

FREETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL
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Minutes of Parish Council meeting - Mon. 1st April 1996 7.30 p.m.

Present - Mr. R. Pipes (Chairman) Mrs. M. Woodgate, Ms. L. Turner,

Mr. D. Gint, Mr. D. Wright, Mr. A. Perfect. In attendance -

Mr. J. Smithson (District Councillor) Mrs. Claire Sketch (English Nature)

Mr. David Zeichner, Mr. David Barrett, Mr. P. Hamilton.

Mr. Fisher and 20 Parishioners.

Apology - Mr. Peter Edrich, Mr. Robert Chase.

The Chairman opened the meeting to discussion about the way forward in preparation for the expected Public Enquiry on re-classification of CRB 2 and 10.

A meeting was arranged at Mrs. Woodgate's house on Thursday 11th April 1996 at 2 p.m. for the Team appointed to deal with preparations i.e. Mrs. Woodgate, Mrs. Fisher, Mr. D. Barrett (R.S.P.B.) and Mr. R. Pipes.

It was agreed that P. Council is responsible for having a circular letter printed for distribution in Freethorpe, Wickhampton & Halvergate (asking for any evidence of challenges to people using the bridle way)

Clerk was asked to enquire about a copy of the Enclosure Award for Wickhampton.

Mr. Pipes thanked all who had come for their interest.

The Parish Council then did the routine business:-

1. Minutes read & signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - Parish Council decided to back the N.C.C. proposals to stop flooding on School Road. The 3 new signatories signed cards for Giro bank.
3. Planning - P.C. had no objection to application by R. Dunthorne to demolish Church Farmhouse at Wickhampton, but expressed some concern at likely use of site.
4. Finance - clerk stated that she had received a payment of £23.76 for contents of bottle bank.

5. A.O.B. Clerk was asked to arrange with Adrian Barber for a Cub Scout village clean-up of litter.

conferences on April 10th - 24th - no one wished to attend.

Vacancy on Parish Council - clerk has put up notices sent by B.D.C. date for request for election is April 13th - after that date, if no election, then another councillor may be co-opted. One person is known to be interested.

Next meeting (Annual) May 20th 1996 7.30 p.m.

Annual Parish Meeting 8.00 p.m.

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20.5.96

Annual
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting - Monday May 20th 1996

- 7.30 p.m. Present - Mr. R. Pipes (~~Mr. R. Pipes~~) Mrs. M. Woodgate.

Mrs. L. Turner Mr. D. Wight Mr. A. Perfect and the clerk.

Apology - Mr. D. Gint

1. Election of officers:- Prop. A. Perfect, Sec. M. Woodgate

that Roger Pipes be re-elected as Chairman.

All in favour. (Roger agreed to continue for one year).

Vice-chairman. Proposed - A. Perfect, Sec. D. Wight.

that Dennis Gint be re-elected. All in favour.

Clerk. Prop. M. Woodgate, Sec. L. Turner that Mrs. E.

Moll be re-elected. All in favour. Clerk's salary to.

remain at £250 per annum.

2. Minutes read & signed as a true record.

3. Matters arising - Cub Scouts had picked up nine bags of litter Prop. L. Turner, Sec. D. Wight that P.C. sends a donation of £15.00 to 1st Freethorpe Scouts.

Re-classification - Public Inquiry to be held at

Freethorpe Village Hall on Wed. July 10th 1996 10 a.m.

Co-opted of new Parish Councillor.

Prop. D. Wight. Sec. L. Turner that Janet Church.

be appointed. Voting 3 for 1 Against.

Letter to be sent to Janet and to M. Blake who was

also interested.

4 Planning. no further applications

5 Finance - cheques signed for Cornhill Insurance £167.78
 clerk's salary + postage £263.89 C-b Scouts £15.00

6 A.O.B. Re Village Pump area - Roger will try to get another quote.

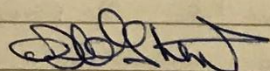
Skip to be placed at Village Hall on Sat.

June 22nd 8.30 - 11.15 a.m. (Clerk to confirm)

Highways Dept suggestion about change of procedure for complaints was rejected. Clerk to inform N.C.C.

No one interested in attending meeting on 1st Nov 1996 when speaker will be Mr. Cive Needle MEP.

Next meeting. Monday 17th June 1996
 7.30 p.m.



14th June 1996

minutes of
Annual Parish Meeting held at Freethorpe
Village Hall on Monday, May 20th 1996 - ~~20th~~,
8 p.m.

Present 5 Parish Councillors and the clerk.
Mr. R. Pipes presided.

1. minutes read - signed as a true record.

