

MORNINGTHORPE AND FRITTON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes of Parish Council meeting held at The Barn, Friars Farm, Morningthorpe
at 7.00pm on Tuesday 11 September 2018

Present: Councillors W Sargent (Vice-Chair), N Cullum, C McDonnell, P Cooper

In attendance: G Roderick-Jones (Clerk), District & County Councillor A Thomas

1 **Apologies** for absence: Cllr P Rodger

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

3 **Public discussion:** A member of the public raised concerns over a likely increase in traffic through Fritton during work on the new Hempnall Roundabout on the A140, due to start in March 2019. Could a temporary lower speed limit be imposed during this period? Cllr Thomas pointed out that the new roundabout was to be constructed to one side of the current crossroads, so disruption would only happen during the final phase of the work, which would be for a limited period.

4 **Report from Councillor Thomas:**

District Council:

- Collaboration between Broadland and South Norfolk continues, and the next development will be the appointment of a joint Chief Executive.

County Council:

- NCC have made an application for funding for the Long Stratton bypass, and if successful this will mean that NCC retain responsibility for the maintenance of the bypass. Decisions regarding the original applications for the developments in the area will come soon following a period of consultation, and could involve revision of some parts of the plans..
- Budgets are still an issue at NCC and proposals are expected soon.
- With the consultation now over, Norfolk PCC is to decide if he wishes to proceed with plans to merge the Fire and Rescue Service with the Police.

5 **Minutes** of the last meeting held on 10 July 2018 were approved and signed.

6 **Matters arising** from the minutes: none

7 **Finances**

a Payment(s) for authorisation AGREED:

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| Carol McDonnell | £13.00 | gift for village sign refurb (reimbursement) |
| (deferred to next meeting for lack of two authorised signatories excl. Cllr McDonnell) | | |
| M&F PCC | £300.00 | annual donation |
| (deferred to next meeting due to very recent death of PCC Treasurer) | | |
| Norfolk ALC | £132.75 | annual subscription |

b NOTED: Bank balances @ 6 September 2018:

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| Community Account | £1393.46 |
| Savings 1 | £3420.58 |
| Savings 2 | £3.60 |
| TOTAL | £4821.24 |
| unpresented cheques: | nil |

c Barclays have confirmed new arrangements having added Cllr W Sargent and removed Cllr D Sargent

8 Planning Issues

- Cllr Sargent has received a quote from a tree surgeon for the work on two trees at the pond on Fritton Common which are causing visibility problems along that stretch of road- £640 to remove both trees and associated materials. They are both large – an ash and a willow – and it was agreed that these are reasonable quotes. One approach would be to deal with the trees this winter, and the pond clearout next year. Cllr Sargent will contact the SNDC Tree Officer, Robin Taylor, and also has a meeting in October with Natural England and will raise these issues with them.
Proposal: that we tackle the trees this year and the pond clearance next year: proposed Cllr McDonnell, seconded Cllr Cullum, and agreed unanimously
- 2018/1741 Pittsfield, The Common, addition of garden room – NO OBJECTION

9 Community defibrillator update

BT inform us that UK Power Networks have confirmed that there is no power supply to the telephone kiosk and that it would cost us over £1,000 to have the power supply connected. Because we have no alternative location for a community defibrillator, BT Operations Manager has finally agreed that they, BT, will foot the bill. Once we have confirmation that this has been done (and they cannot promise a date as this will be up to UK Power) we can get the necessary permission from SNDC Listed Buildings.

10 Highways Issues

- The eroded roadway on Edges Lane has not been attended to – clerk will follow up.
- It has been suggested that people be encouraged to report Highways issues via FillThatHole.org.uk
- The NCC Rangers will be in the area soon. Councillors are asked to submit items to the clerk this week or over the coming weekend in order that they can be submitted on time.

11 Correspondence as noted above

12 Any Other Business/Items for Next Agenda
items for next agenda as noted in minutes above

13 Next meeting: Tuesday 13 November 2018 at 6.30pm