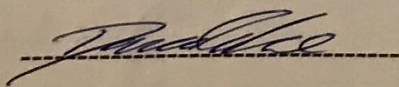


FREETHORPE PARISH COUNCIL
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Minutes of Annual Meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council
Held at Monday, 14th April 2008 at 7.45.p.m. at Freethorpe Village Hall.

Present - Nick Spencer, David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Paul Bacon, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, six parishioners and the clerk.

1. The clerk asked for nominations for Chairperson for coming year.
Prop. Paul Bacon, Sec. Brian Carr that Nick Spencer be re-elected.
All in favour.
The Chairman then asked for nominations for Vice-Chairman
Prop. N. Spencer, Sec. M. Blake that David Lake be re-elected.
All in favour.
Clerk - Prop. Janet Church, Sec. David Lake that Edith Moll be re-appointed - all in favour.
2. Minutes of previous meeting had been circulated, and were signed as a correct record.
Matters arising - Affordable housing - Hazel Ellard had met with Parish councillors on Wed. 9th April 2008, and a letter from her confirmed that only suitable site available is at Lower Green.
Cox and Son, Gt. Yarmouth have quoted a price of £295 [inc. VAT] for repairs to Village Clock - accepted as being very reasonable.
Royall European had responded to clerk's letter, and had explained position with regard to use of Market Gates bus stop etc.
B.D.C. are unable to provide dog bins for use on privately owned land, but sent notices which were taken to display near foot-paths.
3. Finance - payments for insurance etc. to be made at next meeting.
4. Planning - Application by Mr. & MRS. K.Grint for rear two storey extension at 47 The Green, Freethorpe was supported.
Two letters of objection had been received with regard to Application by Mr. & MRS. J. High for outline permission for Cottage style dwelling to be sited on garden of 118, The Common, Freethorpe - Parish councillors felt that site is too small for Proposed building, and that it is out of keeping with the Vade-Walpole cottage next door.
5. A.O.B. David Lake reported that a finger post is missing at end of School Road - clerk to report.
Decided to enquire from B.D.C. whether Bottle Banks could be emptied at more frequent intervals.
Next meeting - Monday, 12th May 2008 - 7.45.p.m. with first 10 Minutes reserved for public participation.

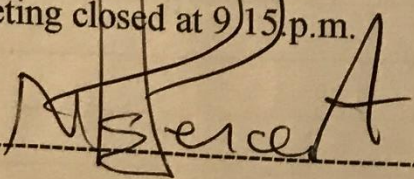


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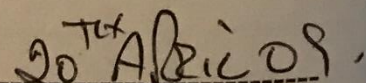
Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall
On Monday, 14th April 2008 at 8.15.p.m.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], 6 Parish Councillors, 15 parishioners and the clerk, Community Police Officer Jon Morgan-Jones, Councillor Brian Iles.

1. Minutes of last Parish Meeting were read and signed as a correct record.
2. No matters arising.
3. Reports were given by - Rachel Quick [Freethorpe School], Stephen Smith [Football Club]. Christine Homes [First Responders], Freda Pipes [Walpole Almshouse Charity], Jon Morgan-Jones [Norfolk Constabulary], Brian Carr [Freethorpe Village Hall and Playing Field Committee]. Brian Iles [Norfolk County and Broadland District Councils], Nick Spencer [Parish Council]
4. A.O.B. - Roger Pipes asked about Parish Council's position re Unitary bid by Norwich City Council - the Chairman stated that the Parish Council supported the Status Quo, not wishing to be placed under the jurisdiction of Norwich City or Gt. Yarmouth Town Councils. Parishioner living at 128 The Common, Freethorpe raised matter of water standing on the roads following extensive drainage works. Photos were produced of large puddles near 128 The Common, and reference was made to same problem near 39 Chapelfield, Freethorpe. To be reproted again to Highways Dept.
Meeting closed at 9.15.p.m.



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20th April 08.

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall
On Monday, 12th May 2008 at 7.45.p.m.