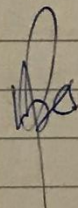
2. no matters arising.

3. Report on Walpole Almshouse Charity was given
by Mrs. E. Moll (Secretary).

4. Representative to Playing Field Committee.
Prop Roger that Alan Perfect be elected
Sec. David Wight. All in favour.

5. No further business.

meeting closed at 8.32 p.m.


12/5/97

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at
Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, June 17/96 7.30 p.m.

Apology from Mr. R. Pipes.

Present - Mr. D. Grint (acting chairman) Mrs L. Turner,
Mrs M. Woodgate, Mrs. J. Church, Messrs D. Wight
Mr. A. Perfect and the clerk.

Mr. Grint welcomed the new Parish Councillor, Janet Church.

1. Minutes read & signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising - Highways Dept had acknowledged letter
about P.C. wish to keep present system of reporting
complaints etc. Mr. Grint offered to accompany the
Technician who is due to inspect in week beginning
24th June 1996. Highways matters to be reported -
School Road
Sign - Wickhampton end needs to be repaired.

Drain blocked on Low Rd, Wickhampton, near
Wickhampton Farm Barn bend.

Subsidence at junction of Old Chapel Road and
The Common, Freethorpe.

Query regarding ^{when} speed limit ^{is} to come into
operation

3 Planning -

Amended plan for Mr. & Mrs C. High - extension at p.c.

"Janera", 63 The Common, Freethorpe. (Supported)

Mr. Grint declared an interest in application by Mr.

& Mrs K. Grint for two storey side & rear extension at

45 The Green, Freethorpe; and he left the Hall while

councillors examined the plans. ^{from 3 neighbours} letters were read opposing

the plan, and councillors opposed the developments as

being out of character with surroundings and affecting
neighbouring houses.

4. Finance - cheque for NCAPTC (£102.88)
signed (am. Sub. + stationery).
The Clerk reported on recent Audit of books
and accounts' book was open to inspection.

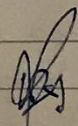
5. A.O.B. The Chairman asked Mrs Woodgate to
report on P.C. representation at Public Inquiry
on July 10/96. Recent illness had meant that
the Sub-committee meeting was cancelled, so
nothing to report.

Village Pump - Clock Area - very untidy state.
Prop. A. Perfect, Sec. D. Wright that Robert Waters
be asked to quote for tidying + weed-killing.
All in favour. Mr. Gint wondered if P.C. ought
to consider placing a disclaimer to effect that P.C.
are not responsible for injuries in Clock/Pump Area.

To be reported to Police - Cars parking at night
with no lights and sometimes partly on foot-paths.

Mrs Woodgate stated that with BDL grant and
money raised, Wickhampton parishioners will not
be asking for a P.C. grant towards work at
Play Area. She was congratulated on efforts
made in Wickhampton.

Next meeting - Monday July 15/96 7.30 p.m.
meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

 15.7.96

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 15th July 1996 7.30 p.m.

1. Present - R. Pipes (Chairman), D. Gint, Mrs. M. Woodgate, Mrs. L. Turner, Mrs. J. Church, A. Perfect, D. Wright and the Clerk. In attendance - J. Smithson (District Councillor).
2. Minutes read - signed as a true record.
3. Matters arising - the clerk reported that Mr. Trevor Setherwood and Mrs. J. Calver had already tidied up and used weed-killer on Pump - Clock Area so no quote for this work had been necessary. Thanks to be expressed to those two parishioners. Community policeman has told the Clerk that the speed restriction changes rules concerning parking of vehicles at night without lights, but these should not cause obstruction. From previous minutes - Clock - Pump Area - Chairman has seen John High who will begin repairs at end of summer, and these will be carried out in stages.
4. Planning - P.C. supported amended application for extension at 1 Bowler's Close (m. Mrs Beggis). It was noted that J.W. Fisher (meats) are lodging an appeal against refusal of planning consent for 4/5 houses on site of cattle sheds between Birch House and corner of Kimpenhoe Road. P.C. comments that as previously said - no objection to development as such, BUT disagree with wording in Para. 9 of Grounds for Appeal (i.e. P. Council are concerned about flooding)

5. Finance - donations were made of £50.00 each for
 keep of the 3 cemeteries (wick. All Saints - Methodist)
 £50.00 to be paid (travel expenses) to Andrew Dunlop ✓
 re Public Inquiry; £450.00, + £50.00 (hire charges)
 to Freethorpe Village Hall Management Committee.

