

ROWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE SCHOOL, WHITE GAP ROAD LITTLE WEIGHTON ON THURSDAY 1st APRIL 2010

Present: Councillors(s); S.Howarth, A.Woodall, E.Hunter, L.Pickering, R.Elvidge,
Ward Councillor: T.Galbraith, R.Hudson, Clerk

Apologies: J.Nuttall, Ward Councillors; P.Smith were accepted and noted.

44/10 OPEN FORUM

Four members of the Parish present.

45/10 MINUTES - RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 4th March 2010 having been circulated, is approved as a correct record and signed.

46/10 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The Parish Councils (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007. To record any declarations of interest by any Member in respect of items for discussion:

Councillor	Interest	Agenda Item
Councillor A.Woodall	Personal	7i,
Councillor S.Howarth	Personal	6(a)Planning, 7 (Allotments), 13(b) Member of Scout Association
Councillor E.Hunter	Personal	8bi

47/10 LOCAL POLICING TEAM

No Police Officers present.

South Hunsley & Dale Wards Police & Partners Community Forum – Councillor Woodall stated that he would be attending this meeting as he represents Farm Watch, however he is happy to report back to the next Parish Meeting any items that affect the Parish.

48/10 PLANNING

a) Applications:

- i) **DC/10/00379** – Erection of Single Storey extension to rear at 12 Rowley Road, Little Weighton - **Resolved** – That this application is recommended for APPROVAL.
- ii) **DC/10/00544** – Installation of 2no. 15m high micro wind turbines at Cowlam Farm, 52 New Village Road, Little Weighton – **Resolved** – That his application is recommended for APPROVAL. Councillor Hunter felt that that the application is admirable in supporting renewal energy for their home.

b) Decisions:

- i) Appeal Decision - **08/04816/STPLFE** Sober Hill Wind Farm - **Granted**

49/10 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Riplingham Storage Area – The Clerk advised that East Riding Council have confirmed that they will meet the Landlords Costs for drawing up the lease. 'Heads of Terms' for the agreement have been submitted to Wilkin Cooper for preparation.

Action: Clerk

Asset Register Review – The Clerk advised that the Pinfold land, Old Village Road was discussed at a recent land registry visit. The area of the Pinfold to be identified and further pursued in order that a pinfold rent can continue to be collected should the council decide to continue to lease if the property is sold.

Action: Clerk/S.Howarth

Rowley Road – The Clerk confirmed areas of Rowley Road as Parish Council Land and that of Shirethorn Limited. Ownership of the fencing opposite Station View up to the Bridge Parapet is still not known. The Clerk will make enquiries with the B.R.B (British Rail Residuary Board) and East Riding Council regarding costs for fencing maintenance.

Action: Clerk

Fence repair to allotments – Councillor Howarth reported that the Allotment owners are prepared to carry out the work to the allotment fence; however materials will need to be sought by the Parish Council as previously agreed.

Action: Clerk

Councillor Howarth

Salt Bins – Bentley 'Salt Bin' now in place.

Speed Limit Issues (Skidby Road/Old Village Road) – Walkington & Skidby Parish Council Chairman met and discussed the formation of a joint strategy, initially in respect of highways transport movement across the three parish Councils. A consensus was reached that it would seem practical and possibly more effective to join forces with the objective to lobby the East Riding Council into action, rather than act independently. It was agreed that each chair would propose to their respective councils that a joint working party be formed. Councillor Howarth, Councillor Woodall will continue to be part of the working party representing Rowley Parish, with Councillor Pickering as reserve. Members of the Parish Council were unanimous in moving forward the initiative in having traffic control in place at the junction of Dunflat Lane/Sands Lane with the A164. The Clerk has distributed notes from the meeting for each Parish Clerk and will await a decision from their Parish Councils who next meet on the 6th April 2010.

50/10 COMMUNICATIONS

Newsletter /Website -

Deadline for submissions for the next edition will be 19th May 2010, any articles will be greatly appreciated.

Village Hall - No meeting held during the past month. The Clerk reported that correspondence had been received in thanking the Parish Council for their grant award for 2010/2011, stating that although it was not as large as they hoped it would be, they are fully aware of the financial pressures on the council at this difficult time.

Playing Fields Association - The Playing Field Assoc last met on the 17th March 2010, however no minutes have been available yet to circulate and no reps of the council were present to give a verbal report.

The Clerk had circulated comments from the Treasurer of the Playing Fields in respect of the recent grant award. Councillor Hunter was appalled by the comments, stating that Councillors are all volunteers too, not just the playing fields committee, that all Parish Council meetings are held in public, transparent and above board. Not a word of thanks has been received for the financial support we have given. Councillor Howarth suggested a letter is sent to the Playing Fields in response to their communication, and circulated to all Parish Councillors.

Action: S.Howarth/Clerk

School Liaison – Nothing to report. It was suggested that a letter is sent to the Governors to see if any School Liaison can be a permanent feature or perhaps a governor may be interested in joining the Parish Council.

