

WITHERNWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a Meeting of Withernwick Parish Council Held in St Albans Church, Withernwick on 18th October 2017 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: - Parish Councillors: Mr N. Wilkie, Mrs D. Carr, Mr P Boyle, Mrs C. Wilkie, Mr C. Sharp, Mrs E. Grove and Mr S. Croft.
CLERK: - Mr P L Wilson CPFA

59. PARISHIONERS QUESTIONS

- i. A parishioner praised the Council for its swift action in engaging its contractor to remove the broken branches from his boundary hedge, which bordered the churchyard, but he said that there was criticism of the mess left in the churchyard which had not been removed. The Chair offered to sort this out.
- ii. The PROW running through Prospect House was again reported as not being used because of the enthusiastic dogs approaching walkers. The Chair replied that the Council had done all it can and suggested that individual parishioners complain directly to ERYC and consider contacting the Gazette, the Rambler's Association and/or Graham Stuart MP.
- iii. The planters, currently on the Council's "backburner, were raised as being wanted. The Chair suggested that interested parishioners draw up plans, including maintenance arrangements, and the Council will consider it further.
- iv. It was suggested that the defibrillator might be sited in the old phone box. Cllr Croft asked for details of the new owners and he would take the matter forward.

60. APOLOGIES

None.

61. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

Cllr Croft in the event of anything connected to the activities of Rathlin..

62. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly Meeting held on 27th September 2017 - the minutes were **unanimously approved** as a true and correct record.

63. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MEETINGS

Min. 54(d) - the Clerk confirmed that he had checked the minutes and the only Council representative on the Wind Farm Panel was Cllr Croft and that if Cllr Mann had been offered a 3 year position by the Panel then this was fine, but that he is not the official Council representative.

64. MINUTES OF PERSONNEL COMMITTEE HELD ON 5TH OCTOBER 2017

The signed minutes were adopted by the Council. However, the Clerk reported that the person appointed to the post of Clerk had since turned down the offer. The Council **unanimously resolved** to refer the matter back to the Personnel Committee with a view to interviewing the applicant who lives outside the parish.

65. PLANNING

- i. The Council considered the following applications - **None**.
- ii. The Council considered responses to consultation on applications taken since last meeting - **None**.
- iii. The Council considered the following notifications from ERYC on earlier consultations - **None**

Initials

66. FINANCE

- i. The following payments were **unanimously approved**:-
 - a. P.26 – 1/10/17 - HAPS – Grass-cutting payments for September - **£182.40**.
 - b. P.27 - 18/10/17 - P. Wilson - Clerk's net pay for September - **£163.81**
 - c. P.28 – 18/10/17 - HMRC (via Post Office) – PAYE deducted from September pay - **£40.80**.**Total £387.01.**
- ii. The Council **unanimously approved** the Bank Reconciliation as at 1st October 2017 showing **Net Balances of £23,338.79** and as checked and signed by Cllr Mrs C. Wilkie.
- iii. The Council then considered the budget monitoring report for October 2017, **noting** the **projected overspend of £222** - reflecting use of earmarked reserves as well as current years budget. The following projected **revised balances at 31st March 2018** were **noted**:-

	<u>£</u>
a. Litter Bin	4
b. Defibrillator	26
c. ERYC Grants	864
d. Premises Acquisition	10,000
e. Potential Election	4,000
f. Transparency Code	21
g. LPP Grasscutting	0
h. War Memorial Cleanse	400
i. Unallocated	<u>4,383</u>
Total	<u>19,698</u>

66. WITHERNWICK COMMUNITY WIND FARM FUND

The Council received an update from the Clerk on the following and **noted** the current position.

- a. Defibrillator – Cllr Croft investigating use of phone box.
- b. Benches and Litter Bins - Final claim to be processed.
- c. Planters - pending.

67. LOCAL ISSUES

- i. Conservation Area - Conservation Officer not yet available to attend a future meeting to answer councillors questions.

68. OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION

None.

69. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was reported that there will be a burial in the Grounds at 11 am on Friday 20th October 2017..

70. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was **confirmed** that the next Parish Council Meeting is to be held on Wednesday 13th December 2017 at 7pm in St Albans Church.

The Meeting closed 7.50pm

Signed..... (Chair)

Date.....