

FISKERTON-CUM-MORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19th October 2015 at 7.30 pm in Morton Church Hall

**Present: Councillors C. Price, Mrs. J. Blaney, S. Dickman, Mrs. J. Holtam, R. Lancaster, Mrs. C. Staite, and Mrs. A. Owen.
Clerk: Mr. R. J. Aston**

In attendance: - County Councillor Mrs. S. Saddington and District Councillor R. Blaney.

1. Apologies

All members being present, there were no apologies.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2015 were approved.

3. Matters arising from previous Minutes

a. Broadband

A letter had been received from Fibre for Rural Nottinghamshire, which is proposing to set up fibre broadband for the Parish, seeking to position a communications cabinet next to the Arthur Radford Hall and to bury cables around the sports fields, across the Village Green, and across any other land which the Parish Council may own. The Council supported the plan and agreed to the laying of cables beneath its land. It was noted that the Sports & Gala Association would need to be consulted.

b.. Waste bin at riverside

Agreed to purchase a new liner but not a new bin.

c. Power on the Village Green

Reported that a site for the electricity box is to be decided.

d. Twinning

Nothing further to report.

e. New bench

Agreed to pursue a date by when the seat would be sited.

f. Memorial tree

Cllr. Staite reported that the position on the village Green had been decided and a cherry tree would be planted.

g. Neighbourhood Watch

The contact details of the new co-ordinator are now known.

4. Public session

There was no resident present.

5. Report from the County and District Councillors

Report of the District Councillor

a. Flood water management

Further to last month's meeting, the District Councillor reported that he had received a subsequent telephone call and a confirmatory e-mail on behalf of Fiskerton Mill Estates stating that the organisation had a robust plan in place to manage the sluices under its control at all times. He was not, however, aware of the details.

The Council agreed that there needed to be an emergency water management plan for the River Greet, co-ordinated by either the Environment Agency or the Trent IDB.

Report of the County Councillor

Southwell Racecourse flood alleviation proposal and new signage

Reported that Rolleston PC and Southwell Town Council the County Council had objected to the alleviation scheme. New signage, designed to re-route race course traffic away from the villages, has been agreed but may not be installed until 2016/17.

6. Highways

There was nothing to report.

7. Footpaths

a. Trent Lane

Agreed to enquire whether Trent Lane could be converted from a footpath into a bridleway.

b. Footpath repairs

Agreed to ask a contractor to install a footpath post which needed replacement.

8. Planning Matters

Planning application considered

15/01722/FUL – Brambling, Station Road, Fiskerton

Householder application for proposed single storey front porch extension

The Council supported the application – 4 in favour, 3 against.

15/01282/FULM – Southwell Racecourse, Station Road, Rolleston

Flood alleviation scheme

The Council unanimously opposed the scheme because:-

- i Water will be directed towards other properties
- ii The racecourse is in a flood zone
- iii. The proposal is in a certain flood area code and it would be a violation of the code by turning the race course into an island which is what the scheme proposes.

Planning decisions received

None

Tree works

There were no new applications

Other planning matters

There were none.

9. Community Matters

a. Community Plan

Cllr. Staite reported that a first meeting of the Community Plan committee had been arranged.

b. Local Community Fund

Cllr. Holtam agreed to look into the terms and conditions.

10. Website

There was nothing to report.

11. Finance

a. Bank Statements

Current Account – statement to 30th September 2015

The statement was presented for inspection.

b. Bills for payment

There were none.

Payment of the Clerk's salary for the current month and expenses of £109.73 was agreed.

12. Correspondence

a. Outdoor gym

A request for a nearby outdoor gym has been received. Noted that such facilities are available at Rolleston which villagers can use.

b. Morton signal box

Noted that efforts are in hand to save Morton signal box. Agreed to write to the Great Central Railway to see if it was interested.

13. Any other business/AOB for which written notice has been given

a. Code of Conduct

A copy has been circulated to each councillor and it was agreed to adopt it.

14. Reports of delegates

a. Parish Councils' Conference

A report, having been circulated, was noted.

15. Date of next meeting – Monday 16th November 2015

Approved

Chairman

16th November 2015