

## **ROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018  
At Roughton Village Hall. Start 7.30 pm.

**Present:** Councillor Smith (Chair), Councillor Blake, Dormer, Drew, Lupton, Mrs Lynaugh, Poucher and also the clerk Mrs Helliwell.

**In Attendance:** District Councillor Fitzaden-Gray

**Public:** None present.

**069    Chairman's Remarks:** The Chair thanked everyone for attending and giving their time.

**070    Apologies:** None, all present.

**071    Declarations of Interest:** None.

**072    To approve the notes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017 as minutes:**  
These were proposed, seconded and resolved unanimously to be correct. They were signed by the Chair.

**073    County Councillor Report:** Not attended.

**074    District Councillor Report:** District Councillor Fitzaden-Gray stated it was budget drafting time and that the Council Tax proposed increase was 3.75% for members to vote on. Also, there is a Community Led Housing initiative – 2.25 million pounds that can be accessed to help fund community groups over a period of five years. He also discussed the Lincolnshire Coastal Highway which would travel from the A46 to the coast via a bypass around Horncastle. There is a meeting about this matter on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at the Admiral Rodney in Horncastle. He also confirmed a Lincolnshire Pharmaceutical Needs Consultation is currently taking place and that the Local Plan is in its final stages. Finally, he mentioned TED (Talk, Eat, Drink) which is an ELDC initiative that has been very successful on the coast and is being rolled out further inland to combat isolation and loneliness.

**075    Clerks Report:**

- a. The clerk informed the meeting that Oaklands Park had been in touch and confirmed that they were now going to purchase a defibrillator and that it would be available for all.
- b. The clerk stated that she had been contacted by the Street Scene Depot at ELDC asking if we had any responsibility for emptying dog bins in the Parish. She had replied that the Parish Council did not and this was confirmed by Councillors. The District Councillor took details.
- c. Community Speed Watch. The clerk read out an email she had received about the scheme. Councillor Blake took away the information as he thought this was something his wife would be interested in.

d. Citizens Advice Bureau. The clerk stated she had received a letter from CAB regarding a possible donation. After discussion it was decided to donate £30 the same as the previous year. Agreed by all. Cheque No. 700234.

**076 Village Telephone Box Update:** Councillor Blake said that there was nothing to report currently due to the winter weather.

**077 Broadband:** Councillor Blake stated his broadband speed was so slow that Sky was not prepared to take him as a customer because his broadband speed was below 2MB. Councillor Dormer said he had attended the Broadband Summit held by the local MP Victoria Atkins last year. After speaking to a BT representative present and giving his postcode, he had been informed that he would be receiving fibre optic broadband by the end of last year. Councillor Blake asked if the clerk could contact the local MP and try and get an update of Broadband rollout.

**078 Planning:**  
a. Applications: S/141/01034/17 - Bainland Park, Horncastle Road, Roughton Moor, Woodhall Spa, LN10 6UX (Amendment) – Fully Supported.  
b. Permissions Granted: S/141/01034/17 – Bainland Park, Horncastle, Roughton Moor, Woodhall Spa, LN10 6UX – Full Planning Permission. S/086/00482/17 – Land West of Brackenbury Close, Horncastle, LN9 5DA – Refusal of Reserved Matters.

**079 Training Available:** The Clerk informed all of the training currently available.

**080 Finances:**  
a. Bank Balances and signing of statements. The clerk confirmed current account balance of £3888.86 and deposit account balance of £14.84, a total of £3903.70. Bank statements were checked by all and signed by the Chair as required.  
b. Final Precept Decision. After looking at the budget prediction produced by the clerk and further discussion it was agreed by all present to keep the precept request the same as the previous financial year at £2700.00. The clerk completed paperwork as necessary and will submit as required.

**081 Date of Next Meeting and Items for Agenda:** The date of the next Roughton Parish Council Meeting to be held is on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Mar 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. Agreed by all.

Agenda Items: Broadband, Telephone Box Update

**082 Clerks Salary and Expenses:** The Council agreed to pay the clerks salary and expenses for the period 16<sup>th</sup> Nov 17 – 11<sup>th</sup> Jan 18, £178.10, Cheque No. 700233.

Meeting Closed at 8.25 pm