

# THORNGUMBALD, CAMERTON & RYEHILL PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19 JULY 2023

Present: Cllrs Adamson, Bottomley, Ferrier, Forrester, Hardcastle, Huckstep, Kirlew-Morris, Melia-Craven, Steel, Twidal

Guests: Ward Councillors – J Dennis, S Gallant, S Steel  
4 Members of Public

673. **Declaration of Interest:**

None

674. **Apologies for absence:**

None

675. **Confirmation of Minutes:**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2023 were **RESOLVED** as a correct record of the proceedings thereat. Cllrs Ferrier, Huckstep, Melia-Craven, Steel abstained due to not attending the meeting.

676. **Clerk's Report:**

- ERYC have informed me that the occupiers of the property on Church Lane are applying for Planning Permission to retain the large advertising banner erected at the front of the property. I have asked ERYC to confirm that we will be notified when planning permission is received.
- ERNLLCA are looking into arranging a course for playground inspection, Operation Inspector & Maintenance Course - 2 days offers a formal qualification that qualifies people for 3 years to perform inspections. They currently do not have sufficient interest but I have registered an interest for our maintenance team should it happen.
- All 3 defibrillators are now back live on 'The Circuit' and emergency ready.
- During the 'Scarecrow' Weekend it was reported on 'Facebook' that there was a broken fence panel, this was brought to my attention from Cllr Kirlew-Morris in an email and the fence was repaired on the Monday. As you are aware the whole fence is being replaced (slower than expected due to being 1 man down), however this type of incident should be reported direct to the Council office either via email or telephone as I do not regularly check Facebook.
- A resident, when replying to a Journal article, also asked if the grass cuttings could be removed when the grass is cut. I explained that when the grass is cut by the maintenance team, the cutter mulches the grass and leaves minimal cuttings, however the football club do sometimes cut their pitches in between cuts and leave their cuttings at the side of the pitches, when the pitch is cut again by the maintenance team, it not only causes problems for our tractor/cutter it leaves large clumps of grass on the field. I have asked the Football Club to put their grass cuttings around the edge of the field and not leave them in the middle so hopefully this problem will be resolved. She appreciated the reply and found the information useful.
- I have again requested ERYC replace or repaint the '40mph' signs as you enter the village from the bye-pass and am waiting a response.

- In error I uploaded Members Disposal Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary interests onto website without removing last page. These were removed immediately and I have reported the incident to the ICO who have acknowledged the breach and will contact me again should they need any further information.
- Presenting the Silver Salver – It would be nice if this could be done during a service at St Mary's as the recipients are regular helpers. I have contacted Ken Wilson to ask when the next service is and am waiting for him to return my call.
- Thanks to Cllr Rogers who judged the allotment competition, the winners will be notified.

677. **Receive Information:**

- ERYC, Anti-Social Behaviour Data for South West Holderness was emailed to all councillors for information.
- National Highways & Transport (NHT) Public Satisfaction Survey was emailed to all councillors for their comments.
- ERYC – SH082 T&PC Design Code Update was emailed to all councillors for their comments.
- Ward Cllr S Steel gave an update regarding the property on Thorneycroft Road, she explained that ERYC would be serving a formal notice pursuant to Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Act (1990) to the owner of the property, and that they would have 28 days to appeal. She told the meeting that Cllr Leo Hammond Cabinet Member for Planning, Communities and Public Protection gave his support that this notice should be served.
- HART invited members to their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations to be held on 1 August 2023, anyone wishing to attend should inform the Clerk ASAP.
- Personnel committee had met to discuss advertising for a new maintenance person – will update in due course.
- Due to a change to circumstances K Waudby would not be able to accept the position of Councillor, the vacancy will be re-advertised with ERYC.
- **ERYC – Planning Decisions**
- **NONE**