Apologies received from Nick Spencer and Community Police Officer Jon Morgan-Jones.

Present - David Lake [presiding], Janet Church, Linda Turner, Paul Bacon, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, Councillor Brian Iles, seven parishioners and the clerk.

First 10 minutes reserved for public participation - a parishioner queried position with regard to Affordable Housing, and the chairman explained that we have received no further communication since information re Lower Green being only site available. Clerk to write to Hazel Ellard for update.

Councillor Brian Iles gave his report - Joint Core Strategy document has been drafted and Parish Councils will be receiving copies. Recent press report re Police manipulating figures - no grounds for worry over this as careful monitoring takes place and computerized system makes police records easier to read.

Low cost housing - matter has gone through appropriate channels and original site has been selected.

Police report - copies distributed to Parish councillors. Only one crime reported since last meeting - that of attempted theft of motor vehicle at The Common, Freethorpe.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - B.D.C. had advised that bottle banks can be reported as needing emptying when 80% full. Noted that all bottle banks need emptying and had been reported 10 days ago by the groundsman - clerk to ring as urgent. Noted that Royall European bus service is not functioning well - clerk to write to N.C.C. Planning and Transportation stating disappointment at service provided.
3. Planning - noted that Dr. and Mrs. Edelsten have full approval for single storey extension, and that matter of reservoir to fishing lake at Lower Green has been closed.
4. Finance - cheques paid to Allianz Insurance £779.32, NCAPTC £157.90 and Mrs. E.A.Moll £743.18 [salary 720.00 plus expenses £23.18]. Brian Carr queried use of Allianz Insurance and clerk advised that matter be discussed again at January meeting 2009 when budget for year is decided.
5. A.O.B. Janet Church had received complaints from parishioners re untidy state of Pond Barn, The Green, Freethorpe. Letter to be sent to Mr. S.Kennedy-Smith. Proposed Janet Church that Village Clock and Pump area should be cleaned up, fence repaired and pump handle replaced. Decided to ask Alec Brown to carry this out - if he is not able to do so, then Mr. Ray Smith of Reedham to be asked. All in favour.

Parishioner mentioned derelict cottages next to All Saints' Church, and Janet Church reported that a modification to former planning application should be received shortly.

No nominations for Broadland Green Awards scheme, but Janet Church mentioned that All Saints' Churchyard is to be included in conservation scheme.

Annual Town and Parish Council annual meeting - 16th July 2008.

Question asked re notice boards - David Lake reported that a new one will be needed for Wickhampton, and the Chairman is to look at the one in Freethorpe.

Clerk was asked to write to Highways Dept. re: grass cutting at road junctions - especially necessary at Calow & Pt. Corner, Southwold.

Various booklets were distributed and meeting dates were given.

Request re Village Fee on June 29th 2008 when the Parish Council have been asked to provide for a cake stall and someone will be needed to man this.

Date of next meeting - Monday, 16th June 2008 at 7.45 pm. when the first 10 minutes will be reserved for public participation.

Signed

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16th June 2008

Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held on Monday, 16th
June 2008 at Freethorpe Village Hall at 7.45.p.m.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Linda Turner, Paul Bacon, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, Councillor Brian Iles, 6 parishioners and the clerk.
Apology received from Janet Church and Jon Morgan-Jones.

First 10 minutes reserved for public participation - the owner of 'Highfield', Lower Green, Freethorpe, asked for update of Affordable Housing, and Nick Spencer reported on recent meeting with Hazel Ellard when councillors were given an explanation with regard to Lower Green site being only suitable option.

Brian Iles gave his report in which he said that Boundary Commission are coming near to announcing final decision with regard to Unitary status for Norwich City Council. B.D.C. will be pressing for status quo to be maintained.

Mr. Iles said that he is pleased that everyone has had a chance to have a say with regard to Affordable Housing.

Police report was read by the Chairman - only two very minor crimes reported since last meeting.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - No reply received from Steve Kennedy-Smith, so Chairman is to contact B.D.C. to ascertain what action is possible.

