

FREETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL  
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2004-2005

**Minutes of Meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council**  
**Held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2004 at 7.30p.m.**

**Present** – Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, 19 Parishioners, Tree Warden [Joy Brock], Mike Northover [District Councillor] and the Clerk.

**Apologies** received from Brian Iles, Mark Askew and Andrew Garner.

**First ten minutes for public participation** - several residents at Chapelfield voiced objections to Kevin Frances' application for calf shed, implement store and hay loft on land adjoining 19, The Green, Freethorpe. Mike Northover said that he had spoken to Planning Officer and that no decision has yet been made, but that objectors, applicant and Parish Council representative are allowed to attend and speak for 3 minutes each at the meeting when decision will be made. A letter from the applicant had been sent to the clerk and to residents affected. Clerk was asked to write to B.D.C. stating that the P.C. position remains the same – i.e. concern about size of proposed building, but also stating that there are strong objections from nearby residents. Stephen Smith gave an update on Freethorpe Football Club's activities – 1. setting up youth structures [working with the School etc.], 2. improving the ground [training area, floodlights etc.] and 3. Fund raisisng. It was agreed that the promised P.C.grant will be made at the May meeting.

1. **Minutes** had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. **Matters arising** –dealt with under other headings.
3. **Finance** - no financial transactions.
4. **Planning** - Councillors supported application by Mr. R. Jermy for double garage at 103 The Green, Freethorpe, and application by Mr. T. Chillman for extension at 24, Youngs Crescent. The clerk was asked to query use of workshop etc. on application by Mr. D. Moore , 4 Chapelfield, Freethorpe.
5. **A.O.B.** The clerk had attended a Risk Assessment course on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2004, and will report to the Annual Parish Council Meeting about necessary changes to be put in place. The chairman reported that he has a new sign ready to place on the Playing Field.

The clerk reported that vandalism has occurred at the Cemetery at Freethorpe Methodist Church where gravestones have been knocked down. The Police have been informed.

Freda Pipes to be asked to give a report on Walpole Almshouse Charity at The Annual Parish Meeting when there will also be a report by the P.C.Chairman [Nick Spencer], and written reports by Mike Northover and Brian Iles who will be unable to attend.

**Annual Parish Council Meeting -7.30p.m. Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2004** at Freethorpe Village Hall, to be followed by Annual Parish Meeting at 8 p.m.

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 17<sup>th</sup> MAY 2004



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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council  
Held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2004 at 7.30p.m.

Present – Nick Spencer, David Lake, Linda Turner, Janet Church, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, six Parishioners and the Clerk. In attendance – the Community Police Officer Mark Askew.

Apologies received from Andrew Garner, Michael Northover and Brian Iles.

The clerk gave a welcome and asked for nominations for Chairman for coming year. Proposed Janet Church, Seconded Linda Turner that Nick Spencer be re-elected. No other nominations and all were in favour of this appointment.

1. Nick Spencer presiding asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman – Prop. Linda Turner, Sec. Michael Blake that David Lake be re-elected. All in favour. Appointment of clerk and responsible financial officer – prop. Nick Spencer, sec. David Lake that Edith Moll be re-elected at salary of £520.00 per annum plus expenses. All in favour. Mrs. Gillian Brown to be asked to continue as internal auditor at salary of £20.00 per annum.
2. Minutes of previous meeting had been circulated and were signed as a true record.
3. Matters arising – two items with regard to planning -1. it was noted that the application by Kevin Francis for Calf shed etc. has been withdrawn. Tony Tibbenham thanked the Parish Council for their help in this matter.
  2. B.D.C. had sent list of planning decisions which included application for 4, Chapelfield, Freethorpe [extension, car port etc.] which had been queried by the Parish Council, but this has received full approval from planners.
4. FINANCE - Cheques were authorized for Allianz Cornhill [insurance] £611.67, Clerk's salary £533.50 [expenses book checked by chairman], and Freethorpe Football Club's grant £1500.00
5. PLANNING – Applications by Mr. & Mrs. K. Colman for two storey Extension and double garage at The Old Vicarage, Lower Green, and By Mr. Kevin Grint for demolition of old buildings, extension to dwelling and double garage at 49, The Green, Freethorpe were supported by the P.C.
6. A.O.B. Linda Turner raised the question of responsibility for cutting walk ways at side of fields affected by the Countryside Stewardship Scheme. Clerk to make enquiries. A letter from Indira Goodson referred to overgrown verges making it dangerous for pedestrians especially where there are no foot-paths e.g. Lower Green. Reference also made to danger at Callow Pit Corner, Southwood where visibility is very limited at present. Clerk to inform Highways of these matters, asking for priority treatment for Callow Pit Corner.