6. A.C.B. - letters of thanks to be sent to (Mrs. Woodgate
 Mr. - Mrs Fisher, Mr. D. Barrett re Public Inquiry) (was thanked by
 the chairman)
 who wished to place on record the appreciation
 of the Parish Council for all her hard work.

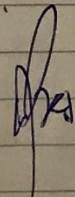
P.C. Chris Henshaw had pointed out danger to children
 of loose stones on School Road. Mr. Owen Woodgate
 agreed to deal with this.

Letter from Mrs M. Gibson re Village Fete was
 handed to Mr. Dennis Gint for consideration by the
 Playing Field Committee.

Tanet Church - Dennis Gint to attend Parish District Councillors
 meeting at Thorpe Lodge - Oct 3/96 6.45
 Highways - following to be reported ① Pot-holes on
 Church Rd, Wickhampton ② uneven and rutted
 foot paths between Freethorpe Methodist Church
 to the Parish Church ③ hole in the highway
 outside Harvest Cottage, The Common, Freethorpe
 (erosion below road surface is feared) ✓

Notes from Mental Health circular to be sent for Parish Magazine.

next meeting - Monday, Sept 16/96 7.30 p.m.


 16.9.96

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on Monday 16th Sept 1996
at 7.30 p.m. at Freethorpe Village Hall.

1. Present Mr R. Pipes (Chairman), Mr. J. Gint, Mrs. M. Woodgate, Mrs. L. Turner, Mrs J. Church, Messrs A. Perfect, D. Wight and the Clerk.
2. Minutes read and signed as a true record.
3. Planning. It was noted that app. by Mr. & Mrs K. Gint for extension at 45 The Green had been refused.
Application by Richard Balmforth for 2 dwellings at junction of The Green - School Road
- P.C. supported but with proviso re no hedges to obstruct view at B.S. corner. Also asked for an investigation re underground petrol tank on this site.
4. Finance. Clerk had received payment of £27.45 for re-cycled glass.
Chairman had received letter from Ade P.C. asking for moral & financial support for Swimming Pool in Ade. Letter of reply supporting in principle.
5. A.O.B. - Village Sign plinth has suffered damage. Clerk to obtain quotes from Matthew Smith - M. Boggis - also to look at insurance policy.
To be reported to Highways - red spray paint on Village sign at Top Common. Reminder about state of foot. paths along Chapelfield & The Green etc.
B.D.C. - offer of skip - Clerk to request this for early Spring 1997.
David Wight requested that Cartley P.C. Clerk be informed of bad state of lane from Southwood Oaks Farm to bottom of hill near Southwood Church.
Clerk to inform Community Policemen about breaking of speed limit between before 9 a.m. and from 5 p.m.

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Police Consultation documents to be dealt with at next meeting.

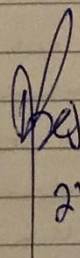
No-one wished to attend meeting at Thorpe St Andrew (October) when Cive Needle MEP will be speaking & answering questions.

No further news on re-classification of CRB 2 - 10.

Mrs Woodgate asked P.C. to support parents of Donna Payne - Claire Barker who are having difficulty in being picked up and brought home to Wickhampton from the College of Further Education.
Clark to write to Euston Road office.

Next meeting - Monday 21st Oct 1991.

7.30 p.m.



21.10.91

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 21st October 1996. 4.30 p.m.
 Present: Mr. R. Pipes (presiding) Messrs D. Gint, D. Wight, A. Perfect, Mrs M. Woodgate, Mrs L. Turner, Mrs. J. Church and the clerk.

1. Minutes were read and signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising. Education Dept has informed the clerk (and the parents concerned) that the College bus will be calling at Wickhampton mornings and afternoons from October 28th 1996.

Quotes for work on Village Sign -

Matthew Smith 193.87 (incl. VAT).

M. Baggis 385.00

Clerk was asked to see Matthew Smith to enquire whether new oak post was included in price, if not to ask for new quote. Planning Sub-committee to decide on quote accepted, as work needs to be put in hand as soon as possible.

Re-classification of CRB 2.10 - no further comments had been made by Parish Council following letter from Inspectorate about markings on maps of the marshes.

It was noted that the footpath from the Methodist Church to the junction of Chapelfield and the Green (Billud) was repaired immediately after last P.C. meeting. However the clerk was asked to remind Highways Dept of bad state of footpath along the Green to the Parish Church, also of large pot hole on Church Road Wickhampton (first reported in July 96).

The clerk reported that BDC had given full planning permission for two dwellings at School Rd (Richard Balmforth). Permission includes proviso re ensuring that there are no hedges, shrubs etc. to obscure view at Blacksmith's Shop Corner. Nigel Harriss has assured the clerk that the underground petrol tank has been made safe.

