

Seaton Ross Parish Council

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Members present: J Henley, J Gardham, R Chapman and P Johnson.

Apologies: G Brockhouse; R Underwood; D Gascoyne and C Hunt.

Members of the public: 38

Public questions:

The Chairman left for the public questions part of the proceedings and took no part in the discussions.

Mrs Clark, a parishioner, raised two issues under public questions:

The Hollies, Church Lane, Seaton Ross - Mrs Clark made reference to a number of policies under the East Riding Local Plan and talked about their influence on planning development in the village. She then provided a history of the development at The Hollies. This was the subject of a planning application which the Parish Council was being requested to comment on later that evening. Mrs Clark cited a planning application on Mains Lane which the Parish Council had refused in 2014 for reasons which she felt applied to this application. She was of the view the Parish Council should refuse The Hollies planning application because she felt it was greatly altered from the original plans, it stood outside development limits and would set a precedent for back development.

Mrs Clark submitted a petition containing 15 signatures from six houses in the village. Members of the public asked Mrs Clark a number of questions on the matter.

Councillor C Curren was in attendance for the rest of the meeting.

Complaint about the Chairman – Mrs Clark made a complaint about the Chairman. She stated the Chairman, who is one of the developers of The Hollies, knew the dwelling was not being built in line with the approved plans in December 2015 and yet continued with the development. Her role in the unauthorised development of The Hollies meant she had acted wrongly and therefore her position as Chairman was untenable in Mrs Clark's view.

A vote of confidence for the Chairman for all the hard work she had done for the village was proposed by a parishioner and this was supported strongly by the parishioners present at the meeting.

The Chairman returned to the meeting.

Special Dispensations - None

Declarations of interest - JH declared a pecuniary interest in Minute 43/16.

Apologies – C Hunt, D Gascoyne, G Brockhouse and R Underwood submitted their apologies.

Dispensations – None

42/16 Minutes – Agreed – that the minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on 7 April 2016 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

Having declared a pecuniary interest in minute 43/16, the Chairman left the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting on the item.

43/16 16/01456/PLF - The Hollies, Church Lane, Seaton Ross – the Parish Council considered the application for regularisation of variation to planning approval DC/05/07072/PLF/WESTWW – the erection of a detached dwelling and garage following demolition of existing dwelling. **Agreed** – following a proposal from the Vice-Chairman, that it be requested the application go before the Western Planning Sub-Committee at East Riding of Yorkshire Council for consideration. This is because the Parish Council felt it did not have the necessary knowledge required to determine the issues raised at the meeting.

The Chairman returned to the meeting.

44/16 Finances:

- a. **Parish Council accounts 1 April 2015 – 31 March 2016 – Agreed** - that the Parish Council accounts be approved for audit and the public consultation period be approved to commence 6 June 2016.
- b. **Thanks to auditors – Agreed** – that Linda Underwood, who had audited the Parish Council accounts for a number of years be thanked for all her hard work and that Steve Woods who had audited the 2015/16 accounts be thanked.
- c. **Accounts** – the Clark informed the Parish Council that the current balance stood at £4617.53

- d. **Precept** – the precept had been increased by 10% for 2016/17 to £4070.00
- e. **Clerk's salary – Agreed** - that payment of the Clerk and HMRC for associated tax be made by cheque for February and March 2016 and that a standing order be set up for subsequent months.
- f. **Printer – Agreed** – that the Clerk be reimbursed the sum of £69.99 for the purchase of a printer.
- g. **SeatonFest insurance – Agreed** – that the sum of £260 for the insurance for SeatonFest to be held on 4 June 2016 be approved.

45/16 Parish plot dyke and boundaries – a query about the parish plot boundaries was currently being considered. **Agreed** - that the Clerk write to the Valuation Office for advice.

In addition, there had been significant flooding this year from the dyke which ran from the parish plot to the windmill at the end of Mill Lane. **Agreed** – that the Clerk write to the owners whose properties adjoin the dyke to ask if they would clear their section of the dyke.

46/15 East Riding Local Plan – Consultation on Draft Open Space Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) – This SPD looked at the requirement for developers to provide open spaces and play areas. This was not a matter currently relevant to Seaton Ross. The Chairman reminded the meeting that the Parish Council made an annual donation to the Playing Field Association.

47/16 Dog fouling – the Parish Council considered a complaint from a parishioner about the issue of dog fouling in the village. **Agreed** – that the Clerk look into the prices for dog bins and waste bags; it was noted that the bins outside the village hall and the parish plot can be used to deposit dog waste.

48/16 Rolawn lorries through the village – the Parish Council noted there had been more lorries recently passing through the village although not all of these were Rolawn vehicles. There had previously been a sign recommending the lorries turn left and not go through the village but this was no longer there. **Agreed** – that the Clerk write to East Riding of Yorkshire Council, as Highways Authority, and Rolawn about a potential solution to the matter.

49/16 Parish Transport Champion and the threat to the X36 bus service – York City Council was in the process of cutting bus services and the X36 was in danger. **Agreed** – that the matter be discussed at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

50/16 Future meetings – Thursday 7 July 2016, 7:30pm; Friday 2 September 2016, 7:30pm; Friday 7 October 2016, 7:30pm; Thursday 24 November 2016, 7:30pm; Friday 6 January 2017, 7:30pm

51/16 Correspondence – Humberside Police Newsletter, a letter of complaint about Chairman of the Parish Council, a letter of complaint about The Hollies planning application; dog fouling email from resident.

Agenda items for next meeting to include: Parish Transport Champion and the X36 bus route; Speeding through the village; complaints procedure; purchase of daffodil bulbs; purchase of notice board with glass doors.