Linda Turner said that Parish Council are asked by Village Hall & Playing Field Committee to provide items and man stall at Village Fete on 27.6.04

Parish Pages and Norfolk Matters magazines were distributed.

Appointed as Risk Assessment Councillors – Nick Spencer, David Lake.

Date for next meeting of the Parish Council –Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2004.  
Freethorpe Village Hall at 7.30p.m.

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Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall  
On Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2004 at 8.00.p.m.

Present Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Linda Turner, Janet Church, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, Freda Pipes [Chairperson Walpole Almshouse Charity], Community Police Officer Mark Askew, 12 Parishioners and the Clerk. Apologies received from Andrew Garner, Mike Northover and Brian Iles.

1. Minutes of last Annual Parish Meeting were read and signed as a true record.
2. There were no matters arising.

3. **REPORTS** Walpole Almshouse Charity report was presented by Freda Pipes who said that there has been a delay in installation of oil-fired central heating but that it is hoped that this will be done in near future. Audited accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2003 were available for inspection.

NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL – In the absence of Brian Iles, this was read by the Chairman and a copy is attached.

BROADLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL – Mike Northover's written report was read by the Chairman and a copy is attached. In his report, Mr. Northover stated that he will not be seeking reelection in June, and the clerk was asked to write a letter of thanks for all his valuable assistance while in office.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Nick Spencer reflected on his first year as chairman of the Parish Council, and said that he feels that councillors are undervalued as their job can be very difficult at times especially with regard to decisions on planning etc. However, he is enjoying his term of office and is happy to have been reelected for another year.

COMMUNITY POLICE OFFICE'S REPORT was given by Mark Askew who reported that the crime figures for Freethorpe are very low. There had been two recent cases of burglary and also vandalism [especially distressing at Methodist Cemetery where grave-stones had been disturbed.] He gave a warning to householders about danger in hot weather of leaving windows and doors open, also to be aware of distraction burglaries and to be careful about allowing unauthorized persons to enter the home.

He said that speed monitoring will be undertaken during the summer months..

A Police Dog Display at the Freethorpe C.P. School recently was very well received.

His words about cuts in number of policemen to be on the beat sparked off protests, and it was decided to write from the meeting to Inspector Pestle at Acle and Chief Inspector Strong at North Walsham about concerns in this matter.

4. Prop. D.Lake, Sec. N. Spencer that Linda Turner be re-elected to serve on the Village Hall and Playing Field Committee.

5. David Grint asked about whether money was available for P.C. grant to Football Club, and was told that this had already been authorized at the earlier meeting. Tony Tibbenham complained about placing of Dog Bin opposite Chapelfield bungalows and next to field where he says dog-owners run their dogs. Nick Spencer said that he would contact Mark Webster who hires the field in question and ask whether access could be made less easy.

*N Spencer 18<sup>th</sup> April 05*



Minutes of special Planning Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall on  
Monday, 7th June 2004 at 7.30.p.m.

Apology received from the Chairman of the Parish Council, Nick Spencer.

Present David Lake (presiding), Janet Church, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, Andrew Garner, 32 Parishioners and the clerk.

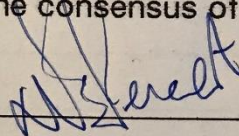
David Lake welcomed all those present, and explained that the meeting had been called to discuss the new application by Kevin Francis for an implement store and hay loft on land adjoining 19, The Green, Freethorpe.

The Parish Council looked at the plans, and then these were made available for all to see. Discussion followed with a few residents from Chapelfield still objecting mainly on the grounds of loss of view over the fields, but many spoke in favour of the plan and when a vote was taken to judge present feeling 21 voted for, 5 against and 6 abstained.

The Parish Council voted by secret ballot, 6 FOR, 1 AGAINST (the chairman having two votes to make an odd number), so application was supported with a comment to BDC that the consensus of opinion at the meeting was in favour of the development.

