Morningthorpe and Fritton Parish Council

Draft minutes of Parish Council meeting held at The Barn, Friars Farm, Morningthorpe

at 6.30pm on Tuesday 10 March 2020

**Present**: Cllrs P Rodger (Chair), W Sargent (Vice Chair), C McDonnell

**In attendance:** G Roderick-Jones (Clerk)

1 **Apologies** for absence: Cllrs P Cooper, N Cullum

2 **Declarations** of interest: none

3 **Public discussion:** none

4 **Report from County & District Councillors:** none

5 **Minutes** of the last meeting held on 14 January 2020 were approved and signed

6 **Matters arising** from the minutes: Cllr Sargent confirmed that Natural England are happy for the PC to proceed with necessary pond work as long as this is done in a sensitive way and at the appropriate time of the year. This will include removal of rushes. Because the newt breeding season is about to start this will be done in the autumn (to remain on the agenda).

7 **Finances:**

 a Bank balances @ 4 March 2020 NOTED:

 Community Account £2549.26 Savings 1 £3432.04

 Savings 2 £1061.38

 TOTAL £7042.68

 b Payments for authorisation APPROVED:

 Gareth Roderick-Jones salary March 2019 – Feb 2020 £1126.82 HMRC PAYE £281.70 Gareth Roderick-Jones admin expenses 2019-2020 £137.49 Morningthorpe & Fritton PCC annual donation £300.00

 Proposed by W Sargent, seconded by C McDonnell and agreed by all.

 Notes: payment to Evolutionary Joinery for repairs to Fritton noticeboard deferred pending completion of work. Future donations to PCC to be paid at September or November meetings.

**8 Planning applications** already circulated to councillors:

 a 2020/0151 Elm House, The Common, Fritton: first floor side extension (DECIDED)

 b 2020/0241 Preston Barn, Hempnall Road: single storey side orangery (NO COMMENT)

 c 2020/0340 Island HO, The Common, Fritton: replace barn w/garage (NO COMMENT)

 d 2020/0398 Preston Barn, Hempnall Road: 3-bay cart shed (NO COMMENT)

 e late applications if any (none)

**9 Update on funding for community defibrillator**

 Cllr Sargent has spoken to a qualified electrician who will charge £100 to install the earth in the telephone kiosk and the defibrillator when it arrives. The clerk will now check all details and order the defib package including the defibrillator, the cabinet and the training session, and also telephone kiosk “defibrillator” signs.

**10 Community Litterpick**

 The clerk has checked with SNDC, and the PC are entitled to participate in SNDC Big Litterpick despite having taken delivery of their own litterpick equipment. This means the PC will re ceive £20 for participating, enter the £200 prizedraw, and SNDC will collect the filled bags af ter the litterpick on receipt of a completed form (clerk will re-send the information including the Completion Form to the councillors). The Litterpick will take place on 18 April 2020 start ing at Patrick's house (pending confirmation from Patrick on his return).

**11 Community noticeboards:**

 Repairs to the Fritton noticeboard are ongoing.

 The Morningthorpe noticeboard will be halfway along the gravel pull-in outside St John's, in line with the church board but several metres away from it. This was decided by the PC, who have also obtained the agreement of the PCC. The clerk will complete the paperwork to se cure NCC Highways' permission.

**12 Correspondence:** as already circulated to councillors

**13 Any Other Business/Items for Next Agenda** as noted above

**14 Arrangements for Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Councillor**

APM will start at 6.30pm and will be followed by the Annual Meeting of the PC at approximately 7.00pm.

**15** **Next meeting:** Tuesday 12 May 2020 at 6.30pm (as above)