**STRENSALL WITH TOWTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**

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Chairman : Mr A H Fisher

**MINUTES OF AN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 7.15 PM**

**Councillors Present:** Andrew Bolton Chris Chambers John Chapman Tony Fisher\* Lawrence Mattinson Susan Nunn

**In Attendance:** Paul Doughty\* Fiona Hill - Parish Clerk

**Public Present:** 0

\*\* City of York Councillor

Chairman – “Strensall with Towthorpe Parish Council is deeply saddened at the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and send our heartfelt condolences and prayers to the Royal family at this very sad time. We will now observe a minutes silence”.

1. **a) To receive apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting:** None

**b) To consider the approval of reasons given for absence:** N/A

1. **To discuss the ordinary and casual vacancies:** NTR
2. **To receive any declarations of interest under the Parish Council Code of Conduct or**

**Members register of interests:** Cllr Chambers – Safe in Village Hall

1. **a) To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 09th August 2022:**

Resolved – Approved (Unanimous)

**b) To endorse the approved Planning Committee minutes of 09th and 23rd August 2022:**

Resolved – Endorsed (Unanimous)

1. **Public participation on any subject relating to the agenda:** Cllr Chapman reported that there was currently an issue with sheep on the road between Flaxton and Strensall and he had contacted the shepherd.

**22/28 To receive matters raised by/with City of York Ward Councillors:** Cllr Mattinson asked the Ward Councillors about fluoridation of water and Chemtrails, which he said affects all residents of Strensall and Towthorpe. Cllr Doughty responded that the CYC Director of Public Health had indicated there was evidence of the benefits of water fluoridation in preventing tooth decay and she said “there is little cause for concern for the foreseeable future.” She also said “there would be a significant cost to the introduction of water fluoridation and the government has not identified this as an area for investment. She also said it has not been identified as a priority for York either.” Cllr Fisher responded that he was unable to comment on behalf of City of York Council. Cllr Mattinson advised that he would write to Julian Sturdy MP

The A64 consultation closed last week and both Councillors had submitted a response.

 City of York Council were working towards devolution with North Yorkshire Council.

 Cllr Fisher would ask what is happening about the dead tree, which was planted on behalf of the W.I.

**22/29 To discuss and, if necessary, agree action on matters arising/ongoing issues:** a)North Yorkshire Police monthly reports The August 2022 report was circulated by email. Cllr Chapman and the Parish Clerk had recently repaired damage to the goal net. b) Jubilee Community Garden, York Road It was agreed that this would now be known as the Queen Elizabeth II Memorial Garden. There were concerns about watering. Cllr Fisher would ask if CYC had anyone would could give advice on design. c) Grass Cutting Contract – November 2022 – October 2025 Resolved – The Parish Council agreed to accept the quotation from Rob Cartmell. It was not the cheapest quotation, but he is the current contractor knows the areas, produces good quality work and would need less management. (Unanimous)

The Parish Council agreed that Cllr Nunn could spend £50.00 on bulbs, which the scouts would plant.

**22/30 To discuss and, if necessary, agree action on matters raised since last meeting:** a) Safe in village hall kitchen Resolved – The Parish Council agreed that this could be disposed of, sold if possible, but given away if necessary

**22/31 To discuss and, if necessary, agree action, on any correspondence received:** None

**22/32 To discuss matters raised by/with Responsible Financial Officer (RFO):** a)Bank reconciliation, income received, payments made to date The Parish Clerk had circulated a financial report by email, which is shown at the end of these minutes. b) Internal controls checks - Not done c) Yorkshire Local Councils Association – NTR

**22/33 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 10th October 2022 at 7.15 p.m.:** Resolved – Approved (Unanimous)