3. Planning - Matthew Smith's application for dwelling at The Common has been refused.

Mr. E. Plais application for extension at School House was approved by B.D.C.

4. Finance - Clerk had received further payment of £1250.00 (Receipt - 2nd part)

5. A.O.B. Norfolk Constabulary had asked for P.C. comments on policing - clerk was asked to reply that P.C. values Community Policeman's presence in the villages, but an even higher profile would be helpful.

Annual Meeting of District - Parish Councils - Javel Church - Dennis Gint reported on their impressions of the meeting, and will prepare comments for the clerk to send to BDC.

Community policeman has been asked to contact the clerk re enforcement of speed limit, also to be told about cars parking on footpaths (daytime + nights).

The Clerk (who is a Trustee + Secretary of Walpole Almshouse Charity) told the P.C. that an application has been made to Charity Commission for G. England + Walpole R. in need charities to be merged with Walpole Almshouse Charity. phoned 18th November 1996. hinda ✓
next meeting - Monday.

7.30 p.m F. V. Hall.

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18.11.96

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, Nov. 18th 1996 . 7.30 p.m.

Apology - Mrs Janet Church.

Present - Mr. R. Pipes (Chairman), Messrs D. Gint, A. Perfect, D. Wight, Mrs. M. Woodgate, Mrs L. Turner and the clerk.

1. Minutes read & signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising - Village Sign repairs - further quote from Matthew Smith (which includes new oak post)

- £265.00 + VAT 46.37. total £311.37

- this being the lower quote. Clerk to write to Matthew Smith asking him to put the work in hand.

Letter to M. Beggis, thanking him for quoting etc.

Clerk to make insurance claim for damage to plinth at Village Sign.

Letter from Highways Dept stated that temporary work had been carried out on pot-hole at ^{Church} ~~ham~~ Rd Wickhampton, permanent repair to be carried out shortly. Foot-path repairs along The Green to be put on list of work needed.

3 Planning - Mr. & Mrs T. Sotherwood's application for demolition of present extension, to be replaced by new extension.

Support - proviso re taking light from neighbouring property.

4 Finance - cheques signed for Royal British Legion £13.00 (Peppy Wreath) and Norfolk Accident Rescue Service (£20.00)

5. A.O.B. Report to Highways Dept. flooding at Barn Corner, how Rd. Wickhampton and Top Common - "Risha" to "Merivale".

next meeting - Monday January 20th 1997 - 7.30 p.m.
at Freethorpe Village Hall.

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20.1.97

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall
on Monday, January 20th 1997 - 7.30 p.m.

Present - Mr. R. Pipes (presiding) Messrs D. Grint, A. Perfect, D. Wright,
Mrs. M. Woodgate, Mrs. L. Turner, Mrs. J. Church. In attendance
- Mr. J. Smithson (district councillor), 2 Parishioners - the clerk.

1. Minutes read - Signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - clerk is in contact with Cornhill Insurance
re Village sign, claim form has been sent.
Matthew Smith to begin work on the plinth at Village
Sign in February. Margaret Woodgate stated that
she has also, separately, reported pot hole at Church
Rd. Wickhampton.
3. Planning - clerk reported that Mr. & Mrs Trevor Southernwood
have been given full planning permission for extension at Pump
Cottage, Freethorpe.
Application by K. & R. Grint for extension at 45 The Green,
Freethorpe - Support by P.C. Also supported
outline application for dwelling next 45 The Green.
4. Finance - Precept Prop - D. Grint. Sec. A. Perfect
that this be set at £3,000. All agreed, having
studied state of finances prepared by the clerk
and taking into account position re Village Pump
repairs. Chairman & vice chairman had met Paul
White of B.D.C. at site, and it is expected that a
substantial grant will be forthcoming.
(R. Pipes was given all correspondence relating to this work)

Finance contd. cheque signed for £17.50 CPRE Annual Subscription.

A.O.B. - Mrs. Linda Turner mentioned letter from Head Master of Freethorpe C.P. School asking for P.C. support for his application ^{for grant} of £30,000.00 from National Lottery Funds (Band ^{1st} instruments etc) All agreed.

Clerk was asked to write to Highways Dept re B1140 between Moulton Manor Farm Cottages and Moulton Old Rectory where running water constitutes a hazard for traffic.

Clerk was asked to book a large refuse skip to be placed at Freethorpe Village Hall on Saturday 5th April 1997 (n.b. dates given Sept. 27/97 + Feb 2/98)

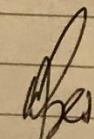
Kevin Grint complained of bad parking opposite Methodist Church (at junction of The Common (Chapel Side) and Youngs Crescent), also parking on berds near Parish Church is regarded as a hazard.