Chairman read reply from N.C.C. re complaints about bus service to Gt. Yarmouth.

Any cakes for Village Fete on 29th June 2008 to be handed in at kitchen.

Notice board - David Lake to see Owen Woodgate, who it is believed is making a new board for Wickhampton and has suggested a new siting for this.

3. Planning - councillors supported application by Dr. N. Ireland for change of use of former barn to storage unit for air conditioning.

Noted that K. Grint has received full approval for work at 47 The Green, Freethorpe and Mr. and Mrs. J. High have received outline approval for dwelling in garden of 118 The Common, Freethorpe.

4. Finance - cheque paid to Alec H. Brown -£55.00 for repairs etc. at Village Clock and Pump area. VAT repayment received - £21.00

5. A.O.B. Yarmouth Mercury report to include note about dogs fouling footpaths through the village.

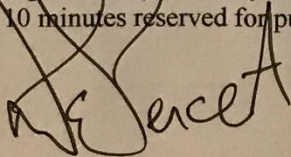
Parish Council decided to ask John High to deal with work needed on Wickhampton Village Sign.

Highways - pot holes on Low Road and Church Road at Wickhampton to be reported, also Lower Green road sign needs attention.

Councillors wishing to attend Annual Parish Councils event on 18th July 2008 at Ramada Hotel, Norwich to contact Nick Spencer as soon as possible.

Next meeting - Monday, 14th July 2008 7.45.p.m. Freethorpe Village Hall
With first 10 minutes reserved for public participation.

Signed



date 16th June 08.

Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 14th July 2008 at 7.45.p.m.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Paul Bacon, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, eleven parishioners and the clerk.

Apology received from Mr. Brian Iles.

No matters were raised during the first 10 minutes reserved for public participation.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising - no further information re Pond Barn. David Lake reported that Owen Woodgate has kindly made a new Notice Board for Wickhampton, and will place this in position when other board is no longer available. Clerk to thank Owen for his help in this matter.

Clerk had contacted John High who has said that both Freethorpe and Wickhampton Village Signs are in need of renovation which he is willing to undertake. He has informed David Lake that the work on Wickhampton sign is likely to cost about £300.00. Noted that Highways Dept. have not yet carried out work on pot holes at Wickhampton or B.D.C. on Lower Green road sign. Clerk was asked to report pot holes along The Common [near No. 97]

3. Planning - no further applications or information.

4. Finance - cheques signed for Gillian Brown £20.00[internal auditor's fee] And £260.00 each for cemeteries at Methodist Church, All Saints' Parish Church, and St. Andrew's Church, Wickhampton. The Parish Council were given copies of accounts for year ending 31st March 2008, and these were approved and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer on their behalf. Audit form completed Internal audit had been carried out by Gillian Brown.

5. A.O.B. Noted that there has been an improvement in Bus service since new firm has taken over. Clerk had received leaflets re Wickhampton Recreation Area [copies had been delivered to all residents at Wickhampton]. Noted that grass has been cut. Decided that no grit bin is needed for the parish. Clerk asked that the grounds man responsible will report bottle banks for emptying when 75% full to the Broadland District Council telephone number rather than the contractors. No further information on Village Clock repairs.

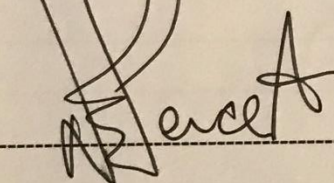
Question raised by parishioner re planning decision with regard to application for dwelling next to 118, The Common, Freethorpe. Clerk to enquire from Planning Dept. whether there will be any further opportunity for objections to be raised by Parish Council, and meantime the parishioner was advised to seek help from Brian Iles. Clerk to speak to Brian Iles about state of The Common and Chapelfield since drainage works, also letter to Highways re deep ditch just outside Parish at Top Common, Freethorpe.