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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall  
on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2004 at 7.30p.m.

Apology received from Brian Iles and David Lake.

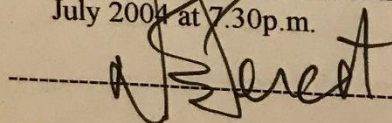
Present – Nick Spencer [presiding], Michael Blake, Andrew Garner, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Paul Bacon, Tree Warden [Joy Brock], 4 parishioners and the clerk.

First ten minutes for public participation – Tony Tibbenham gave the chairman a copy of a letter he had sent to B.D.C. complaining about conduct of planning meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2004 in which he said that the Parish Council were swayed in their decision to support Kevin Francis' application for implement shed etc. on land adjoining 19, The Green, Freethorpe because of vote taken to gauge public opinion about the application. Councillors said that this did not influence their voting, as size of building had been reduced as they had asked and there was no other reason to object.

Chairman proposed that he looks into the matter with B.D.C., seconded by Andrew Garner. The letter had stated that people other than parishioners voted in support, but Kevin Francis pointed out that all those present were parishioners apart from one person who has had business interests in the parish for over 2 years.

Tony Tibbenham said that bank trimming has not been carried out satisfactorily – clerk to telephone Highways Dept. about this matter.

1. Minutes of Annual Parish Council meeting and planning meeting had been circulated and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - none apart from planning already dealt with.
3. Finance a cheque for NCATPC [£137.32] was signed for Ann. Subscription.
4. Planning there were no further applications.
5. A.O.B. Survey re public transport was filled in. Declaration of interests – new booklets were distributed to councillors, and forms completed for B.D.C. Janet Church reported on concern about under-age drinking at the Village Hall – this seems to be most prevalent at private functions when alcohol is brought in and given to youngsters. Village Hall bar staff comply strictly to regulations on serving of alcohol. Acle Police Inspector to be informed. Linda Turner expressed thanks to the Chairman for new sign on Playing Field. Michael Blake was congratulated on coming second at recent District council Election when his share of the votes was more than double previous result. He stated that the turnout was 40%.
6. Next Parish Council meeting to be held at the Village Hall on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2004 at 7.30p.m.

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26<sup>th</sup> June 04 [DATE]



Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held on Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> July  
2004-

at 7.30p.m. at Freethorpe Village Hall.

Apologies received from Andrew Garner, Linda Turner and P.C. Mark Askew.

Present: Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, Tree Warden [Joy Brock], Brian Iles [County and District Councillor], seven parishioners and the clerk.

First ten minutes for public participation – a parishioner said that overgrown hedge and branches are obscuring visibility on leaving Village Hall Car Park [towards Wickhampton] – Janet Church said she would speak to Playing Field helpers.

Also reported that sign at Sutton Crescent is in need of repairs. A parishioner expressed concern about verge-cutting, and although the clerk had reported this matter to N.C.C. Highways and received reply, situation is still not satisfactory – it seems that Halvergate Road is particularly bad. Plans for Tractor and Implement Store adj. 19, The Green, Freethorpe were placed on view. Request for a rubbish skip to be placed at Freethorpe Village Hall Car Park.

- 1 Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising – there had been concern about P.C. letter to Police re under-age drinking at Village Hall [private functions], but Janet Church reported that this matter had been settled satisfactorily.  
 B.D.C. had looked into procedure at planning meeting on 7.6.04 following an objection from Tony Tibbenham, and B.D.C. are satisfied that the only slight error made was over way in which P.C. vote on planning was taken, and in future this will be done by show of hands.
3. Planning – The Parish Council supported application by Kevin Francis for Tractor and Implement Store at 19, The Green, Freethorpe, but B.D.C. to be told that there is still objection from residents of Chapelfield and signed letter from them to be sent with reply.
4. Finance – councillors had received copies of year's financial transactions and these accounts were approved by the Council and signed by the chairman. Cheques to value of £150.00 each were authorized and signed for each of the three parish cemeteries.  
 Noted that materials for recycling had brought in total of £756.26 in previous year.
5. A.O.B. The clerk read a report from P.C. Mark Askew re crime figures since 17<sup>th</sup> May 2004.  
 John High had telephoned the clerk re need of repairs at Pump and Clock Area, and the Council agreed that he should be asked to give an estimate on work required and cost involved.

