# STRENSALL with TOWTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman: Councillor A H Fisher

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday 14th March 2017 at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Strensall

PRESENT

Cllrs Fisher (Chair) Bolton, Chambers, Maher, Hill, Ogilvy, Baxter, Jakobsen

Mattinson, Chapman, Harvey-Walker Mrs J Smith and Mrs D Hails

1. APOLOGIES

Received from Ward Cllrs P Doughty and Ms H Douglas

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Chambers and Smith declared a personal interest in item 5(e and Cllr Baxter in 5(h)

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 14th February were approved and signed. The Council endorsed the approved Planning Committee minutes of the 28th February **Resolution 140317/01**

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were in attendance

5. ONGOING ISSUES

(a) **Parish Council Vacancy** – the clerk introduced Christopher Fleming and the members unanimously voted to welcome him as a Parish Councillor. He was asked to sign the Acceptance of Office form and took his place at the meeting. **Resolution 140317/02**

(b) **Police reports** – Cllr Mrs Smith reported on the meeting at Athena House attended by herself and the Clerk. It appeared that just as things became organised and settled the Police Commissioners office changed things and once again new PCSO’s allocated to each Parish. Inspector Lee Pointon stressed the importance of returning the monthly form with concerns. He also confirmed his and his Sergeants attendance at the APM along with some property marking.

(c) **VAS sign and Gate on Sheriff Hutton Road.** The Chairman updated the Council that the bollards had been removed and the gate was due to be installed this week together with the VAS sign

(d) **Neighbourhood Plan –** the Chairman reported on the meeting with the NP Team at City Council which was very useful to both sides. He also confirmed that Stockton on the Forest were happy to approve the boundary extension for the purpose of the plan to permit the improvements to Hazelbush junction. He and Cllr Chapman intend to attend the Earswick NP consultation meeting on 31st March.

(e) **CCTV for Village Hall Car Park and Junior Playground** – Cllr Chambers has costed this out and estimated cost of equipment is £990 plus installation although Mr Gordon Moore Had offered to install for no fee. It was agreed that a contribution of half the cost to a maximum of £500 would be given for this and the monitor and recorder equipment would be put in the Clerks office. **Resolution 140317/03**

(f) **Notice Board -**the Clerk requested permission to purchase a new notice board for Barley Rise following year end. This had been agreed in the budget and approval was given **Resolution 140317/04**

(g) **Grants -** Applications had been received from Kidz Klub and the Carnival Committee for funding. This was in next year’s budget and therefore would be approved at the April meeting

(h) **Jakes Tree House** the proposed tree house in memory of Jake Smith was, it was felt, deserving of a donation and, following a short presentation, it was agreed the sum of £500 be given and that the sale of refreshments at the APM would be a fundraiser for this. **Resolution 140317/05**

(i) **Dog Fouling –** the war against irresponsible dog owners continues and two more residents had volunteered to spray. The appalling practice of throwing the poo bags into trees requires some thought as to how to stop it. Biodegradable paint has been located and yellow and also white spray purchased and used. Cllr Chapman is trying to locate green and pink

6. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Chairman reported on the three planning applications received and the comments recommended, together with one decision. The information was noted and approved.

7. FINANCE REPORT

(a) Invoices for payment approved:- **Resolution 140317/06**

(i) Clerk’s salary £ SO

(ii) O2 mobile £18.00 DD

(iii) R J Cartmell £502.00

(iv) Park Lane Services (repairs) £1,416.00

(v) A Hill (salt and filling of bins) £156.00

(vi) Stoneplan - biodegradable spray £16.80

(vii) SLCC membership renewal £149.00

(viii) RPII playground inspections £72.00

(ix) Directions Planning Consultancy £472.50

(x) Mr K Marquis – ink £14.47

(xi) Amazon printer ink £24.28

(xii) Norton security renewal £24.95

(b) Income:

Remainder of the o/s double taxation £3,472.41

Cemetery £1530.00

Interest £1.82

(c) the annual NALC agreement for salary increase for the Clerk was approved-this equated to under £2 per week. **Resolution 140317/07**

(d) the reinvestment of the money market accounts in the sum of £25,000 was approved for a further 3 months **Resolution 140317/08**

8. CORRESPONDENCE

a) copy letter to Julian Sturdy MP from Strensall Tigers –noted

b) the notice for Outreach announcing the APM was noted

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35pm

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is Tuesday 11th April 2017 at 7.15pm

Signed…………………………………………………….. 11th April 2017

Chairman