

Frithelstock Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting 1ST March 2011 – 7.30pm – Frithelstock Village Hall
(Ref: 2011/MAR)

Present:

*	Mr. M Poole (Chairman)	*	Mr. H Pettifer
*	Mr. R Hunkin (Vice-Chairman)		Mrs. J Pomeroy
	Mr. M Baker		Mr. C Ward
*	Mr. A Heard	*	Mrs. A Snell(Clerk)

(* denotes present at meeting)

In attendance:, Cllr S Robinson, Cllr P Pennington, Mr J Vickery, Mr A Poole and Mr R Joseph

MINUTES

- Welcome – The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
- Apologies – were received from Mr. M Baker, Mr C Ward Mrs J Pomeroy and PCSO Baker.
- Crime report, a report was relayed to the meeting that in the past 60 days there has been no crimes with 7 phone calls logged to the Police Station, including 1 anti social behaviour, 1 rtc, 1 transport offence and 1 administration.
- Public Participation. Mr Vickery commented again on the very dangerous pot hole 200 meters past Frusdon Farm Kennels which his daughter is awaiting a claim form for, the pot hole has since been repaired. Mr Vickery also informed the meeting of the Playing Field Association's lack of enthusiasm to hold meetings and the present committee has retired, leaving the Parish Council to decide on a new constitution and who will eventually be responsible for the running of the Playing Field, Mr Vickery was thanked very much for all his hard work and it was decided to bring this up at the Annual Parish meeting.
- Minutes of Meeting, Tuesday 7th January 2011 – these were unanimously approved and signed as true.
- Matters Arising from previous minutes
 - Pavement petition to village hall and Hele Lane (2009/MAR 6.4) –Cllr Robinson reported that with regard to the footpath along Hele Lane the preparatory work has been undertaken and the householders contacted, Cllr Robinson also informed the meeting that the grant money for the work has been ring fenced for which he was thanked very much. With regard to the footpath to the Village Hall Cllr Robinson reported that this was causing great difficulties but this is still ongoing.
 - Pump and bench (2009 May 6.2.2) Mr Pettifer and Mr Hunkin have contacted and consulted with the Land Registry but have been informed to completed the work a solicitor will have to be employed to draw up a set of deeds, part of the deeds are with Slee Blackwell, it was proposed by Mr A Heard and seconded by Mr H Pettifer for Mr Hunkin to speak to Slee Blackwell and Mr R Hicks to ascertain the cost and procedure of this undertaking.
 - Bus shelter (2009 Nov 7.13) Communication has taken place with the land owners and we are very pleased to report that a letter has been received from the land owners confirming their gift of the piece of land for the bus shelter and that the land registry have been contacted and progress is being made. TDC support the project planning permission is not required; a copy of the letter is to be sent to Malcolm Harris from TDC to ensure the grant monies are confirmed for this project.
 - Update on speeding issues (2010 July 6) It was reported that the speeding problem has improved since the monitoring has been undertaken. Statistics have been collated with 413 cars monitored with 98 over the speed limit a full report can be found on the website. Two other sites are to asked for with more monitoring taking place when the dates have been confirmed. The dangerous corner in Frithelstockstone has been assessed with a visit from Steve Elsworthy the Highway Superintendent and Cllr Robinson, the police are also aware of the problem with a request for bollards and the proper positioning of signage. Mr Newcombe from DCC road safety is to be contacted and a meeting arranged the local residents are also to be informed.
- Highway issues,
 - Grit bins (2010 Nov) Three have been delivered with one placed at Hele Lane and Windy hill which were as requested but the third appears to be at Glen, where there are now two. So Cllr Robinson is to request that one is moved to Stone Hill the original request site. Cllr Robinson and Steve Elsworthy also visited Rakeham Hill, but

Highways are not willing to tarmac the area around the post as it as it would encourage traffic and it would be to dangerous. Cllr Robinson also reported on his research into purchasing a gritter to pull behind a 4x4 but eh Parish council would have to purchase the salt, this is to be considered, Cllr Robinson was thanked for all the work he has done on behalf of the parish. It was reported that tarmac that is in excess of requirement is being dumped at Rotherham Bridge Cllr Robinson is to look into this, along with the report that all drains are not being sucked out or seen to properly.

7.2 Household Emergency Plan, these were distributed partially complete to all present; a copy can be found on the web site. This is to be raised at the AGM.

7.3 It was repoted there is a Road closure Sunday 6th March 10.30am to 12.30 am for Bideford half marathon, A386 Frithelstock Monkleigh, junction of Rakenham Hill to junction with A388 at Landcross.

7.4 SWH are closing the road from East and West Ash from the 1st April to the 5th April for drainage works.

8. Correspondence

8.1 Posters have been received from MVF Best Kept village Competition, it was proposed by Mr Pettifer to have a get together to clean up the village before the judging begins, this is to raised at the APM.

8.2 The DALC Newsletter was distributed, along with information on the DALC training calendar

8.3 The Senior Council of Devon leaflet has been received.

8.4 The DALC making it work locally conference is to be held on the 15th March at Exeter City football ground.

8.5 Election information and nomination papers have been received, there are three meetings to be held for prospective councillors the one at Torrington is on the 16th March. Nomination papers were distributed with a request to be made for three more papers. Information posters are to be put on the notice boards.

8.6 Social Care for adult's leaflets were distributed.

8.7 Nominations were requested for the Royal Garden Party, the chairman and his wife are too nominated.

8.8 Information regarding the Royal British Legion Poppy Party has been received.

8.9 Royal wedding street party information has been received but a request has been made to the Parish council for a grant toward decorations for the Village Hall for a party in the evening of the 29th April, it was proposed by Mr R Hunkin and seconded by Mr H Pettifer to grant £100.

8.10 There is a Great Torrington and Local community Partnership meeting to be held on the 10th March at Dolton the topic for discussion will be the Localism bill.

9. Finance

9.1 Balances at 4th January 2011

9.1.1 Balance of Account 1 and Account 2 –

Agree and sign the following cheques:

185	Playing Field (Grass cutting £385 plus VAT £67.37 £452.37)	£452.37
186	Playing Field £365.00 remaining grant of total £750.00	£365.00
188	Clerks salary	£250.00
189	Office expenses	£6.12
190	Parish Hall grant of Total £750 Electrical work(£417 plus vat £73.06)	£490.56
191	Parish Hall balance	£135.00
192	Royal Wedding grant for decorations	£100.00

9.2 An up to date Financial report was circulated.

9.3 10. Planning

PC Recommendations

TDC

1/08672010/FULL	Erection of cattle shed, Horwood Barton		Passed
1/1103/2010/FULL	Bungalow at the site adjacent to the Clinton Arms.	The plans were studied; the sewage arrangements were highlighted along with the turning area at the front of the site, also the size of the development within the site, Parish Councillors are to meet outside of the site on Saturday and will agree a response.	

11. Items brought forward at the chairman's discretion for information only. The Chairman reported that the Telephone Kiosk has been vandalised to which BT have repaired it. The grit bin on Rakeham Hill has been knocked over, it was reported householders who live close are using the area as a turning point and also to park cars; the suggestion was made to try a get the small area tarmaced. Cllr Robinson and the chairman are to arrange a meeting with Mr S Elsworthy. Mr Warrington highlighted the need for a permanent bollard on the dangerous corner by the end of Hele Lane in Frithelstockstone, this site will be visited as well, and an effort will be made to get Mr M Newcombe to attend as well as this is a road safety issue.

12. Date of next meeting – **April 19th Annual Parish Meeting**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed as true(Chairman) Date