

FLINTHAM PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of a Meeting of the parish council held in the Village Hall, Monday, March 19, 2018 at 6.30pm**

Couns. David Cartledge (Chairman)

Ken W Russell (Vice chairman) Debra Pennington

Sue Clayton

Paul Brookes

Scott Miller

Matthew Wakefield

Also, present: The clerk Mike Elliott, Notts County Council member Coun. Francis Purdue-Horan, Rushcliffe Borough Council member Coun. Sarah Bailey and 1 member of the public.

- 1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE There were none
- 2] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 5, 2018 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman
- 3] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none

4] CLERK'S REPORT

Data protection discussions continue –emails, DPO appointment. In regard to emails he had obtained a figure from Adrian Fretwell of Sibthorpe who willing to set up the individual emails for each councillor –eg Bill Smith @ Flintham.parish.email -- at £5 per year per address, eg for Flintham £35 a year excluding District and County Council members. The same firm are willing to take on DPO officer position that by law we have to have for £150 a year. If attendance was ever needed at a meeting there would be a charge of £30 Firms of solicitors who are offering the service are charging £600 - £800.

A Retention Policy is required for general mail / emails and it was agreed this be six years. The clerk will read through anything older than the retention time and decide if it can be shredded or if kept, establish an on-line file to record what is being kept over the time and why. It was accepted the work could not be undertaken within the normal hours the clerk is paid and would agree to a supplementary charge when the work was complete. The council approved the purchase of a two-drawer lockable filing cabinet.

5] REPORT FROM THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER

Coun. Bailey reported on the situation concerning the former Islamic school and said Rushcliffe Borough Council were intending to go to court to seek sanction to demolish the remains of the officers mess and to have a charge put on the land to recoup their costs if the owners did not carry out this work by mid-April. She reported that over the next three years the Borough were to make £50,000 available to parishes for tree planting. Rushcliffe had she said agreed to put in £10,000 to a county-wide scheme to provide a memorial for all the 14,000 Nottingham and Nottinghamshire men and women who had perished while taking part in the First World War. The names of everyone who died would be listed.

Coun. Purdue-Horan said the County Council had been completing the work of issuing the annual Council tax figures.

6] CORRESPONDENCE

Will Bruce local weather service details were received but members did not wish to take advantage of it. Rushcliffe Borough Council advised they were again giving 100 per cent discount on council tax for the village burial ground. A letter from Flintham Sports and Social Association expressing concern over a manhole cover on the playing field was to be dealt with by the chairman. Playsafety Rospa would be carrying out the annual safety check on the council play equipment during May and June.

Notts County Council gave notice of resurfacing Byway No. 9, advising the route would be closed for five days to allow the work to be undertaken. The council agreed to give support to the efforts by Sir Robert Hildyard of Flintham Hall to have telegraph poles on Spring Lane moved underground. Notts CPRE advised of details for the Notts Best Kept village 2018 competition and it was agreed to enter. Mr Ian Munroe gave thanks on behalf of the parish church for the £300 grass cutting grant. It was agreed to repeat the payment for the 2018-19 financial year. A letter was received advising of details of the Co-Op Local Cause Fund.

The council agreed to suspend standing orders to allow participation in the meeting by Mr Digby ##### during which time he read out his letters concerning the decision of the council not to oppose the planning application involving the use of land on Flintham Lane at Screveton for the stationing of caravans for residential use. He criticised the council for not giving support to the adjacent parish and voiced his opposition to the new use of the open countryside site. The application to the Borough council had been refused.

There was also strong concern expressed on the dangers created by inconsiderate parking by parents taking and collecting their children to and from the village school. It was accepted the problem was not confined to Flintham but this did not mean action was not required. The possibility of introduction of yellow lines was discussed. The resident raised his concerns on the possibility of use of open land in the parish by travellers.

The meeting lifted the suspension of Standing Orders to further consider the situation and agreed to look at the overall position at its next meeting.

7] PLANNING MATTERS

Rushcliffe Borough Council applications

There were none

Rushcliffe Borough Council decisions

18/00030/ful. J Webster, Field on Flintham Lane, Screveton, material change of use of land for stationing caravans for residential occupation with associated hard standing, internal access road, fencing, packing treatment plant, utility buildings and landscaping. Refuse.

8] SPORTS GROUND AND PLAY PARK

The question of provision of new gates halfway into the field to allow for a parking area on the road side of such an area was discussed. Pedestrian access would be available at all times. The matter was to be further discussed. The council were supportive of the suggestion. The costing of such provision was to be investigated.

9] ENVIRONMENT.

The chairman said the scouts had agreed to organise a litter pick for the village. Arrangements for the November 11 event to mark the commemoration of the centenary of the ending of WW1 were proceeding.

The continuing problem of dog fouling instances was discussed and it was agreed this be highlighted on the website and in the newsletter. Coun. Pennington said the Borough Dog Warden had made contact with one dog owner.

10] SEPTEMBERFEST

The event for 2018 would be held on September 15 on the sports field. Coun. Clayton and the clerk were to itemize publish the accounts for the 2017 event. Coun. Clayton was to visit the local resident who had made use of the marquee but not returned it to the agreed storage site.

11] FINANCE --

- a) Payment of Accounts were approved as per the circulated list .
- b) Appointment of David Dixon as Internal Auditor was confirmed.
- c) Appointment of Data Protection Officer Adrian Fretwell was approved.

12] NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE

It was confirmed the website should be used for the publishing of details for planning applications involving the village.

13] ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS FROM COUNCILLORS – APRIL 30, 2018. The situation over general problem caused by parking near the village school be considered.

14] PUBLIC SESSION

Nothing was raised.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.38pm.