**Minutes to the Meeting of Thwing & Octon Parish Council held on Tuesday 27th September 2022**

 **(Postponed from the 19th due to The Mourning Period for Queen Elizabeth 11)**

**At 7.00pm at Thwing Church Rooms, Church Lane, Thwing**

**Present: Cllr E Peacock (Chairman); Cllrs G Coe and A Frost and Sandra Morrison (Parish Clerk)**

**Guest: Ward Cllr J Evison**

**788.** The chair welcomed members and guest and received apologies from Cllrs Blott, and Lancaster. Cllr Carter absent

**789**.There were no Declaration of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interest

 Dispensations Issued - none

**790.** It was proposed by Cllr Coe and seconded by Cllr Frost that the minutes of the meeting held on the 18th July 2022 be accepted as a true record. Passed

**791.**It was proposed by Cllr Peacock and seconded by Cllr Frost that the minutes of the extra ordinary meeting on the 22nd August 2022 be accepted as a true record. Passed

**792**.The meeting was opened to Ward Councillor Evison

Cllr Frost gave a brief synopsis on the roads and outstanding repairs and Cllr Evison promised to take the matter up with ERYC Highways, and also to follow up on the clearing of drains and soakaways that Cllr Dewhirst was dealing with.

**793.**Matters arising from last meeting

As well as an update on East - West Road, and other highway related issues, Cllr Frost also advised that the parish street lights have now been changed, free of charge by ERYC, to LED, giving a considerable financial saving and that the planter on Octon Road, which had been damaged by ERYC grass cutters, has been replaced with a new planter being obtained from Flixton Saw Mill and this has now installed by ERYC. The clerk has sent an invoice to ERYC to cover the costs.

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

1. ERYC Climate Change Survey for has been circulated for consideration and response.
2. ERNLLCA Training dates have been circulated
3. Update on NALC Civility and Respect Project has been circulated
4. Annual Report of the East Riding of Yorkshire and Kingston Upon Hull Joint Local Access Forum (2021-2022) for information and discussion has been circulated
5. Invitation to Teams meeting 29th September to discuss the Governments Gigabit voucher scheme has been circulated and Cllr Peacock advised that he knows of only 1 property that has poor broadband connectivity.
6. Police and Crime survey for completion has been circulated.
7. The email relating to our renewable energy study was passed to Cllr Coe for response.

**795.**It was proposed by Cllr Peacock and seconded by Cllr Coe that this council do agree a resolution to sign up to the civility and respect pledge. Resolved

 **796.**Finance

1. It was proposed by Cllr Coe and seconded by Cllr Peacock to approve accounts and bank reconciliation to date. Passed
2. It was proposed by Cllr Coe and seconded by Cllr Peacock to approve payment of clerk’s quarterly salary and expenses for period ending 31st September 2022. Passed
3. The external auditors report for conclusion of audit and external review was received.
4. The payment to the circuit for new defib battery for Octon £170 + VAT was approved
5. The payment of invoice from PKF Littlejohn of £240 in respect of external review was approved.
6. Payment of £500 for spraying of reeds at the Mere was approved subject to disclosure of appropriate paperwork. Cllr Coe to progress.
7. The budget review and agreement on expenditure on Mere maintenance was deferred in order that Cllr Coe can update the Mere Plan

 **797.**Outstanding maintenance at the Mere was agreed as below

1. Additional wood chippings for new path – will be done as chippings become available. Cllr Coe
2. Strimming – Cllr Coe to organise once wild flowers have died back, and all areas will be strimmed including the ditch
3. Reed spraying has now been done. The cut back and removal of reeds programmed for next year to be deferred for further assessment. – Cllr Coe to follow up with contractor.
4. It was agreed that further grass seeding is not required but Cllr Peacock will patch as needed
5. Following comments from ERYC that the positioning of the new bench does not conform to ERYC Highways criteria, the clerk is to contact ERYC for clarification.

**798.**Discussion to if the current frequency of parish council meetings is effective, and would a change of frequency allow a more diverse range of councillors to be included, leading to a more inclusive, effective and proactive council, was deferred until more members present.

**799**.A request was made that the potential moving of the 30mph village speed signs the edges of the village be listed as an agenda item for the next meeting. Remembrance Sunday also to be listed on October’s agenda.

**800**.It was proposed by Cllr Peacock and seconded by Cllr Frost that the new Emergency Plan questionnaire should not be completed, and that the existing comprehensive plan will be left in place. Passed

**801**.The guardianship roles for the defibrillators was discussed and it was agreed that cover for holiday periods should be organised between the two Thwing & Octon guardians, and that monitoring should be done on an identical basis.

**802.**The programme for Remembrance Sunday was discussed and it was agreed that, with the aim of bringing the community together, the clerk should organise for the church rooms to be opened with refreshments to be served. Ful programme to be finalised at the next meeting.

**803**.It was agreed that postings on social media and other methods of electronic communication should continue to be monitored.

**804**.It was proposed by Cllr Peacock and seconded by Cllr Frost that a triple size plaque should be procured, to commemorate Queen Elizabeth 11, and displayed on the memory pole. Cllr Frost to progress

**805**.A crab apple tree, in commemoration of the Queen, has been donated by a resident and it was agreed that this will be planted at the Mere. Clerk to progress.

 Meeting Closed 9.07pm

**Signed**

**Chairman Date.**