*Approved*  
*23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 04*



Linda Turner had sent list of items mentioned at recent Village Hall and Playing Field Committee meeting –

1. [already dealt with] overgrown hedge on School Road.
2. Need for sign re Children's Play Area

[Chairman will deal with this] and 3. Concern re land at bottom of The Loke which it is rumoured is to

be used for housing development – Chairman will speak to Linda, but he pointed out that this is not within area for development on new plan.

SPEED LIMIT of 30 m.p.h. to be extended further along Reedham Road.

Brian Iles gave his report in which he mentioned Planning changes and new legislation re Local Development Framework [local people have to be consulted]

Janet Church said that a ROSPA inspection had taken place on Play area and only a few minor adjustments are necessary.

Reported that two finger-posts are missing from Sign post on Blacksmith's Shop Corner.

Clerk reminded Chairman and Vice-chairman that Risk Assessment must be undertaken urgently.

NEXT MEETING – Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2004 at Freethorpe Village Hall at 7.30p.m.

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**Minutes of Meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council**  
**Held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2004 at 7.30p.m.**

Present- Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Andrew Garner, Paul Bacon, Brian Iles [County and District Councillor], P.C.Mark Askew, Tree Warden Joy Brock , 7 Parishioners and the clerk.

First ten minutes for public participation – Stephen Smith [on behalf of Freethorpe Football Club] thanked the Parish Council for donation of £1500.00 and reported on recent achievements which included award of a National Trophy. He said that a number of sponsors and money-raising events have helped provide funding, and that there has been attendance at various courses. Spontaneous applause shew appreciation of these achievements.

Mrs. Maclean of 35 Chapelfield spoke about flooding on Chapelfield during recent periods of heavy rainfall. Brian Iles said that emergency help is available [e.g. sandbags], and he also spoke about a plan for a drainage scheme to alleviate this problem. Clerk to write to N.C.C.Highways Dept.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising – John High had set out list of necessary repairs at Pump and Clock Tower, and estimated that cost would be £463.00. Council agreed to put this work in hand after the clerk had enquired from B.D.C. whether any conditions apply as this is a Grade 2 listed building.  
 It was noted that some verge cutting had been carried out since the last meeting. The Chairman said that the signs requested for Car Park at Village Hall have been ordered and should shortly be in place.
3. Planning – the council supported applications by Mr. & Mrs. Lynes for two storey extension at 92 The Common, Freethorpe, and for HAP Properties for House and Garage at Old Chapel Road, Freethorpe.  
 It was noted that there are boundary problems at the former “Rona” site at Wickhampton.
4. Finance – Cheque was signed for Gillian Brown for internal audit duties [£20.00].  
 The Council approved figures on annual audit form, and answered questions with regard to their responsibilities for financial matters etc. –form was signed by the chairman and the clerk ready for audit on 6<sup>th</sup> Sept.2004.
5. A.O.B. – P.C.Mark Askew reported that only 3 minor incidents had been reported to the police since end of June 2004, but he warned about daylight break-ins which had occurred in nearby villages and urged care with regard to open windows and insecure doors.  
 Outside bell at Aitchison’s Garage is causing disturbance during night hours, and chairman said he will speak about this to those in charge. Andrew Garner mentioned change of priority at Callow Pit corner, and Brian Iles



said he will look into this. There were no objections to request for change of name from Beighton to Beighton and Moulton St. Mary Parish Council. Chairman's name to be sent to NATLC for draw for attendance at Buckingham Palace Garden Party in 2005. Nick Spencer and Michael Blake expressed their willingness to attend the Annual Meeting with Parish and Town Councils at B.D.C. offices on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2004 -7 p.m.

Next meeting – at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2004 at 7.30p.m.

Signed

27 Sep 04

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Minutes of Planning Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Wednesday, 8th September 2004 at 7.30.p.m.

Present - Nick Spencer (presiding), David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, 2 Parishioners and the clerk.