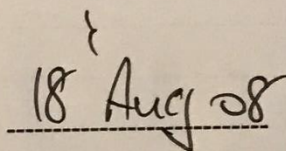
John High had offered to David Lake that he is willing to come to a Parish Council meeting to explain work being carried out on new Conference Centre at Hall Farm, Southwood. Councillors are keen to accept his offer, but clerk advised that it might be advisable to contact Cantley Parish Council to ascertain whether they would have any problems over this. If they agree, John will be invited to come.

Janet Church mentioned that Community Service workers had been employed at the Parish Church, and suggested that it might be good to use them for work at the Village Pump and Clock area [perhaps twice a year] - information to be passed on to the clerk.

Brian Carr referred to recent closure of the Rampant Horse Public House - regret was expressed that after many years there is now no pub in the parish. It is hoped that a new licensee will be appointed.

Next meeting - Monday, 18th August 2008 at 7.45.p.m. at Freethorpe Village Hall.





Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Freethorpe Village Hall

On Monday, 18th August 2008 at 7.45.p.m.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], Linda Turner, Paul Bacon, Brian Carr, Anna Key and John High, 6 parishioners and the clerk.

Apologies received from David Lake, C.S.P.C. Jon Morgan Jones and Councillor Brian Iles.

The Chairman welcomed Anna Key and John High who had come to show plans for the development at Hall Farm, Southwood for a Conference Centre/Wedding and Party Venue. Leaflets were distributed which explained about the project. Anna gave a presentation about the development - project had started in 2005 and is expected to be completed by 2010. It is envisaged that activities will include farm visits for children from local schools and will in general be an asset to the community by employment of local labour etc. Anna and John were thanked by the Chairman.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a correct record.
2. Matters arising - information had been received from B.D.C. following the clerk's request re development next to 118 The Common, Freethorpe. The Chairman will contact Cox & Son re repairs being carried out to Village Clock.
3. Planning - councillors supported applications by Mr. R. Jermy for conservatory at 103 The Green, Freethorpe, and Mr. & Mrs. Segon for conservatory at 2, Young Crescent Freethorpe.
4. Finance - no transactions.
5. A.O.B. Brian Carr asked about time scale for Affordable Housing - Clerk to talk to Brian Iles about this, also to write to Norfolk Rural Community Council to ask about progress.

Wherry Housing matters - Brian Carr suggested that an enquiry be made about future plans for two empty houses at Palmer's Lane, and also about drop down kerb at 57 The Green, Freethorpe.

Yarmouth Mercury report to include date for Hazardous Waste disposal. No further news re Pub closure, but chairman will enquire about ownership.

Police reports for July and August 2008 were distributed to councillors. Clerk to enquire from B.D.C about house numbering at Palmer's Lane.

Next meeting - Monday, 15th September 2008 at Freethorpe Village Hall At 7.45.p.m.

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Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held on Monday, 15th
September 2008 - Freethorpe Village Hall at 7.45.p.m.

Apology received from C.P.C. Jon Morgan-Jones.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Linda Turner, Janet Church, Paul Bacon, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, County and District Councillor Brian Iles, 6 parishioners and the clerk.

First 10 minutes for public participation - Margaret Woodgate asked questions about repairs to Wickhampton Village Sign as she had not been informed that the Parish Council had asked John High to carry out the work. Chairman explained that parish council had ordered work and are willing to pay all costs. Margaret Woodgate gave an update on the Wickhampton Play Area - fund raising is going ahead, and Wherry Housing will be calling a meeting. Parish Council will be kept informed. Ruth Bacon mentioned road sign near Ash Tree Farm, Moulton St. Mary which is needing repairs, and Wickhampton parishioners said that sign at end of School Road has parts missing. Noted that the Victorian Post Box at Wickhampton has been re-sited.

