

Approved Minutes of the
Allerthorpe Annual Parish Meeting
2015

Held on Wednesday 27th May 2015 in the Village Hall

Chairman: Mr. K Macleod

There were 18 other electors present (as listed in the record of attendance) and apologies were received from 5 households

1. CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW AND WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed those present to the 2015 Annual Parish Meeting and explained that this was an open meeting at which any elector was free to speak. He noted the greatly improved attendance over last year and thanked those who had taken the time to attend, emphasising that the meeting is a good vehicle for open debate to resolve many general village issues. He then proceeded to summarise the agenda items.

The Chairman then went on to advise those in attendance that three Parish councillors had not stood for re-election last month (Sim Wilkinson, Andy Melville and Maureen Macleod) and that the three new members of the Parish Council were Andy Peters, Jane Smith and Trevor Howard-Smith. He welcomed the new members and thanked the outgoing members for their contributions in the past.

2. MINUTES OF 2014 MEETING

Mr. I Douglas proposed, seconded by Mr T. O'Gram that the minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting were agreed as a true record of the 2014 meeting.

3. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

4. SPEEDING

The Chairman reported that he had been having discussion with neighbouring PCs regarding the purchase and sharing of a portable sign similar to the one situated outside O'Gram's Farm some months ago. The cost of this would be in the region of £2,600 and there appears to be little appetite for neighbouring PCs to share the cost. There was a consensus that speeding in the village continues to be a problem and that the size of vehicles and their loads are constantly increasing. There was also a consensus that we should press for further regular presence of the ERYC portable sign but the Chairman pointed out that as speeding is a huge issue across the East riding villages the sign is in great demand so we may not see it again soon. The Chairman agreed to:

- a. Continue to look for partners to share the burden of purchase of our own equipment.
- b. Make representation to ERYC in an attempt to limit the weight/size of vehicles.
- c. Place regular reminders in the PC Newsletter regarding speeding.

5. WW1 COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE

The Chairman reported that During WW1 5 men of the Parish gave their lives; only three of them are commemorated in the church by their family. The PC would like to erect a commemorative plaque bearing all 5 names on a Yorkshire stone plinth adjacent to the Thomas Cooke stone and asked for people's views.

There were a number of strong views expressed for and against the proposal together with suggestions that it should be inside the Church or on the gable buttress of the Church. The Chairman pointed out that the Church Warden had been approached regarding the latter and had not been in agreement on this location.

There were further suggestions that it should be openly visible to all. Further options will be explored.

6. **PLANNING UPDATE**

Allerthorpe Park Golf Club – The Chairman informed the meeting that the Agenda for the ERYC Planning Committee on Thursday 4th June @ 2:00pm has just been published and this application is Item 4 on the Agenda. The application has been Recommended for APPROVAL

There were 52 letters of objection submitted to the ERYC raising 33 sound reasons for the application to fail. After broad discussion the Chairman asked that parishioners again press their ward Councillors for support and to make every effort to attend the Committee Meeting on 5th June. Full details of the New Planning Committee and Ward Councillors are to be circulated along with the Planning Document.

Conifer Lake – The Chairman informed the meeting that there were 2 applications in for this site; a) *The retention of 5 Log Cabins* – This has been approved.

b) *The siting of up to 27 caravans (retention of 12 existing and 15 new) for holiday purposes.* This is still under consideration; The PC had asked that a series of conditions be applied relating to boundary management to prevent the overspill of sound, light and vision that would impact on the residents of Waplinton.

7. **TELEPHONE KIOSK**

The Chairman reported that the K6 Telephone kiosk in Main Street was granted Grade 2 listing by English Heritage on 5th January 1988 and has progressively deteriorated over the past 10 years. It currently does not appear to have a dial tone and there is an opportunity for the PC to buy the kiosk for £1 from BT. However the PC would then become responsible for it and its upkeep. The kiosk is an icon of the village but is currently an eyesore in need of full restoration. The cost of this is estimated to be in the region of £1,000 plus labour. Once again there were strong views expressed on both sides. It was suggested that keep the Grade 2 Listing confers a responsibility on BT to refurbish it. The Chairman accepted the point but stated that he had been trying to get BT, EH and ERYC Conservation Officer to do something and has met brick walls.

The debate continued and ultimately the Chairman asked for a show of hands of those in favour of the PC refurbishing the kiosk. There were 15 in favour. 2 later showed they were against it. The Chairman thanked everyone for their input.

8. **SUMMER BARBECUE**

The Chairman reported that the Village Hall Committee have planned a Village Summer Barbecue for Saturday 4th July and flyers have gone to all households. He further added that they had now secured live music for the event.

9. **MUMS/DADS AND TODDLERS or COFFEE MORNINGS**

The Chairman pointed out that there are now many more young families with toddlers in the Parish and asked if there was anyone who wished to start up a group for like minded people. There was no positive reaction and the Chairman asked that should anyone change their mind to get in touch.

10. **OPEN FORUM**

It was pointed out by one attendee that the white stones placed to protect the new flowerbed outside the Village Hall looked like plastic bags from afar and could they be removed. It was agreed and the Chairman advised that the barrier tape was to be removed as well when the grass is cut as the grass seed has now taken hold.

11. **CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and contribution to the meeting and closed the meeting at 21:35.

Signed.....
Chairman, Allerthorpe Parish Council

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