The plans for 16 dwellings at Old Chapel Road, Freethorpe for N.R.POWELL Developments Ltd. were made available for inspection. Parish Councillors decided to support application, but were anxious that the green space as shown on plans is kept clear of any further development. They also wished to enquire who is responsible for upkeep of this area. The other concern is with regard to drainage because of existing flooding on Old Chapel Road during periods of heavy rainfall.

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N. Spencer

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**Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall**  
**On Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2004 at 7.30p.m.**

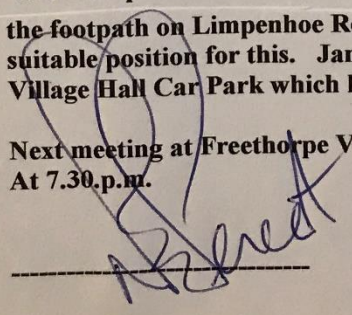
**Apologies received from Brian Iles and Mark Askew [Community Police officer]**

**Present – Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Linda Turner, Janet Church, Michael Blake, Andrew Garner, Paul Bacon, Tree Warden [Joy Brock], 4 Parishioners and the clerk.**

**First ten minutes for public participation – Ruth Bacon reported that the Dog Bin next to the Telephone Kiosk on The Green has been damaged – the Chairman said that he will arrange to have this repaired. It was noted that a post opposite the former Mace Shop at The Common had been across the path, but it has been removed.**

- 1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.**
- 2. Matters arising – a skip has been arranged for 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> October 2004 at the Village Hall for household refuse only.  
A reply had been received from Norfolk County Council Highways Dept. re flooding along Chapelfield. A drainage scheme will be put in the 2005/6 programme [funds permitting]. The Chairman will make further contact. Outside bell at Aitchison's Garage has been sounding up to 8.30.p.m., and it was decided that there should be continued monitoring .**
- 3. Finance – there were no financial transactions.**
- 4. Planning – An amendment re 16 dwellings at Old Chapel Rd. – no objections. Conservatory to rear of 36, The Green, Freethorpe [Janet & Richard Church] – Janet Church declared an interest and left hall- there were no objections to this development.  
Change of use from agricultural land to domestic curtilage at 104, The Common, Freethorpe for N.P.Spencer [who declared an interest, and left hall while matter was being discussed]. No objections, but P.C. wishes the development line to remain as at present.**
- 5. A.O.B. –Conservation walks – Ed Wharton had supplied a map, and the Chairman is to have a copy produced in order to have this on the notice board. P.C. had been asked to vote for member of Executive Committee for NATPC, but as little was known about either candidate, they decided to abstain. Shelroy Trust are asking for nominations for Christmas Hampers, and Parish Councillors were asked to bring names to next meeting. It was noted that various grants are available for village projects, and the Chairman said that he would enquire into types of projects which would be suitable. Chairman and Vice-chairman to meet to consider risk assessment on Parish Council owned property in Freethorpe & Wickhampton. Linda Turner asked about a Dog Bin near the entrance to the footpath on Limpenhoe Road – Linda and the Chairman to suggest a suitable position for this. Janet Church pointed out that the Can Bank at Village Hall Car Park which has been removed, is being replaced shortly.**

**Next meeting at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2004  
At 7.30.p.m.**

  
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25<sup>th</sup> Oct 2004



Present – Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Linda Turner, Janet Church, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, Tree Warden [Joy Brock], 3 Parishioners and the clerk.  
In attendance – Brian Iles [County and District Councillor], P.C. Mark Askew, and W.P.C. Jo Benningworth.

First ten minutes for public participation – no concerns expressed by parishioners. Brian Iles gave his report in which he spoke of his concern re serious flooding at Chapelfield, Freethorpe. He had spoken to David Balls about the problem, and had been told that an investigation should be on this year's work list in order to implement a scheme for improving drainage on Chapelfield and The Common.

Mr. Iles also spoke about recent publicity regarding Norfolk County Council's Pensions Scheme and controversy over amounts paid by the rate payers. He gave figures of amounts actually paid into the scheme – these being based on Government requirements, and gave figures of amount actually paid by rate-payers.

