councillors need to be aware of. These to be passed round to all with names put on the sheet with them on to say they have been seen.
14. Correspondence – that to hand was noted – this included re info from Mr G Halliwell – info re the Memorial matter – this was acceptable. Info re the Bishops letter re Refugee Crisis, re public participation in meetings, the AGM of Norfolkalc , re South Norfolk Local Plan, meeting at Wacton re Village Greens and Common Land , meetings at Hillingdon, networking days for new clerks and councillors , re letter from Eaa ambulance, re Norfolk County Councils consultation. No actions were ordered.
15. Potholes - Clerk had reported potholes – those on Church Lane, Morningthorpe had been dealt with - the one by the drain going out to Fritton Common from School Road had not yet – problem re that drain had been reported by N Cullum.
16. Notice of Clerks resignation – the letter from the Clerk was read out and the chairman wished her well in her retirement. – The notice to have effect from that days date 10<sup>th</sup> November – 30 days notice.

Decision as to action to be taken to advertise the vacancy – this was discussed it was agreed that advertising should be on the Norfolkalc website, in the shop window at Hempnall and on the Morningthorpe Parish Council noticeboard.

Wording was agreed applications to be to Clerk by 30<sup>th</sup> November.

The Clerk had obtained information for Councillors regarding interviewing, aspects of the job, pay, Contract of Employment etc - these from from Norfolk alc all councillors had had copies.

D Sargent had made the point that the Clerk should deal with the Council's website.

It was realised that there could be more cost to the Council – this dependant upon the work, pay scale, whether travelling costs etc . in respect of a new Clerk/RFO.

17. It was agreed that the next meeting should be on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm when there should be interviewing of applicants and then one at 7.30pm upon the agenda for which there would be setting of the Budget and Precept.

The meeting closed as 8.33pm.