Minutes to the Meeting of Thwing & Octon Parish Council held on Monday 13th November 2023 At 7.00pm, at Church Rooms, Church Lane, Thwing

Present: Cllr S Morrison (Chairman) and Acting Clerk; Cllr P Burdass (Vice Chair);

Cllrs A Frost; E Harrison; J Blott; M Jibson

Guest: Ward Cllr J Owen

The chair welcomed members and Ward Cllr Owen

988. To receive apologies – Cllr Turnbull absent

989. To receive Declaration of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interest – Cllr Morrison and Cllr Frost declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 14 on the agenda, flooding on Dukes Lane

990. To agree minutes of the meeting held on the 9th October 2023 – proposed Cllr Burdass seconded Cllr Blott. Resolved

7.05 The meeting was opened to Ward Councillors Owen

991. Cllr Owen noted issues in the Parish – the road works on Church Lane have now been finished. The team had to come back for a further 4 days to make good the grass verges, after leaving the site with the a 10cm and more drop from the road edge, unfinished work at the cemetery entrance, and a dangerous drop from the pavement on the corner opposite Laburnum Cottage. Remedial works have now been done, which are still not satisfactory. Rudston Road urgently needs repairs with over 100 potholes having been reported. The request for a site visit by ERYC traffic management to discuss the repositioning of the 30 mph signs was ignored.

The issue with the pub and breach of planning is still ongoing and no further information is forthcoming.

992. To discuss and agree to co-option of new members – it was proposed by Cllr Frost and seconded by Cllr Blott that James Hare be co-opted as a member of Thwing & Octon PC. Resolved – it was proposed by Cllr Burdass and seconded by Cllr Blott that Timothy Lancaster be co-opted as a member of Thwing & Octon PC. Resolved

993. Matters arising

Update on balance of repairs to Church Lane as per above, Cllr Frost to continue to liaise with ERYC as repairs to grass verges are already being eroded and safety railings are needed due to the hazardous drop from the pavement at the top corner of the lane.

Update on overhanging trees Dukes Lane and Butts Lane – ERYC have advised that no action will be taken on the trees on Dukes Lane, the issue of who is responsible for the trees on Butts Lane which are overhanging the pavement is ongoing. Cllr Morrison is pursuing.

994. To discuss and agree proposals on relocation of **30mph** signs as per **ERYC** the proposed relocation points have been circulated and Cllr Morrison to respond by the 14th November.

Octon Road, the 30mp sign is currently in the grass verge very near a residents' drive. We have received complaints from this resident that he has, on several occasions, had a near miss with vehicles approaching Thwing from Octon as he exits his drive. The sign needs moving back to an effective distance to enable motorists to slow down sufficiently as they pass residents drives. There is also a children's play area further along this stretch of road which adds further weight to our application that the 30mph sign is moved west, past the two field entrances.

Wold Newton Road agreed ERYC proposal

Main Street – west of the village agreed ERYC proposal

<u>Main Street</u> - east of the village . The Parish Council wish for signs to be placed on the Burton Fleming Road, in the vicinity of the village name sign. There is a blind bend on this road as you come into the village. There are 2 public rights of way that access onto this road, which has no footpaths. Also, there is pedestrian access to the Mere and an old tank track that is used frequently by agricultural vehicles, both of which exit onto the bend. There is also a cluster of holiday accommodations on this bend and visitors walk in the road (as there is no footpath) to access the facilities at the mere or the adjacent rights of way.

A sign on Rudston Road would ideally be at the far end of the Mere bank near the beacon, to give some protection to pedestrians using the Mere path and seats, and again ease any pressures on vehicles using the tank track.

<u>Kilham Lane</u> as you approach the village, only the sign on the right-hand side of the road is visible, and this is recent, as the trees have now been cut back. During the summer months, neither signs are visible until you have passed the bend. There is a property entrance just on the bend and a new property, that is not visible, that has a concealed entrance on the brow of the hill. The 30 mph sign needs moving further back away from the residential property entrances, again ideally where the village name sign is.

The Parish Council therefore agree with part of the proposals but not all. Proposed Cllr Harrison and seconded Cllr Jibson. Resolved

995. Correspondence for information and action

- i. ERNLLCA Good Council training slides available for circulation
- ii. Call for UKSPF expression of interest Cllr Morrison has put forward an expression of interest to cover the proposed heritage trail
- iii. ERNLLCA October Newsletter circulated
- iv. ERNLLCA training circulated
- v. ASB Six month statistics East Wolds & Coast circulated
- vi. Parish & Town News release November Driffield and Rural circulated

996. Finance

1. To approve receipts & payments and bank reconciliation to date – proposed Cllr Blott seconded Cllr Jibson. Resolved.

- 2. Update on HMRC Penalty Notices Cllr Morrison advised that these have successfully been appealed and cancelled
- 3. To agree and adopt NALC pay review 2023 proposed by Cllr Burdass and seconded by Cllr Harrison. Resolved
- 4. To approve outgoing clerk's final salary, holiday pay, overtime and expenses and consider back pay in line with NALC pay review proposed by Cllr Morrison and seconded by Cllr Burdass that overtime should not be paid, as this had not been approved in accordance with her contract of employment. Resolved. NALC pay increase to be paid, plus holiday pay and expenses. Resolved
- 5. To agree payment terms to acting clerk on an hourly basis. October 12 hours rate salary scale 14 and to agree back pay. Proposed by Cllr Burdass seconded by Cllr Jibson. Resolved 6. To discuss and agree draft budget as presented, showing an increase in the precept demand to £7000. Proposed by Cllr Burdass seconded by Cllr Jibson. Resolved
- **997.** To discuss and agree to a programme of maintenance and repair to the drainage ditch at the Mere. Resolved that Cllr Burdass and Cllr Turnbull will clear.
- **998.** To approve annual service for the lawn mower —Cllr Burdass to book in with Scrutons. Proposed Cllr Morrison seconded Cllr Harrison. Resolved
- **999.** To discuss and formulate proposals for the proposed heritage trail using existing public footpaths. Cllr Morrison has submitted an expression of interest to the UKSPF for funding to repair/upgrade footpaths and install lecterns and way markers highlighting the heritage of the Parish. If a full application is requested Cllr Burdass to liaise with local landowners on proposed plans.
- **1000.** To discuss and agree arrangements for Christmas displays and agree on procurement of a tree for Thwing village. Proposed Cllr Morrison seconded Cllr Burdass that Cllr Morrison in her capacity as acting clerk procure a cut tree for placement at the cross roads in Thwing. Resolved.
- **1001. Resident's issues with flooding from Dukes Lane** Cllr Morrison outlined the problems they are having with surface water encroaching onto their property form the soakaway on the boundary of their land. A formal complaint has been put to ERYC and discussions have been held with highways drainage team. Matter is ongoing and of serious concern.

1002. To agree meeting dates for the year 2024

January	10	Wednesday
February	12	Monday
March	11	Monday
April	8	Monday
May	13	Monday

June	10	Monday
July	9	Monday
September	9	Monday
October	14	Monday
November	11	Monday

1003. To agree any agenda items for the next meeting scheduled 10^{th} January 2024 - no proposals

1004. To discuss and agree on appointment of a new clerk and RFO. The three members of the personnel committee held interviews on Friday the 11th November and it was proposed by Cllr Blott and seconded by Cllr Harrison that the panels recommendations be accepted. Cllr Morrison to write to the successful applicant with an offer. Resolved

Signed		
Chairman	Date.	