1. Apology had been received from Andrew Garner.
2. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
3. Mattes arising – No names were suggested for Christmas hampers from the Shelroy Trust – but clerk needs to know of nominations by 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. 2004. Risk Assessment had been carried out by David Lake and Nick Spencer, and a written report is being prepared. They have been asked by Janet Church to look at any risk from asbestos at the Village Hall. Nick Spencer will produce a map re siting of dog bin at Limpenhoe Road. The Chairman invited P.C. Askew to give his report at this point, and it was very brief as there had only been one minor theft in Freethorpe since his previous report in July 2004 [rabbit taken from hutch].
4. Planning – it was noted that application by Mr. & Mrs Lynes for extension had been refused on grounds of it being too large in comparison with existing dwelling.  
Application for minor changes to plans for 16 dwellings at Old Chapel Rd. by N.R. Powell Developments – no objections.  
Application by Mr. & Mrs. Burns, Westdene, Wickhampton for 1<sup>st</sup> floor extension and single storey sun lounge – P.C. had concerns about height of proposed dwelling in relation to adjoining properties, and a neighbour expressed concern about privacy and location of 1<sup>st</sup> floor windows.
5. Finance – cheque signed for £25.00 [CPRE annual subscription].  
P.C. voted on proposal by Michael Blake that donations to Norfolk Accident Rescue Service and Norwich Citizens' Advice Bureau be increased to £30.00 each, and this was carried, and cheques signed.  
Local charity [First Responders] will be considered in January 2005  
When precept is set for 2005/6.
6. A.O.B. – It was noted that Tree Planting week begins on 29<sup>th</sup> November.

National Blood Transfusion Service – mobile unit will be at Village Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2004.

The Chairman said that he has fixed the Dog Bin near Telephone Kiosk, and has also fixed 2 signs at Village Hall Car Park to safeguard children.

Next Parish Council meeting to be held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2004 at 7.30p.m. with first 10 minutes for public participation.

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Date

22 Nov 04



**Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council**  
**Held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2004 at**  
**7.30p.m.**

Apologies received from Brian Iles, Paul Bacon and P.C. Mark Askew.

Present – Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Michael Blake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Andrew Garner, Tree Warden [Joy Brock], P.C. Steve Patterson, 5 Parishioners and the clerk.

First ten minutes for public participation – great concern was expressed by parishioners following the recent serious accident at Blacksmith's Shop Corner involving children and parents returning home from the Hallowe'en Disco at the Village Hall. Speed of vehicles at this point calls for urgent action, and the call was made for speed humps to be installed. It was felt that these would be effective in stopping youngsters from "racing" with their cars late at night along this stretch of road, also the suggestion was made that barriers at the two entrances to the Village Hall Car Park might be helpful but the clerk pointed out that this matter must be dealt with by the Village Hall & Playing Field Management Committee. N.C.C. Highways Dept. and Norfolk Constabulary Traffic Dept. to be asked about the possibility of installing speed humps.

A question was asked with regard to Planning application for "Westdene", Wickhampton, but the clerk had no further information from B.D.C., but a letter had been received from Alan Bray and this was read to the meeting.

1. Minutes had been circulated and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising – Brian Iles had been informed that the Chapelfield flooding problem will be in the work plan for early 2005. Linda Turner had looked at site for dog bin at Limpenhoe Road, and the clerk will send a plan to B.D.C.
3. Finance – Cheque was signed for Royal British Legion [Poppy Wreath] £18.75, and the clerk reported that audit had been completed. Report was made available for councillors to examine, and end of audit will be advertised on P.C. notice board as required by regulations. The clerk was authorised to write a cheque for payment of audit fees on receipt of invoice.
4. Planning – The Parish Council supported application by Mr. & Mrs. Meale for replacement windows at "Lyndale", 73 The Green, Freethorpe [listed building]
5. A.O.B. – Mr. Peter Mayes had raised the issue of the fact that Eastern Electricity is planning to remove electricity pylon from site of new development at Limphoe Road, and replace it at the rear of his home – "East View", The Common, Freethorpe. B.D.C. have said that this is not a planning matter, and must be argued with Eastern Electricity Board, but the Parish Council asked the clerk to write to the developers [N.R. Powell Developers] to request a more sympathetic route for electricity at this site.

