

FELBRIGG PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL ON MONDAY, 17th AUGUST 2015

The Meeting, held in Felbrigg Village Hall, commenced at 7.30 pm

Present: John Blair (Chairman), Denis Connelly, Julia Lloyd, Paul Read.

In attendance: County Councillor Hilary Cox, District Councillor Sue Arnold, Lloyd Mills (Clerk to the Council) and four members of the public.

21/15 Apologies for absence

Michael Filby, PCSO Allison Holmes

22/15 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensation

Paul Reed, planning application.

23/15 Minutes of the Annual Meeting on 18th May 2015

Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th May 2015, which had been circulated previously, were considered and confirmed as a true record and signed and initialled by the Chairman.

24/15 Matters arising

The chairman reported that sadly Mr Beales had passed away. The Council joined the Chairman in acknowledging all that Mr Beales had done for the parish and extended their sympathies to his widow.

25/15 Police Community Support Officer's Report

In the absence of PCSO Holmes the Clerk tabled the police report.

26/15 County and District Councillors' reports

District Councillor Sue Arnold reported that the new Local Development Framework has been circulated and was open for comment. In the last two years over 400 empty homes had been brought back into use. She also confirmed that the dog warden scheme had been extended.

County Councillor Hilary Cox reported that unauthorised parking on private land was a growing problem. Trading Standards have been very busy recently and have had some very successful investigations. £5.3M is being spent on broadband improvements in the region. She is fighting hard to keep libraries open, including the mobile libraries. The Summer Read programme for youngsters will reach a climax on Cromer Pier on 5th September.

27/15 Adjournment for Public Comments

Concern expressed regarding dogs not being properly under control and horse riding on the Weavers Way. County and District Councillors promised to follow these up with the relevant departments

28/15 Reports by Parish Councillors on their Responsibilities

- **Village Pond** – Paul Read reported that he and others had spent over four hours cutting bushes etc back, but it is apparent that the problem is bigger than envisaged and will probably require some funding
- **Village Green** – The Chairman reported that the Green was looking good and Mr Heslin was doing a good job
- **Bus Shelter** – No activity
- **Homewatch** – The Chairman feels this should be looked at later in the year

29/15 Financial matters

(i) The Clerk reported that Barclays have confirmed the appointment of Julia Lloyd and Denis Connelly as signatories, and that Christopher Knowles and Marion Walker have been removed.

(ii) RESOLVED that payments totalling £640.90 be approved and the necessary cheques signed by two authorised members:

HMRC, PAYE, £54.60
 T Heslin, Grounds maintenance, £200.00
 NPTP, Councillor training, £50.00
 L. Mills, salary/expenses, £242.70
 NNDC, dog bin emptying, £93.60

(iii) Financial Regulations: It was proposed by Paul Reed, seconded by Denis Connelly, that the draft regulations be adopted. AGREED.

30/15 Planning

App PF/15/1140, Erection of single storey side/rear extension (revised design) and creation of balcony at Driftway Farm, The Driftway.

Michael Filby, having declared an interest, made a statement explaining his views and then left the room, taking no part in the discussions or vote.

Council AGREED to object, due to siting of the balcony and intrusion over neighbouring property. Clerk to inform NNDC of the Parish Council's views

31/15 Big Society Fund

Clerk updated meeting regarding his conversation with officer at NNDC and the apparent unlikelihood of a bid for a noticeboard being successful. Chairman suggested it may be easier to construct one.

Julia Lloyd left the meeting at this point.

32/15 Roundabout on A148/B1436

District Cllr Sue Arnold reported that the design statement had been completed. Provisional cost is £552,000. County Council has pledged £180,000. She wanted to pay tribute to the work put into this project by Cllr Hilary Cox, and that Cllr Cox will be addressing the cabinet meeting regarding this matter. The two councillors are now working to obtain commitments to this project.

