

**Sigglesthorpe Parish Council Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 5th May 2021 6pm Via Zoom due to current covid restrictions**

Minutes

1. Present

Cllrs. P Chicken, K Arundel, J Palin, P Hargreaves, P Langley
Ward Councillors B Jefferson & J Whittle
Clerk Nicki Salvidge

One member of the public

2. Apologies

3. Chairman's Welcome

4. Statement of Accounts for the four parochial Churches received.

5. Dates of the Years Meetings –

To be firmly agreed when possible, - Provisionally.

8th July 2021

9th September 2021

11 November 2021

13th January 2022

10th March 2022

12th May 2022

6. Village Matters

Nothing brought up.

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3694. Apologies

3695. Declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests regarding items on the agenda.

Cllr Arundel declared a pecuniary interest in Item 3699 as homeowner of one of properties affected.

3696. Election of Chairman

Clerk had received one notice on which Cllr. Langley Proposed and seconded, a long discussion took place following the vote, it was suggested that the vote be deferred to the next meeting, Proposed Cllr Arundel, seconded Cllr Hargreaves all agreed. Cllr Chicken to continue as chair for the meeting.

3697. Election of Vice Chairman

To be deferred to the next meeting. Proposed Cllr Chicken seconded Cllr Langley all agreed.

3698. Minutes of last meeting March 2020

Proposed as a true record in accordance with pre agreed changes requested by councillors.

3699. Ratification of matters agreed during Covid Lockdown.

To note that ownership of the hedge on East Lane and Hatfield Road had been investigated and found to be the responsibility of the residents who border it, therefore no responsibility of the Parish Council. It had been agreed by Parish Councillors that a letter be sent confirming to residents that they in fact own the hedge and that it is their responsibility.

That the clerk received a pay increase in line with NALC pay scale. To note that a change in pay scales now shows point 17 to be point 6 on the new scale.

3700. Co-option for vacancy following resignation.

Two applications received Cllr Arundel Proposed Mr. Kilvington, seconded Cllr Hargreaves Majority agreed, therefore Mr Kilvington duly elected.

3701. Matters arising

Item 3681 on minutes from March 2020, update, the speed board has been used and results shared, as and when police are available further checks will be made. An ANPR camera is now in the area.

Item 3682 Flooding on The Crescent resolved by Yorkshire Water, who found it to be a collapsed sewer, damaged by tree roots. Cllr Arundel thanked Cllr Langley for his hard work getting this resolved. Cllr Langley voiced his disappointment in lack of response from East Riding Council.

Item 3686 Drain Hatfield Road, highways visited and due to the road camber agreed that it was in the right place, that any flooding would be surface water which would soon disappear. Cllr Langley wished this to be followed up.

Item 3692 East Lane holes on verge, highways visited and saw no sign of any recent movement or digging around these holes and was happy that whatever had caused them had gone but would keep an eye on the issue and investigate further if needed, no new holes formed throughout the rest of the year.

Item 3689. Statue, due to no suitable place found for the statue, this would not be going ahead.

3702. Clerk's position

To be discussed in a sub committee made up of Cllrs Langley, Chicken, Arundel and Palin. Meeting to be arranged.

3703. Financial matters

Accounts shared and agreed.

Balance £ 7486.44

3704. Environmental Matters

Trees East Lane – trees still causing issues for and against, there was a discrepancy over a request for a report, which was verbal, therefore Cllr Langley asked if East Riding Council could provide reassurance that the trees would not in the future cause any damage to local infrastructure and height in writing. Cllr Hargreaves stated verbal reassurance not good enough and Cllr Chicken stated reports do not have to be written. Cllr Hargreaves reported a ginkgo biloba which could grow to 30m had been planted among the Rowen and cherry trees and was therefore concerned over its suitability and harm to hay fever sufferers, as they are heavy pollen makers, asking if it could be moved to a more suitable place.

To note dead trees have been reported to ERYC, also damaged trees reported.

Cllr Hargreaves proposed clerk write to East Riding for written clarification on the trees, seconded Cllr Arundel.

Cllr Arundel voiced her opinion on the way in which the trees came about and that it was unacceptable.

3705. Roads, footpaths, seats etc. –

a) Village footpaths – Weeds growing through tarmac on west side of main street to be treated and slurry seal to be added later this year to east side of the path. No definite date given.

3706. Police report

3707. Correspondence

Streetscene to visit village and meet with clerk only, please pass on any items you wish to be brought to their attention by 14th June in email to the clerk.

For noting - Letter received From East Riding of Yorkshire Council 17th March 2020 regarding complaint made against Cllr Palin which went before the East Riding of Yorkshire Standards Committee on 16th March 2020. Legal and democratic department accepted the apology and closed the case.

3708. Any other business

Clerk has drafted several policies which she believes will benefit the parish council and would like a small group of councillors to read through and check prior to bringing to the next council meeting to agree, agreed a group be formed.

Ward Councillor Jefferson asked that all matters be referred through the clerk, the clerk has a good working relationship with the ward councillors who will chase up any issues.

Cllr Hargreaves wished to note the good work of the litter pickers.

Cllr Hargreaves asked for a map of the parish, clerk to send a copy to all.

3709. Date of next Meeting to be agreed, subject to the lifting of the current restrictions. 8th July 2021

3710. To suspend the meeting for a period of no longer than 15 minutes for public participation.

(recorded) on agenda items.