**Minutes to the**

**Meeting of Thwing & Octon Parish Council held on Monday 18th July 2022 at 7.00pm At Thwing Church Rooms, Church Lane, Thwing**

**767.** Apologies were received from Ward Cllr Evison

**768**. Declaration of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interest - none

Dispensations Issued - none

**769**. It was proposed by Cllr Burdass and seconded by Cllr Lancaster that the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th June 2022 be accepted as a true record. Passed

**770**.Ward Councillor C Dewhirst was welcomed to the meeting.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

**771**.Matters arising from last meeting

* 1. Cllr Frost gave an update on East - West Road, and other highway related issues following a site visit from C Skelton, Acting Director of ERYC Streetscene Services, and Ward Cllrs J Evison and C Dewhirst, on Friday the 15th July. Mr Skelton advised he would investigate why the remedial works to Church Lane had dropped down the schedule list of roadworks, and also to investigate roadmaster returning to do the remedial work on Rudston Road and Syndale.
  2. It was proposed by Cllr Blott and seconded by Cllr Carter that the Council do adopt the updated Health and Safety and Equality and Diversity Policy.+ risk assessment for ride on mower as presented. Passed
  3. The date for the Clerk’s annual review is again to be advised.
  4. The refurbishment of the telephone kiosk has been started and is progressing.
  5. The oiling of the bus shelters, both Thwing & Octon is ongoing, to be completed by September
  6. Discussions were held regarding the positioning of the new bench, as being too near the litter bin and too near the tank track and therefore a health and safety issue. No decision was agreed on repositioning.
  7. Following an article being placed in the local newsletter and notices on the notice boards there has been no volunteers coming forward to form a group to maintain green spaces within the parish. Cllr Coe to post on the village face book page.

**778.** Correspondence for discussion action and resolution

1. NALC Civility and Respect Project and training events was circulated
2. National Highways and Transport Survey was circulated
3. Town and Parish Council Event invite was circulated Clerk and Cllr Frost to attend.
4. ERNLLCA District Committee Meeting 21st July 7.00pm Cllr Peacock to attend
5. AONB survey reminder was circulated Cllr Peacock and the clerk have responded.
6. NALC Dementia Friendly survey results were circulated.

**779**.Finance

1. It was proposed by Cllr Coe and seconded by Cllr Burdass that the accounts and bank reconciliation to date be approved. Passed
2. It was proposed by Cllr Burdass and seconded by Cllr Lancaster that the compensation given from Lloyds Bank for the inconvenience and additional expense incurred by the clerk in the failure of the bank to act in a timely manner in switching the current account from HSBC to Lloyds which left the clerk in a position with no functioning PC bank account for several weeks, including the period of the Queens Jubilee, could be claimed by the clerk as an expense item. It was noted that the clerk personally funded the expenditure occurred for the Jubilee events, during this period, later reclaiming on her expenses. Passed
3. It was proposed by Cllr Burdass and seconded by Cllr Carter, following the circulation of a letter from Lloyds that the full amount of compensation being £191 be added to the clerk’s current expense claim. Passed.

**780**. Outstanding maintenance at the Mere was agreed as follows

1. Additional wood chippings for new path, Cllr Coe progressing
2. Weeding to be done as needed.
3. Some strimming already done, further to be done as needed- Cllrs Burdass, Lancaster and Coe
4. Reed cut back/spraying – Cllr Coe has been in touch with Wildscape who have undertaken a site visit, and will do a survey, at no cost, to establish the type of newt population in the mere. Reed cutting back is a winter job and their cost of doing the work is £1500 +VAT
5. Approx half a bag of grass seed has been sown by Cllr Peacock, remained to be done when the weather conditions are right

**781**. It was agreed that any one in the parish may place a brass plaque on the memory pole, after application to the Parish Council. The design and size of the plaque to be approved by the Council. The plaque should be purchased by the individual who is making the request, and installed and fitted by the Council. Cost of bending and fitting to be £45.00 any profit from this to go into the Mere fund. Article to be placed in the newsletter.

**782**.A discussion of a potential change in frequency of parish council meetings to allow a more diverse range of councillors to be included was deferred to the next meeting.

**783.**There were no agenda items put forward for the next meeting.

**784**. It was proposed by Cllr Burdass and seconded by Cllr Carter that the clerk apply for a stall at the village show. Cllrs Blott and Carter will attend, and aim to attract new members.

Meeting closed 8.35pm

Signed as a true record

Chairman Date