NEXT MEETING – Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2005 7.30p.m. at Village Hall  
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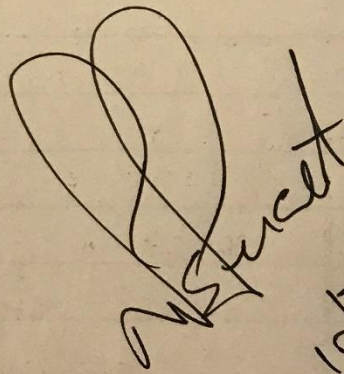
Minutes of Planning meeting held at Freethorpe Methodist Church Hall on Wednesday, 29th December 2004 at 7.30.p.m.,.

Present - Nick Spencer (presiding), Linda Turner, Janet Church and Paul Bacon.

Meeting had been called to look at Planning Application made by Mr. & Mrs. Lynes, 92 The Common, Freethorpe for two storey rear extension and attached single garage. This was supported.

Reply from N.R.Powell (Developers) was read and contents noted.

Cheque was signed for Audit Commission - £58.75

  
10 JAN 2005



Minutes of Parish Council meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall  
On Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> January 2005 at 7.30p.m.

Apologies received from Brian Iles and P.C. Mark Askew.

Present – Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Andrew Garner, Paul Bacon, Tree Warden Joy Brock, 3 parishioners and the clerk.

First ten minutes for public participation – Ruth Bacon asked about possibility of having a Freethorpe sign on Halvergate Road.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising – replies from N.C.C. and Norfolk Constabulary regarding requests for traffic calming aids at Blacksmith's Shop Corner, speed monitoring etc. stated that they do not consider this to be a high priority. Parish Council to make sure that any further incidents are reported.
3. Planning – application by Mr. & Mrs. C. Beck, 8 Chapelfield, Freethorpe for rear single storey extension was supported by the council. Form was completed to re-state that P.C. does not wish street lighting to be installed at new development at Old Chapel Road. If lighting is installed, then it must be the responsibility of Norfolk County Council.
4. Finance – The Budget for 2005 – 6 was discussed at length, and copy of agreed figures is attached. Proposed Michael Blake, Seconded Andrew Garner that precept be set at £5,000.00 – all in favour.
5. A.O.B. various dates re meetings for councillors, Norfolk Matters and other leaflets were distributed including news of grants available.

Date of next meeting MONDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2005 7.30.p.m.  
At Freethorpe Village Hall  
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7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2005



# FREETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Budget agreed for 2005/6

Grants to cemeteries [3] @ £200 each £600.00

Insurance	approximately	700.00
NCATPC ann. Sub	"	160.00
Clerk's salary		700.00
" expenses approx.		20.00
Accident Rescue donation		35.00
Citizens Advice bureau donation		35.00
CPRE ann. Sub.		25.00
Internal audit		20.00
External audit fees approx.		60.00
Royal British Legion wreath approx.		19.00
Freethorpe Village Hall and hire chgs.		750.00
Painting village pump and clock approx.		400.00
Sundries		100.00
Grant to Freethorpe Football Club		2000.00
Grant to First Responders		500.00

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£6.124.00  
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Precept set at £5,000.00

Remainder from amount carried forward in hand.

Figure of £2480.81 is available after payments have been

Made to Village Hall, Children's Play area and holding

Further £500 for Football Club on 2004/5 promised grant.

*Precept*  
*70 Feb 2005.*



Minutes of Meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 7th February 2005 at 7.30.p.m.

Apologies: P.C.Mark Askew, Mr. Brian Iles.

Present: Nick Spencer (presiding), David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Andrew Garner, Paul Bacon, Tree Warden (Joy Brock), 3 parishioners and the clerk.

During the first 10 minutes reserved for public participation the clerk reported that N.C.C. are willing to supply Freethorpe sign on Halvergate Road at cost of £197.00 - Nick Spencer to look at other possibilities at less cost, and will contact N.C.C. Noted that B.D.C. will shortly be delivering Dog Bin to be placed at Old Chapel Road, also need for repair to stake holding Dog Bin near Electricity Sub-station on Chapelfield.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. No matters arising.
3. Planning - P.C. supported the following - application by Trudy James for demolition of present single storey extension, and replacement two-storey extension and conservatory, conservatory for Mr. & Mrs. Tinsey, 49 Chapelfield, Freethorpe and extension for Mr. & Mrs. Taylor, 2, Cater's Close, Freethorpe.
4. Finance - it was decided not to respond to East Anglian Air Ambulance appeal.
5. A.O.B. - Gt. Yarmouth Development Framework (N.Spencer will look at details on Web site and reply.  
Tree Warden, Joy Brock, requested that another tree warden be appointed to serve with her (someone who is keen on preserving & planting trees in the Parish, and willing to attend B.D.C. meetings on this subject).  
Football Club is grateful for promised grant from P.C. - Stephen Smith to give presentation at Annual Parish Meeting.  
Norfolk Rural Community Council had sent literature re Community Chest Fund - it was thought there might be projects which could benefit. David Lake requested dipping of floodlights at Playing Field. It was noted that criminal damage at Village Hall had been reported to the Police. *Further flooding near Cherry Tree Cottage to be reported to N.C.C.*