Councillor Brian Iles gave an update on Affordable Housing - he had contacted Hazel Ellard and had been informed that everything is going ahead as planned, price has been agreed on chosen site and planning etc. will go ahead. Councillor Iles also reported on situation with regard to Unitary Status situation. N.C.C. have agreed to back the scheme for one unitary for Norfolk but not to include Lowestoft, although they feel that the status quo should have been included as an option. However, the Police Authority want one unitary plus Lowestoft. Broadland District Council meet during this week to discuss their decision.

1. Minutes had been circulated and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - Cox & Son have told the Chairman that the village clock is being regulated and should be working in 2/3 weeks.

Wherry Housing had replied to clerk's letter re dropped pavement outside 57 The Green, Freethorpe - apparently the occupier must apply.

B.D.C. had sent list of correct house numbers for Palmer's Lane.

3. No planning matters.

4. Finance - Parish Council had been asked by B.T. whether they wished to adopt or sponsor red telephone box at Wickhampton. Parish Councillors voted 6 to 1 against keeping the box, and the clerk is to ask B.T. to make good verge etc. when box is removed.

Letter had been received from Freethorpe Methodist Church asking for Parish Councillors to consider making a grant towards re-wiring etc. in order to comply with new regulations. Paul Bacon to present figures etc.

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Police reports distributed to all councillors shew that there had been no recorded crimes in the parish since the last meeting. Brian Carr reported that there had been an attempted break-in at the Village Hall the previous week-end.

Broads Authority to be informed that we have no Parish Tree Warden at present.

Janet Church said that ROSPA report has pointed to work being needed on the Playing Field.

Next meeting to be held on Monday, 20th October 2008 at 7.45.p.m. at Freethorpe Village Hall, with first 10 minutes for public participation.

Signed N. J. Stern

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Minutes of Meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held at Freethorpe Village Hall on
Monday, 20th October 2008 at 7.45.p.m.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Linda Turner, Janet Church, Paul Bacon, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, Councillor Brian Iles, 2 parishioners and the clerk. Apology received from Community Police Officer Jon Morgan-Jones.

First 10 minutes reserved for public participation - no matters raised by parishioners. Brian Iles gave his report re Norfolk County Council and Broadland District Council matters. N.C.C. had investments of £32.5 millions in Icelandic Banks including two investments almost due for repayment [doubts about repayments]. It seems likely that Unitary question will be shelved in the present financial climate, and that status quo may continue. Mr. Iles had made enquiries with regard to drainage problems on Chapelfield, Freethorpe, and has been told that drains may be cleared out, but no other work seems likely.

Mr. Iles had no further information re Affordable Housing, but the clerk had received letter from Norfolk Community Council which mentioned a snag with regard to width of footpath required. Parish Council asked clerk to reply [copy to Hazel Ellard at B.D.C.] to effect that it would seem prudent to continue footpath on West side of Lower Green in order to solve this problem.

Chairman read Police report - only reported crime was attempted burglary at Village Hall.

Chairman [as a School Governor for Freethorpe School] informed meeting that the school has received a good report from OFSTED - clerk to congratulate Head Teacher.

1. Minutes had been circulated and were signed as a correct record.
2. Matters arising - Village Clock to be re-fitted on 1st November 2008.
Wickhampton residents to deal with matter of cover for Village Sign after John High had contacted the clerk.
Paul Bacon distributed figures re Electrical wiring at Methodist Church, Freethorpe following request for grant towards work to comply with present regulations. Proposed Janet Church, Sec. Brian Carr that a grant of £1,000 be made towards this project. All in favour.
3. Planning - Councillors supported applications by David Grint for 2 storey Extension and conservatory at 6 Walpole Way, Freethorpe, and for Freethorpe Village Hall signs and storage building.
Janet Church will look into outstanding enforcement details re Village Hall.
4. Finance - cheques signed for Freethorpe Methodist Church Council £1,000, C.P.R.E. £28.00 [Annual subscription] and R.B.L. Poppy Appeal £18.75
5. A.O.B. - Shelroy Trust has again offered Christmas hampers for needy people in the parish. No names submitted.
Chairman reported on a meeting held on 14th October 2008 at Freethorpe School regarding concern about young people from this parish who are involved in anti-social behaviour in surrounding area.
Clerk was asked to write to Ambassador Travel re problems with bus service to Gt. Yarmouth [no buses on Friday, 17th October 2008]

Next meeting - Monday, 17th November 2008 at 7.45.p.m. [first 10 mins. For public participation. Provisional date for December meeting - 15th.