33/15 Casual Vacancies

There are two vacancies and parishioners are encouraged to contact the Clerk for more details

34/15 Report of the Clerk

The Clerk confirmed that the new Council website was now up and running at felbriggpc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk

The Highway Rangers will be visiting the parish in early September. Any works to the clerk by the end of the month

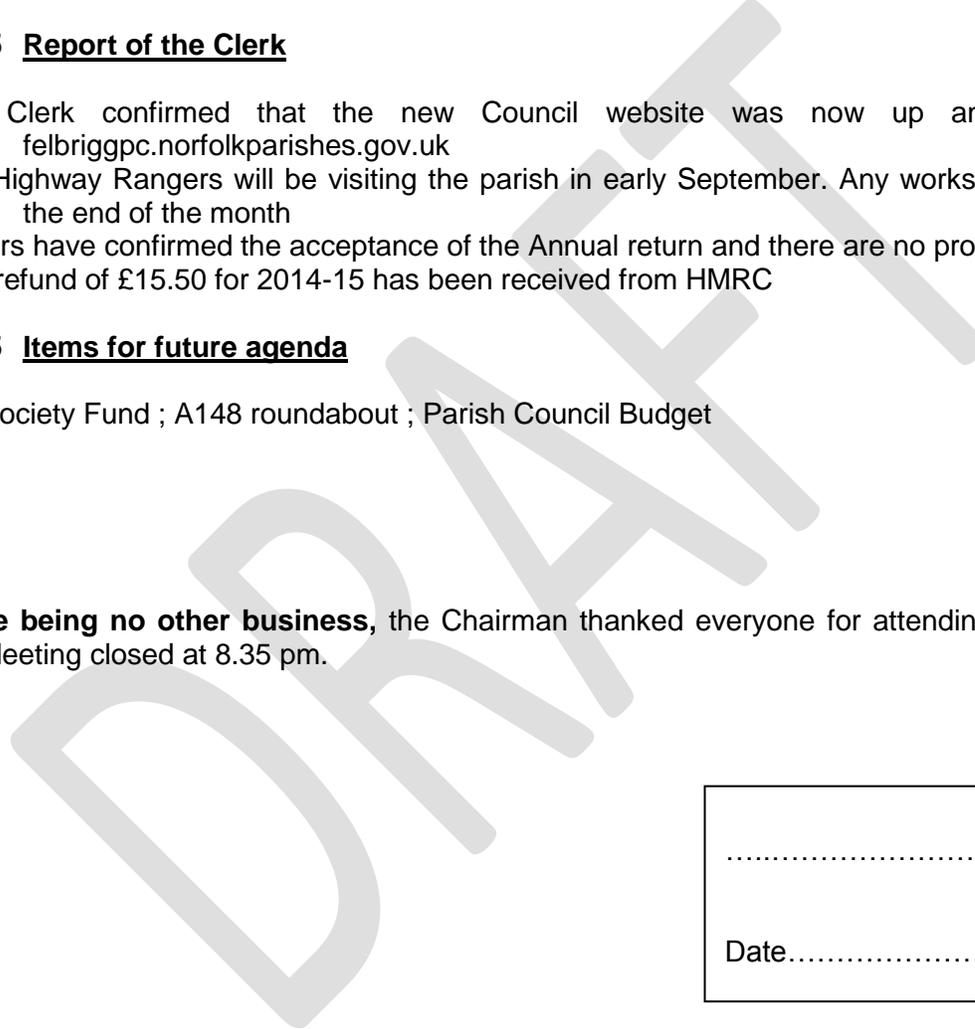
Mazars have confirmed the acceptance of the Annual return and there are no problems.

VAT refund of £15.50 for 2014-15 has been received from HMRC

35/15 Items for future agenda

Big Society Fund ; A148 roundabout ; Parish Council Budget

There being no other business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the Meeting closed at 8.35 pm.



<p>.....Chairman</p> <p>Date.....</p>
