

# Fulstow Parish Council Minutes

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Location: Fulstow Village Hall

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Time: 7pm

In attendance: Cllr Guillatt, Cllr Larder, Cllr Lawson, Cllr Mann & Cllr Pike, District Cllr Mossop and County Cllr Hall

Minutes taken by M Lawson Clerk & RFO

1. Apologies for absence from Cllr Flinn and Cllr Leonard were received and accepted by The Council
2. Declaration of personal/prejudicial interest: None received
3. Public participation: No members of the public in attendance
4. Public participation ends
5. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the 7<sup>th</sup> December were accepted as a true record and duly signed by the Chairperson
6. Matters arising
  - I. Printer costs: The Council approved the purchase of a new printer at £45 and a monthly charge of £3.99 for ink. Clerk to arrange purchase and set up of DD
7. To approve final figures for Precept for 2024/25 – The Council unanimously agreed to increase the precept from £4100 to £4400, this was an increase of approx. 5.85% on a Band D house.
8. To approve and adopt the Councillors Code of Conduct – The Council unanimously agreed to adopt the updated Councillors Code of Conduct.
9. Information re Lincolnshire countryside pylon consultation: After discussing the 'Great Grid Upgrade' the Council agreed to hold a Village meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> February to enable them to hear points from villagers before deciding on a course of action. Clerk to arrange and publicise.
10. To approve Notice of Tender for grass cutting: The Council approved the notice of tender document for the Parish Council website. Clerk to upload onto the website
11. To agree a change of meeting date due to local elections: Meeting date changed from 2<sup>nd</sup> February to 9<sup>th</sup> February. Clerk to update.
12. Defibrillators –The village defibrillators are listed incorrectly on the national database of defibrillators which is used by the emergency services. Clerk to contact M Waddicor for advice.
13. Charity Commissions Annual Return for the financial period ending 31/03/2023: The Clerk advised that the Bullgrass annual return had been completed
14. Communications received
  - I. Cllr Mossop explained ELDC, along with other councils, are campaigning to the Government for a fairer funding method for Internal Drainage Boards which will ensure the vital work of the IDBs can be protected and allows the council to use its council tax for services.
  - II. The Clerk advised the National Planning Framework had been updated and she would examine it further to see if it changes the way the Council deals with planning applications. She further advised on a government consultation on 'Street note

development orders' which would give residents the ability to propose development on their streets.

- III. The Clerk had completed a LALC Survey re Parish Council and the services we have/manage.
  - IV. Information on the Greater Lincolnshire devolution proposal had been received
  - V. Information on the Active Travel Scheme Louth town centre survey had been received
  - VI. Information on LCC Budget and Council Tax Proposal 2024/25 had been received
  - VII. Cllr Hall gave a summary of his E-Brief January 2024
15. Any other business
- I. Email – The Clerk advised that she was currently looking at .Gov or similar emails and also tablets for Councillors to ensure compliance with data protection. Cllr Mossop advised contact with Utterby PC Clerk for advice on email addresses. Cllr Guilliat suggested using projector during meetings as an alternate to tablets.
  - II. Cllr Lawson has had a complaint from a villager regarding Chicken/egg farms transporting bulk animal waste etc uncovered. Cllr Lawson will look into regulations and requested the matter to be included on the next agenda
  - III. Cllr Pike informed the Council of the recent problems with Anglian Waters road closures & diversions and also the mess that they left behind
16. Date of next meeting: Extraordinary meeting/Village Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024  
Next Parish Council 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### **Action Points**

- Cllr Larder to speak to Village Hall Committee regarding the emergency plan
- Cllr Larder to speak to R Beecroft re graphics for Village sign
- Cllr Pike to follow up gardener for flower beds
- Cllr Pike to place notification for village meeting on newsletter
- Clerk to purchase printer
- Clerk to submit precept documentation to ELDC
- Clerk to book hall for village meeting & promote on website/Facebook/posters
- Clerk to place notice of tender on website
- Clerk to update dates of meeting for 2024 on website and email to Councillors
- Clerk to contact M Waddicor regarding defibrillators
- Clerk to research the new National Planning Framework
- Clerk to look into new email addresses