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17th Nov 08*

Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held on Monday, 17th
November 2008 at Freethorpe Village Hall at 7.45.p.m.
Apologies received from Brian Iles and David Lake.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], Janet Church, Linda Turner, Paul Bacon, Brian Carr, four parishioners and the clerk.

No matters were raised in the first 10 minutes for public participation.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a correct record.
2. Matters arising - letter of thanks received from Freethorpe Methodist Church for recent grant towards electrical wiring etc.. Letter received from Ambassador Travel promised better service following recent problems.. Village Clock has been replaced twice, but in both instances has stopped after a short time. Cox sending their man out on 18th November for further investigations. Janet Church reported that wooden ladder used for winding clock etc. is unsafe, and she will make enquiries with neighbour who has promised to wind clock in future whether he has a suitable metal ladder or if Parish Council should purchase one - Chairman thought this should be looked at carefully with regard to health and safety.

B.D.C. had informed clerk that planning problem regarding Village Hall has been sorted out.

3. Planning - applications supported [majority] with regard to extension of existing garage at Old School House, The Green, Freethorpe [Mr. P. Lovell] and single storey building extension at Freethorpe School.

B.D.C. planning updates were noted.

4. Finance - cheque signed for Audit fees [Mazars] £141.00 [incl. VAT] Audit has been completed and necessary information will be placed on notice boards.

5. A.O.B. Village Hall Committee had received a request that P.C. meetings should begin at 8 p.m. instead of 7.45p.m., but councillors will make decision on this when new pavilion etc. are complete and when future venue for P.C. meeting is decided.

Noted that No. 1 Council House on Palmer's Lane is for sale by Wherry Housing.

Clerk was asked to report pot holes on The Common from Greentiles to Top Common, also to mention again about water on road after heavy rainfall - especially near 128 The Common, and 39 Chapelfield, Freethorpe.

Question was asked about further information regarding plans for house next 118 The Common [nothing further has been received]

Skips to be ordered for weekends of April 18/19 and September 12/13 2009.

Letter of congratulations to be sent to Freethorpe Sports and Social Club [via Denise Goodwin] on raising funds to provide new children's play equipment.

Next meeting - Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 15th December 2008 - 7.45.p.m. with the first 10 minutes reserved for public participation.

N Spencer
15th Dec 2008

Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held on Monday, 15th December
2008 at Freethorpe Village Hall at 7.45.p.m.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Paul Bacon, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, 4 parishioners and the clerk.

Apology on clerk's answer phone from Brian Iles who was attending Acle Parish Council meeting.

First 10 minutes reserved for public participation - Ruth Bacon reported discrepancy in mileage details on sign post at Blacksmith's Shop Corner [to be reported]
David Lake raised matter with regard to changes in Postwick Park and ride charges - in New Year it seems that passengers in cars will be charged on buses as well as charge for parking vehicles. [clerk to mention this to Brian Iles together with enquiry re dates for progress on Affordable Housing - Brian Carr expressed concern about delays]

