

DRINKSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES

of an Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on
Monday 5th June 2017

Present: Cllrs Cousins, Hembra, Lambert, Moss, Schofield, Thurlow, Youngs (Ch)

Attending: County Council Ward Member Cllr Penny Otton (part)
Parish Clerk Mr Peter Dow
6 members of the public

- 17.06.01 **Noted:**
That there were no apologies for absence.
- 17.06.02 **Noted:**
That when any Members' Declarations of Local Non-Pecuniary Interests and/or Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in subsequent Agenda items were invited along with any additions and/or deletions to the Council's Register of Interests, none were forthcoming.
- 17.06.03 **Resolved:**
That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th May 2017, as tabled, be agreed as a true record.
- 17.06.04 **Noted:**
The following correspondence:
04.1 A resident's suggestion that a 'Slow' sign would be appropriate on Woolpit Road prior to the Beyton Road junction prompted discussion confirming general support for signage to address the clear hazard highlighted by the proposal and the agreement of Cllr Otton that she would raise the matter with SCC Highways, including the problem of the adjacent beech hedge which affects visibility.
04.2 Cllr Otton also undertook to raise further Highways concerns emerging from the discussion, being:
04.2.1 The overdue cutting of the verges, particularly at the Tostock Road end of the Park Road crossroads ;
04.2.2 The continuing flooding problem on the footpath between Gedding Road & Chapel Lane, seemingly the result of the infilling of the drainage ditch;
04.2.3 The failure to complete the resurfacing exercise at Cross Street where the stretch from the concrete pad to Lane End Cottage has been ignored;
04.2.4 Hazardous encroachment on to the highway of overgrowth creating a serious narrowing of Park Road at its Beyton Road end where there is an immediate need for the skirting-back of both verges.
- 17.06.05 **Noted:**
05.1 A written report from District Council Ward Member Cllr Penny Otton;
05.2 A written report from Cllr Hembra as Portfolio Holder for the playing field;
05.3 Cllr Schofield gave an oral report on the footpaths. The resurgence of complaints about dog fouling was noted and that 6 warning signs against such behaviour were now in place with a further 6 still to be sited. The Clerk noted 2 maintenance matters requiring notification to SCC and also undertook to secure a ROW cutting schedule.
- 17.06.06 **Noted:**
That when any public comment or question was invited on any Agenda item none was forthcoming.
- 17.06.07 **Noted:**
That there was no report from the Parish Clerk.
- 17.06.08 **Resolved:**
That this Council approves the Accounts for the 12 months ended 31.03.17, as tabled, and authorises the Chairman and Responsible Finance Officer to sign them as approved.

- 17.06.09 **Noted:**
 Authorised payments:
 9.3 Peter Dow £158.17 Santander 200438 salary
 9.4 Top Gardens £62.50 Santander 200439 contract
 9.5 Village Hall Committee £7.05 Santander 200440 defib. insurance
- 17.06.10 **Noted:**
 Payments for authorisation:
 10.1 26.04.17 ref 19142 SALC Subscription £245.17
- 17.06.11 **Noted:**
 The current account balances and reconciliation, as scheduled, and the Chairman's confirmation that they are supported by relevant Bank Statements.
- 12.06.12 **Noted:**
 Planning result as notified by MSDC:
 12.1 0900/17 Formation of new vehicular access
 Shrublands, Rattlesden Road GRANTED DPC supported
- 12.06.13 **Noted:**
 That there were no other Planning matters for information, to be noted or for inclusion on a future agenda.
- 12.06.14 **Noted:**
 That when any public comment or questions on any matter of Council business was invited none were forthcoming.
- 12.06.15 **Noted:**
 The following when any other Council business for information, to be noted or for inclusion on a future agenda was invited:
 15.1 Cllr Cousins agreed to liaise with Rev Ruth Farrell, and report back to Council, regarding the suggestion from the General Synod that clergy discuss with their local councils how to react in the case of the death of one of our senior Royals
- 12.06.16 **Noted:**
 That the date for the next Ordinary Meeting of Council is Monday 3rd July.
- 12.06.17 **Noted:**
 That the meeting closed at 8.38pm.