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Minutes of a meeting of Parson Drove Parish Council

Held on 8th June 2022 at 19:00

Notices of the meeting were posted on the village notice board and on the council's website, giving members of the public the opportunity to participate.

In attendance were Parish Councillors: G Booth (Chairman), P Spriggs, P Williams, J Hunt, R Fowler & P Unwin.

Also in attendance were and CCC S King, Clerk David Boyce as well as three members of the public.

Cllr G Booth Chaired the meeting and opened it at 19:03.

123/22. To agree the apologies

The Council acknowledged the granted dispensation for Cllr Killingworth. The Chairman informed the Council that he had a meeting scheduled with Cllr Killingworth to discuss.

124/22. To receive requests for Dispensations and record interests

Cllrs Booth and Hunt acknowledged their personal interests in item 138/22. Cllr Booth reminded Members that they could give their interests at any time during the meeting.

125/22. Open Forum – Public participation.

The Council were presented with a painting of the village sign completed by Thora Jarvis. The Council purchased Mrs Jarvis some flowers to say thank you for the kind donation, which would be hung in the Village Hall.

A representative from the Murrow Street Pride informed the Council of their successful afternoon tea and that the summer planting had been completed.

A representative from the Speedwatch Committee told the Council that that Cambs. Police had taken some further steps including now sending letters to speeders from outside the County, a way to report those vehicles who have no tax nor MOT and recognising the success of this group by trialling some new equipment that would reduce the number of required volunteers at each location. The Chairman acknowledged their local successes and being recognised as such for the trial equipment.

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126/22. To agree the minutes of the meeting on 11th May 2022

The Council **agreed** the minutes of the meeting on 11th May 2022.

126/22 a. Matter arising from previous minutes not covered on the agenda (for information only)

106/22. a. The Council were updated that the works were a fortnight overdue, with the reason given that they had not got the Highways, with the works now anticipated on the 9th June 2022. The Council **agreed** to chase the Sealeys Lane and Main Road junction quotes again, which had still not been received.

106/22. g. Cllr Booth told the Council that the Fen Road plans extend to Honey Corner and are now ready to go to consultation. The 231 metres excluded from the 40mph scheme currently to Clough Bridge had also been brought up, where the Chairman was to attend a meeting and represent the Council with CCC King and Highways. It was also noted that a Memorandum of Understanding had been proposed and signed by the Chairman for the SID.

114/22. It was explained that the Jubilee Tree needed caring for until the end of the Summer before it could be planted. The Clerk explained that there were multiple options for a Jubilee plaque and asked for some direction, where it was requested some options be brought to the next agenda.

116/22. The Fenland District Council response to the Fly Tipping correspondence sent was to inform that, according to their figures the instances had fallen across the District and that CCTV was an issue as it was getting stolen. It was suggested to report the instances witnessed more often to Fenland District Council at <https://www.fenland.gov.uk/article/14907/Report-fly-tipping>

The Chairman had also had some feedback regarding getting the Cage reopened, where an agenda item for painting the Cage had been requested for the next meeting. The storage of the documents was brought up, where Cllr Williams volunteered to organise the 6 boxes required for archiving.

127/22. To receive the District Councillors Report

FDC Bligh told the Council that she had been informed of parking issues behind the Cage with some residents, that the Local Boundary Review had now been closed and that the fence near John Bends Way was still down, but she was persevering with it. FDC Booth confirmed that the Parish Councils submission to the LGBCE had been submitted.

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128/22. To receive the County Councillors Report

CCC King had sent a report earlier that day to the Council, which explained such as Clough Bridge repair works being scheduled for the 4th July, Cllr Booth confirmed that he had emailed Officers to request the bridge is open for the Cra Show. The Council accepted the report. The Council were asked for feedback to a temporary measure of an overlay scheme to address undulations in Black Drove, which they agreed to as something is better than nothing but explained the concerns for the effectiveness of the suggestion. Other roads were identified for having undulations. The Council reiterated to CCC King the importance of having the white lines on the side of Long Drove repainted as previously requested, as well as the planings being sealed.

129/22. Highways Matters

129/22. a. To report any new street lighting faults

It was **agreed** to report PC11 on Main Road, which had been replaced but not connected to the National Grid. It was also **agreed** to report PC4 Fen Road as it had been flickering for 8 months.

129/22. b. To consider adopting FPC8 from Wisbech St Mary PC

The Council were informed by FDC Bligh that the streetlights asset value would be £463.56, that there had been two which were bought half each and one of those had already been adopted by Wisbech St Mary. The Council **agreed** to adopt the streetlight.

129/22. c. The Council acknowledged the road closure between Fen Road and Long Drove from 30/08/2022 to 31/08/2022

129/22. d. The Council acknowledged the road closure between Marshalls Bank Junction and 323 metres South of the junction from 22/02/2023 to 29/03/2023 for the water pipe scheme.

129/22. e. The Council acknowledged the road closure between Harrolds Bank and a point 930 metres East of the road from 23/01/2023 – 03/03/2023 for the water pipe scheme.