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - village clock is still at Cox & Son in Gt. Yarmouth.
Bus service to Yarmouth has improved with former pick-up points back.
Problem over shed at Village Hall - expected that new application will be made.
Linda Turner asked about information re proposed dwelling next 118 The Common, but nothing has been received.
Highways Dept. are dealing with pot-holes on The Common, and the clerk was informed that problem with water near 39 Chapelfield will be dealt with at some future date, and that inspector will look at situation near 128 The Common during wet weather [more photographs requested]
Clerk to ring Stephen Smith re Community Website.
3. Finance - clerk had received payment of £490.22 from B.D.C. for glass
And £74.09 from N.C.C. for paper for recycling.
4. Planning - Application by Matthew Smith for Stockhouse into dwelling etc. was supported by the Parish Councillors.
5. A.O.B. Brian Carr mentioned several points with regard to B.D.C.
Expenditure as listed in Broadland News, also queried possibility of the Parish Council taking over running of Village Hall [would very much affect the amount of precept for coming year]. It was pointed out that the constitution of the Village Hall is that the Parish Council are nominal owners and that the Management is to be by a committee of representatives from various organisations in the parish. Janet Church suggested that precept should include Provision for weeding, tidying etc. at Village Pump and Clock area. Peggy Watson spoke in favour of making sure that this area is a village asset.
The Chairman asked the clerk to send finance details to the councillors with the minutes in order to help with budget for 2009-10
Note to be sent to Community Police Officer requesting that if he is unable to attend meetings, it would be helpful to have a report.

NEXT MEETING - MONDAY, 19th JANUARY 2009 at 7.45 p.m.

With first 10 minutes reserved for public participation.

N Spencer
19 JAN 2009

Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held at Freethorpe Village Hall on Monday, 19th January 2009 at 7.4.5p.m.

Apology received from Brian Carr.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Linda Turner, Janet Church, Paul Bacon, Michael Blake, Councillor Brian Iles, Community Police Officer Jon Morgan Jones, 4 parishioners and the clerk.

No matters were raised by parishioners during the first 10 minutes for public participation.

Police report by Jon Morgan Jones stated that no crimes had been reported in the parish since the last P.C.meeting. A mobile Police Van had been sited at the Village Hall on Saturday, 17th January 2009, and much interest had been shown and police had talked with young people about recent reports of noise, under-age drinking etc. at the Village Hall. It seemed that culprits were from other villages e.g.Lingwood and Brundall where youths had been moved on and were causing trouble elsewhere. It is hoped that stepping up police patrols will help solve this problem.

Brian Iles gave his report, first of all answering requests from last P.C.meeting - 1. re Affordable Housing - request about additional parking facilities had been rejected. No further information re time scale or P.C. suggestion that foot-path be sited on opposite side of road as a continuation from Parish Church path.

2. Mr. Iles was not aware of suggestion that passengers in cars parked at Postwick Park and Ride might be charged on the buses - he said that as far as he knows no definite decision has been made about this.

He went on to inform councillors that decision on Unitary will be made known in February, and that budget for B.D.C. is likely to show increase of 2 to 3%.

He spoke about large expense with regard to 12 children in Norfolk who need 24 hrs. a day supervision.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
2. Matters arising - no further information had been received about correction of mileage on sign-post at Blacksmith's Shop Corner or dwelling next 118 The Common, Freethorpe. Stephen Smith had supplied the clerk with details of Web Site.

3. Finance - councillors had been given details of money in hand etc., and it was decided to make payments at next meeting of £800.00 to Village Hall for hire and donation plus a payment of £1000.00 towards installation of Toilet for Disabled . Also donation to Freethorpe First Responders of £85.00 and to Accident Rescue Service of £35.00. Request from Samantha Barnes for grant towards new Arts and Dance Club at Wickhampton - councillors voted to send £50 when club is up and running. Noted that invoice is expected from Cox and Son for Village Clock repairs and for repairs to Village Sign at Wickhampton and later at Freethorpe. David Lake reported that with regard to Wickhampton Play Area, a village meeting had been well attended and it looks as though progress is being made. It was decided that a grant of £200 should be made available when appropriate. Budget was set for 2009/10 [copy attached] -proposed Nick Spencer, sec. Michael

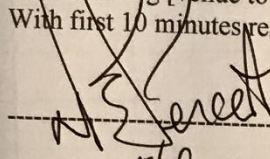
Blake that the precept figure should be £6,450.00. All in favour.
Prop. Janet Church, Sec. Nick Spencer that cemeteries' grant should be raised to £350.00
each. All in favour. Prop. Michael Blake, Sec. Nick Spencer that clerk's salary be raised to
£750.00 all in favour.