678. **To Resolve:**

- **The Journal Committee seek Parish Council approval to move publication of The Journal to on line with immediate effect. We base this proposal on:-**
  - Over a thousand views online in the first 14 days according to 'Nextdoor'.
  - The few replies received from Parishioners expressed a preference for on line.
  - Office for National Statistics reports that 92% of adults in the UK were recent internet users, only 6.3% of UK adults had never used the internet and 81% of adults with disabilities were internet users.
  - Savings to the local tax payer of printing costs and potential to renegotiate the photocopier contract.
  - More professional appearance when seen in full colour.
  - Fulfilling our commitment on sustainability.
  - Issues with delivery of paper version to every household.
  - There was no outcry when the Journal was not produced during Covid and there has been overall apathy since its reintroduction.

- As an interim measure we would like to approach the Co-op on Main Road and Bridgeman News Ltd, Church Lane to establish if they would be prepared to hold 50 print copies each for Parishioners to pick up if they prefer and to contact the office if there is greater demand. This number can be regularly reviewed.
- This proposal was discussed at length, some councilors expressed their concern for those who do not have access to online, they have received positive feedback from residents when hand delivered – following a vote, the proposal was 5 in favour and 6 against the publication moving to on line with immediate effect - **REFUSED** This can be brought back to the table in 6 months.
- Letter received from 'Hedgehogs R Us, raising awareness in their battle to prevent the extinction of hedgehogs. A large number of Town and Parish Councils are already involved in 'Hedgehog Highway Project' a 5inch Hedgehog shaped fence surround, the gap allows them to forage for food. A box of £50 cost £150 together with information leaflets. It was agreed to purchase a box and offer to any resident FOC who wanted to take part - **RESOLVED**
- A resident has requested a 'Zebra Crossing' on the Main Road, opposite Willingham Garth, it was explained that this was discussed a number of years ago and ERYC decided to install it at the top of Beech Avenue instead. Clerk was asked to contact ERYC regarding the possibility of it being moved, and to look at installing an additional crossing at Marsh Lane, Ryehill
- A resident has approached the Parish Council to organise and co-ordinate a reading group at Village Hall Thorngumbald. She is looking at holding this the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month for approximately 1 hour. She is asking if, in the first instance, the Parish Council would agree to free taster sessions to establish if it is of interest to residents. Following discussion, it was agreed to 1hr each month for 6 months free of charge, following which the current hourly charge will be incurred. It was suggested that if successful, the group look at funding for the future - **RESOLVED**.
- ERNLLCA – Chairmanship Training – Cllrs Adamson and Twidal both expressed an interest in this training, which will be via Zoom. Clerk to book places.

**Planning Application:**

- **23/01632/PLF** - 9 Fieldside Close, Thorngumbald – Erection of single storey extensions to side and rear and conversion of garage into additional living accommodation - **RESOLVED**

## Accounts for Payment

### Parish – 22 June 2023 – 19 July 2023

Defib Warehouse – Defib AED battery	346.80
Rialtas Business – support & maintenance licence	175.26
Public Sector Audit – Year-End Internal audit	602.80
Lyreco – paper	271.20
Wel Medical – disposable IPAD	279.54
Ryehill Building Supplies – maintenance	20.13
Supplies – cleaning	99.36
Tony Cook Ltd – maintenance	14.14
ERNLLCA – whole council training	240.00
All Star – fuel	66.32
All Star – fuel	36.28
HSBC – bank charges – 16.7.23	22.01
Eon – Electricity	252.00
Eon – Gas	218.00
NEST – Pension	33.86
John Deere – monthly instalment	163.09
KCOM – office	164.77
Everflow – VH Water	39.55
 HMRC	 1075.35
Wages	
Clerk	)
Village Hall Secretary	)
Maintenance/Caretaker	)
Cleaner	)
	4758.50

Payments for July were discussed and **RESOLVED**

Monthly bank reconciliations and monthly budgets were received – **RESOLVED**

679. **AOQ:**

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Dated: .....