Next meeting Monday, 14th March 2005  
Freethorpe Village Hall at 7.30.p.m.  
First 10 minutes reserved for public participation.

signed

date

*N. Spencer*  
14th March 05



Minutes of Meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held at  
Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2005 at 7.30p.m.

Apology received from Michael Blake.

Present – Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Andrew Garner, Paul Bacon, Joy Brock [Tree Warden], Brian Iles [County and District Councillor], 3 parishioners and the clerk.

During first ten minutes reserved for public participation, no matters were raised so time was used for reports.

Brian Iles reported on N.C.C. Drainage Scheme for The Common and Chapelfield which will be in two phases, and it is expected that work will soon begin. Mr. Iles advised P.C. to obtain from B.D.C. surveys re Affordable housing for local needs in order to ascertain demand for low cost accommodation in Freethorpe.

P.C. Mark Askew reported that since 7<sup>th</sup> February 2005, there had only been three crimes committed in this parish, one of domestic assault, one of taking vehicle without owner's consent and one of criminal damage to house on Old Chapel Road, Freethorpe. It was noted that extra Police presence should be seen in the parish from the end of April 2005.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising – Chairman had obtained price from suppliers of road sign for Halvergate Road, and had been quoted £77.50 – he will enquire from N.C.C. whether they would allow this to be sited on verge owned by them.  
Clerk had received copy of letter sent by Mr. Craig Emery to B.D.C. re application supported by P.C. at last meeting for conservatory at 49, Chapelfield for Mr. & Mrs. Tinsey.  
Andrew Garner had spoken to Stephen Smith about David Lake's complaint re floodlights at Playing Field, and Stephen will meet David at Wickhampton so that the matter can be dealt with satisfactorily.  
Clerk had reported flooding at The Common and Chapelfield, and David Balls had called while making background enquiries in preparation for Drainage Scheme mentioned by Mr. Iles in his report.
3. PLANNING – clerk had been notified that full approval had been given to applications by Trudy James, Mr. & Mrs. C. Beck and Mr. & Mrs. Taylor. Application by Derek Bale and Christine Homes for erection of garage at Cherry Tree Cottage, 90 The Common, Freethorpe was supported by P.C.
4. FINANCE – cheques were signed for Freethorpe Village Hall & Playing Field Committee for £2000.00 for Play Area equipment and £660 donation and hire of hall for meetings. Letter from Margaret Woodgate on behalf of Wickhampton Recreation Area Committee asked for help from P.C. to meet payment of insurance etc – prop. N. Spencer, sec. L. Turner, that P.C. pays the sum of £157.88 as requested. All in favour. Noted that such requests should be received by January meeting in order to budget for year.



5. A parishioner had requested that a large skip for household refuse be sited at Village Hall for a week-end – clerk to enquire about this from B.D.C.  
Chairman agreed to attend Association Area Meeting at Thorpe Lodge on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005 - subject is Affordable Housing.  
Councillors were given up-dates of Code for Councillors [5 copies only]  
Nick Spencer is dealing with Local Transport Questionnaire. Various books and leaflets were distributed.
6. Annual Parish Council meeting - 18<sup>th</sup> April 2005 at 7.30.p.m., to be followed at 8 p.m. by Annual Parish Meeting. Clerk to contact Ms. R. Quick, Mrs. Freda Pipes and Stephen Smith about giving reports, also to be included report from Janet Church [V.Hall & Playing Field Committee] and Chairman's report for 2004/5.

Signed

N. Spencer

date 18<sup>th</sup> April 2005