Clerk was asked to report this to Norfolk Police.

Clerk informed of Public Meeting at James Paget Hospital - Monday 27th Jan. 1997 - 7 p.m.

next meeting - Monday 17th Feb. 1997 7.30 p.m.

Freethorpe Village Hall.



Signed

Date

17.2.97

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 17th February 1997 at 7.30 p.m.

Present - Mr. R. Pipes (Chairman), Mr. D. Gint, Mrs. M. Woodgate, Mrs L. Turner, Mrs J. Church, Mr. A. Perfect, Mr. D. Wright and the Clerk. In attendance Mr. Ted Lees, prospective Tory candidate for Norfolk County Council (Ade Division).

The meeting observed a short silence as a mark of respect for Mr. Alec Alexander, who died recently, and who served as a Parish Councillor for 49 years, and was a former Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council. The chairman paid tribute to Mr. Alexander's contribution to Council and Community.

1. Minutes were read and signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - Cornhill Insurance have accepted Matthew Smith's estimate for work at Village Sign, but there is £75.00 excess. Mr. Pipes reported on work at Village Clock - Pump Area. May be problems in choosing colour for new tiles, also with agreeing paint colour with B.D.C. The Clerk gave date Sept 27/97, when slip is available for collection from Village Hall. It was noted that following accident at Church Rd Wickhampton - deep pot. hole has now been repaired (Clerk had again reported this on 5.2.97 shortly before accident occurred).
3. Finance - cheque for £65.80 was signed (Audit Commission)
4. No further planning applications.
5. A.O.B. Highways Dept to be informed that there are still pot.holes on Church Rd, Wickhampton, also on Linpenhoe Rd, water on road near Farm Barn on how Rd Wickhampton continues to be a problem. Also P.C consider there is urgent need for a roundabout at White House Corner North Burlingham at junction of ^{Cowley/Beighton Rd.} Beet route and the A.47.

The Chairman invited Mr. Lees to address the meeting.

next meeting - Monday, 17th March 1997 F.V. Hall 7.30 p.m.

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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe
Village Hall on Monday, March 17th 1997 - 7.30 p.m.

Apology from Alan Perfect

Present - Mr. R. Pipes (chairman) Mr. D. Gint Mrs. M. Woodgate
Mrs L. Turner Mrs J. Church Mr. D. Wright and the clerk.
In attendance - Mr. Ted Lees.

1. Minutes were read & signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - clerk was asked to find out when Matthew Smith will begin work at the Village Sign.
Nothing further to report about Village Pump area.
Repairs to pot-holes on Church Rd Wickhampton are not satisfactory - this to be reported to Highways dept.
3. Finance - cheque signed for £12.90 (Standard rose for presentation to Margaret Woodgate)
Prop D. Gint Sec. J. Church that the clerk be appointed as Responsible Financial Officer. All in favour.
Accounts book + bank statements checked by R. Pipes.
4. Planning - P.C. supported applications by Mrs. L. Fisher for demolition of fire-damaged barn & building of replacement Dutch barn, and by Anglian Water for Replacement Kiosk at The Common, Freethorpe.
5. A.O.B. Mrs Freda Pipes was appointed as Nominative Trustee for Walpole Almshouse Charity.
Highways matters to be reported - deep pot-hole near gully at bend on Halvergate Road, pot-holes near the Abbatir, bad state of entrance to old Chapel Rd from The Common, also wearing away of grass verge at this point by heavy vehicles.
Noise nuisance from Generator, at the Abbatir to be reported.
Mrs Janet Church spoke about unrest at Youngs Crescent

with regard to the grass area where B.D.C. notices limit access except for mothers & toddlers. Clerk to request that BDC revise notice to include children up to 9 yrs.

Vandalism at Playing Field - bottles from Bottle Bank have been smashed on to football pitch.

Clerk to request action to prevent bottles being removed from the Bank.

Re-classification - Parish Council very pleased at the result of the Public Enquiry when the inspector ruled that CRB 2 & 10 should remain as bridle-ways.

Mrs. Woodgate was thanked for her hard work and was presented with a standard rose-bush. Following to be thanked for their help & interest - Mr. & Mrs Fisher, Mr. D. Barrett, Andy Dunlop.

Mrs. Woodgate tendered her resignation due to ill-health - this was accepted with regret. She had been on the P.C. since 1985.

next meeting - Monday, 21st April 1997 7.30 p.m.

signed *[Signature]*

date. 21st April 1997