129/22. f. The Council acknowledged the road closure on Back Road between 24/08/2022 to 26/08/2022

129/22. g. The Council acknowledged the various road closures between 01/08/2022 to 31/01/2024 for resurfacing footpaths and rights of way

129/22. h. The Council acknowledged the new gritting scheme schedule

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130/22. Planning application decision updates

130/22 a. The Council noted the application decision of F/YR22/3046/COND Details reserved by condition 3 (temporary facilities) of planning permission F/YR22/0110/F (Erect 1 x dwelling (2-storey 3-bed) with integral garage involving demolition of existing dwelling and alterations to existing access, and temporary siting of a caravan during construction)
Fairview Barn Johnsons Drove Parson Drove Wisbech Cambridgeshire PE13 4JS as Approved

130/22. b. The Council noted the application decision of F/YR22/0356/NONMAT Non-Material Amendment: amendment to condition 2 (materials) relating to planning permission F/YR17/0770/F (Conversion of existing barn to form 2-storey 2-bed dwelling including raising the roof to accommodate the first floor and a single-storey side extension involving the formation of a new access and demolition of existing lean-to shed and farm out-buildings together with the formation of a new vehicular access) to enable upvc to be used for doors and windows instead of timber The Barn Clough Cross Farm Marshalls Bank Parson Drove Cambridgeshire PE13 4JE as Approved

130/22. c. The Council noted the application decision of F/YR22/3019/COND Details reserved by Condition 09 (Energy Assessment) and 12 (Levels) of planning permission F/YR19/0971/O (Erect up to 5 dwellings (outline application with matters committed in respect of access)) (Plot 4 only)
Land East Of The Silverings 114 Main Road Parson Drove Cambridgeshire as Approved

130/22. d. The Council noted the application decision of F/YR22/0201/F Erect a double stable and hay store on skids and formation of a hardstanding
Land East Of Downyonder Harolds Bank Parson Drove Cambridgeshire Granted

130/22. e. F/YR22/0110/F Erect 1 x dwelling (2-storey 3-bed) with integral garage involving demolition of existing dwelling and alterations to existing access, and temporary siting of a caravan during construction
Fairview Johnsons Drove Parson Drove Cambridgeshire PE13 4JS as Granted

130/22. f. The Council noted the application decision of F/YR22/0081/TRTPO Works to 2no Sycamore Trees covered by TPO 03/2011
103 Main Road Parson Drove Wisbech Cambridgeshire PE13 4LA as approved

131/22. Planning applications for comment

131/22. a. The Council considered the application F/YR22/0554/F | Erect a single-storey garage to front of existing dwelling involving formation of a dropped kerb | Carling 21 Fen Road Parson Drove Wisbech Cambridgeshire PE13 4JP where it was **agreed** to recommend for refusal, with material considerations given to the detriment it would bring to the street scene as it would be out of character, the loss of amenity to their neighbours including light which had prevailed for longer than

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20 years, it was a development in front of the building line and the Highways access issues it would cause for the neighbouring properties losing visibility. The Chairman told the Council that an objector had contacted him and the Vice explained he had had two people contact him, who were all directed to the Fenland District Council planning portal to represent their objections for themselves.

132/22. The Council **agreed** the payments of the Council

132/22. a. Payments to make

- i. Clerks Salary (£486.03)
- ii. Working from home allowance (£25.00)
- iii. Postage costs (£4.08)
- iv. Microsoft 365 annual package (£59.99 including £10.00 VAT)
- v. Rachael's Plant Outlet Jubilee tree (£84.00 including £14.00 VAT)
- vi. CAPALC membership (£512.07)

132/22 b. The Council **agreed** payments made

- i. E-On (£33.00)
- ii. Wave (£20.00)
- iii. EE Telephone bill (£22.80 including £3.80 VAT)
- iv. Zurich insurance policy (£936.63)

133/22. To receive the internal auditors report

The Council received the report and took note of the recommendations. The internal auditors report responses were **agreed**.

134/22. To complete the AGAR and annual audit return

The Council **agreed** the AGAR and duly signed the correct sections, ready for public display.

135/22. To consider erecting a bench

The Council had received correspondence from a member of the public requesting a bench near a recently installed bin. It was discussed of what sort and how to install it, as well as how to fund it. It was agreed to create a scheme to propose to the Wryde Croft Wind Farm to erect benches at the following locations;

- 1 at Back Road, Murrow
- 3 on the Riverbank
- 1 and the end of the bowling green
- 1 outside the Doctors Surgery

It was also **agreed** to cost wooden and recycled plastic options as well as consider the £500.00 of legal work required.

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136/22. To receive the tree report

The Council received the tree report as explained by the Clerk. The recommendations were noted and it was **agreed** to apply for permission ready for being able to create a job specification for the end of the season. It was also **agreed** to request that BT and the UK Power Networks be contacted to rectify some of the trees growing through power lines.

137/22. To hear the progress of the Website Working Party

The Council were informed that, of all the companies approached, one had only just come back with a three-year quote including building and hosting for £1500.00 including VAT. A conversation about the difficulties of consistency in getting things put onto the website, how out of date some of the content is and how inconsistent the posting of information was. It was **agreed** for Cllr Unwin to contact S3S to discuss options they could provide before a decision would be made.

138/22. To receive the Amenities 95 report

Cllr Hunt told the Council that sadly three groups had moved, the parent and toddler group, the yoga group and the pilates group. A review of costings had been undertaken by the committee where it was found that the pricing was similar to many other local village halls and that it cost more to provide the space than it took in for the service provided already. Cllr Hunt also informed the Council that he had set up a website and was looking into a mobile app for the Village Hall too.

139/22. To receive the Police report

Cllr Unwin told the Council that the meeting scheduled to replace the previously cancelled one was cancelled. It was also noted that all monthly information had stopped. It was requested to inform the Police that the Phantom Pigeon shooter had returned to the Green, having left a pile of corpses at the base of a tree, as well as requesting some information and updates as to what was going on with the policing locally.

140/22 To collate agenda items for the next meeting

- To agree the commemorative Jubilee plaque.
- To discuss the painting of the Cage.
- To discuss the proposed 20 mph scheme

It was noted here by the Chairman that the Council had been approached by ITV requesting support to complete a follow up programme on the 14th June 2022 to the one shot in 1978 to look at rural life, where people from the Community were discussed and suggested.

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141/22. To agree a date, time and venue of next meeting

It was **agreed** to meet at the Village Hall on the 13th July 2022

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21:27