Action: Clerk

Weighton Cutting/Quarry Liaison – The Clerk reported correspondence had been received from Mrs Scott, East Riding Council to report that there is no statutory obligation to hold meetings and stated that the Council consider that it is not expedient to progress this matter further at the present time. Ward Councillor Galbraith reported that he will ask for a meeting to be held.

51/10 CORRESPONDANCE

East Riding Council	Biodiversity Action Plan Consultation – CIRCULATED TO ALL MEMBERS – to be noted.
Haltemprice & Hunsley LAT	Haltemprice & Hunsley LAT - TO BE NOTED – Councillor Howarth stated that as parish councillors and volunteers it is difficult to attend LAT Meetings held during the day.
East Riding Council	Report of the Car Park review Panel – TO BE NOTED

52/10 EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNCIL

Enquiries have been made with East Riding Council democratic Services in respect of the number of Councillor's required per parish council and whether this number may be changed. Awaiting feedback.

53/10 HIGHWAYS

(a) See item 49/10 Speed Limit issues – Notes circulated.

54/10 ERNLLCA

a) **Annual Membership renewal - Resolved** – That membership is renewed for the forthcoming year.

b) **Councillors as representatives of Village Groups** - The Clerk confirmed that as the constitutions clearly state that the Village Hall and the Playing Fields are registered charities, charity law is clear that a trustee, or member of a management committee must put the interests of the charity above other interests such as being a member of a Parish council. Where charities are seeking financial support from the Council, a clear Prejudicial interest exists.

Councillor Howarth stated that whilst Parish Councillors act as representatives on these groups it has a direct impact on the code of conduct, and decision making by the Council. A review of Parish representatives will be addressed at the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2010.

c) Annual Spring Conference (Saturday 17th April 2010) - Circulated prior to meeting - NOTED

d) East Riding (Central) District Committee (Wed 7th April 2010) – As Councillor McCloud is the Parish Council's representative for ERNLLCA, the Clerk will make enquiries to see if he is able to attend this meeting. Councillor Howarth will also attend if he is available.

e) March Edition Newsletter – Circulated and noted.

55/10 FINANCE

a) The following accounts were submitted for approval from the Council.

At this point Councillor Howarth left the room, Councillor Woodall chaired the Meeting.

Cheque No	Company	Description	Nett	VAT	TOTAL
100843	Marshalls Pest Prevention	Pest Control	35.00	5.25	40.25
100844	S.Howarth	Bench Installation	205.00		205.00
100845	Clerk	Salary	353.53		353.53
		Travel	32.99	0.65	33.64
		Office Expenses	45.00		45.00
100846	Clerk	Additional Hrs (Cilca, Newsletter, traffic Liaison Meeting)	81.58		81.58
100847	SLCC	Registration for Cilca Portfolio/examination	150.00	0	150.00
100848	ERNLLCA	Membership 2010/11 Renewal	416.97	0	416.97
Pond Account					
100006	Great Gardens	Pond Grounds maintenance	175.00	0	175.00

RESOLVED – That the accounts be approved for payment.

Grant Application - An Application for a grant award has been received from 1st Skidby & Little Weighton Scout Group. Income & expenditure sheets, along with a Balance Sheet up to 31st December 2008 accompanied the form. Councillor Howarth suggested that the Clerk writes and asks for further clarification on the number of children who attend that reside in the parish and if further up to date accounts information could be provided.

Action: Clerk

56/10 Ward Councillors Report

Ward Councillor Galbraith reported that the car parking review panel, in summary states that charges are to be introduced to car parks where no charge has previously applied, however this will be suspended for two years. ie. Cottingham.

Councillor Galbraith reported on the Sober Hill Wind Farm decision by the secretary of state – This area was highlighted as an area of high landscape, but inspectors have overturned the decision and the application has been granted for the wind farm.

57/10 Pond Project/Grounds Maintenance

a) Fence Repair required (amenity area, Rowley Road) Little Weighton. Councillor Howarth reported that 2 quotations have been received. One quotation needs to be resubmitted subject to the specification of work required.

Grounds maintenance work for ivy to trees in the Woodland (rear of Potterdale), are to be added to Ian Allen's work schedule.

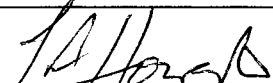
Quotations for transportation/excavation of Silt from Little Weighton Pond – Councillor Howarth reported that he had received 2 quotations for excavation of the Silt; however a further quotation is required. Once quotations are received the Chairman will call an extra ordinary meeting of the Council to consider all quotations in order to progress the matter as soon as possible. Costs for traffic control and membrane sheeting are also required.

58/10 Matters for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting

- **Highways – Water gathering/lying on Potterdale Drive**
- **Highways – Can a weight restriction be applied to Dunflat Lane, due to an increase of commercial vehicles using this road.**

Date of Next Meeting

Meeting scheduled for 6th May 2010 at The Village Hall, Old Village Road, Little Weighton.

Signature		Dated	6 th May 2010
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