

# MORNINGTHORPE AND FRITTON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes of Parish Council meeting held at The Barn, Friars Farm, Morningthorpe  
at 7.00pm on Tuesday 13 November 2018

**Present:** Councillors P Rodger (Chair), W Sargent (Vice-Chair), N Cullum, C McDonnell, P Cooper  
**In attendance:** G Roderick-Jones (Clerk)

The Chairman opened proceedings with a minute's silence to mark the recent death after illness of our dear friend and colleague David Sargent.

1 **Apologies** for absence: District & County Councillor A Thomas

2 **Declarations** of interest: Cllr McDonnell, item 7a, Cllr Sargent item 8

3 **Public discussion:** none

4 **Report from Councillor Thomas:**

Cllr Thomas sent a message to the PC to give the following information:

- The planning application for the Hempnall roundabout is now in the system;
- Long Stratton bypass and development are likely to be out for reconsultation soon in order to reach the Planning Committee by March, and this could include changes to the Hall Lane overbridge, with improved access to Morningthorpe and Fritton;
- the Children's Centre consultation has now ended – if the proposals are accepted, Long Stratton would be the admin hub.

5 **Minutes** of the last meeting held on 11 September 2018 were approved and signed.

6 **Matters arising** from the minutes: Cllr Sargent will go ahead with booking the tree work on the basis of the £640 quote received; the area will also be cleared and tidied, and Cllr Sargent will clear away the wood.

7 **Finances**

a Payment(s) for authorisation AGREED:

Carol McDonnell	£13.00	gift for village sign refurb (reimbursement)
M&F PCC	£300.00	annual donation

b NOTED: Bank balances @ 13 November 2018:

Community Account	£2502.71
Savings 1	£3422.29
Savings 2	£3.60
TOTAL	£5928.60
unpresented cheques:	nil

c Barclays documents: Barclays insist on our refreshing our account information: form signed by Chairman for return to bank.

8 **Planning Issues (previously circulated to councillors)**

- 2018/2104 nr the Pond, Fritton Common, removal of 2 trees – NO OBJECTION
- 2018/2096 land west of The Common, Fritton: 2 dwellings – NO OBJECTION (this has just been refused but will be the subject of an appeal)
- 2018/2264 Manor Farm, The Common, Fritton: reduction of horse chestnut – NO OBJECTION

**9 Community defibrillator update**

We still await a date for the work to be carried out by UK Power Networks. This needs to be done (or at least a date set) before obtaining the go-ahead from SNDC Listed Building planners. Clerk to follow up.

**10 Highways Issues**

- The eroded roadway on Edges Lane has not been attended to – clerk will follow up.
- A resident has complained by email about anti-social behaviour and speeding by a neighbour along the Common in Fritton. After detailed discussion the council concluded that this was not a Parish Council matter, but a matter which should be reported to the police if this behaviour constitutes a danger to the public. The clerk will reply to this effect, and also to remind the complainant of discussions some time ago in which the possibility was mentioned to him of setting up a voluntary Speedwatch team in the community.
- a resident has complained about a tree branch overhanging his garage from The Common; Cllr Cullum will provide Cllr Sargent's contact details, and Cllr Sargent will look into the issue.
- Speed limit signs on School Road are being obscured by overgrown hedges, which need to be trimmed. Clerk will contact Highways.

**11 Correspondence** as circulated and as discussed above: noted

**12 Any Other Business/Items for Next Agenda**

**items for next agenda** as noted in minutes above, and

- 2019/20 budget and precept demands (to be circulated before the next meeting)
- appointment of new Tree Warden

**13 Next meeting:** Tuesday 8 January 2019 at 6.30pm

NOTE: 2019 meetings will continue to be held on the second Tuesday of all odd-numbered months.