4. No planning applications had been received.

Noted that extension to garage at Old School House had been approved.

5. A.O.B. - The chairman will attend B.D.C. Planning meeting on 2nd March 2009.
Booklets etc. were distributed. No further business.

Next Meeting [venue to be decided later] Monday, 16th February 2009 at 7.45.p.m.
With first 10 minutes reserved for public participation.


[signed]

Date

16th Feb 2009

Budget Figures agreed for 2009/10

At P.C.Meeting on 19th January 2009.

			£
NAPTC	Annual sub.	Approx.	220.00
Insurance			850.00
Clerk's salary			750.00
Expenses [postage stamps]			35.00
3 Cemeteries @ £350			1050.00
Internal audit			20.00
CPRE ann. Sub.			30.00
Royal British Legion - poppy wreath			20.00
Freethorpe First Responders			85.00
Accident Rescue service			35.00
External audit			200.00
Sundries			200.00
Freethorpe Village Hall hire plus donation			1500.00
Keeping Village Clock area tidy			250.00

			5245.00

Also earmarked £200.00 for Wickhampton Play Area if requested.
Noted that repairs have been carried out by John High on Wickhampton Village Sign and at the Village Clock and Pump Area in Freethorpe - no invoices yet presented.

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Minutes of meeting of Freethorpe Parish Council held on Monday, 16th February 2009
At Freethorpe Village Hall - 7.45.p.m.

Apologies received from Brian Iles and Comm. Support Police Officer Jon Morgan Jones.

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Paul Bacon, Brian Carr, 4 parishioners and the clerk.

First 10 minutes reserved for public participation - Noted that sign-post at Ash Tree Farm Corner has not been repaired. Pot holes to be reported at Palmer's Lane where bank is also worn down and opposite Aitchison Bros. garage - those near Lower Green Farmhouse had already been reported by the clerk. Police report was read by the Chairman - noted that no crimes had been recorded since last meeting, but Freethorpe is to be a priority area with more police presence at Village Hall area.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a correct record.
 2. Matters arising - no further news on Village Clock repairs. Ruth Bacon had brought along leaflets re Postwick Park and Ride proposals, and these were distributed. Agreed to send leaflet to Councillor Brian Iles with council's objections and asking him to take the matter up. P.C. felt changes to have been ill thought out and going against N.C.C. ethos with regard to green issues.
 3. Planning - full approval has been granted to Matthew Smith re barn developments.
 4. Finance - cheques were signed for Freethorpe Village Hall [£1800.00], Freethorpe First Responders [£85.00] and Norfolk Accident Rescue Service [£35.00] Noted that David Lake had inspected work carried out by John High on Wickhampton Village Sign and Village Clock and Pump Area - awaiting invoice for this work. Noted that John High has indicated that more work will be necessary at Pump and Clock and also roof for Wickhampton sign. Chairman to look into possibility of grant from B.D.C., and to assess what funds are available to carry out further work.
 5. A.O.B. clerk to enquire from B.D.C. whether any restrictions are in place with regard to parking of large vehicles outside Aitchison Bros. Garage.
- NEXT MEETING - Monday, 16th March 2009 7.45.p.m.
With first 10 minutes reserved for public participation.

Nick Spencer

date 16th Feb 09.

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On Monday, 16th March 2009 at 7.45.p.m..

Present - Nick Spencer [presiding], David Lake, Janet Church, Paul Bacon, Linda Turner, Michael Blake, Brian Carr, Councillor Brian Iles, P.C.S.Os Jon Morgan Jones and Paul McAllister, 3 parishioners and the clerk.

First 10 minutes for public participation - Jim Morris lodged complaint re vehicles outside Aitchison Bros. Garage - on 11th March vehicles parked outside garage and lorry opposite unloading materials for Grint Dry Linings caused a traffic hazard. Clerk was asked to inform Inspector David Balls at Acle Police Station about this potentially dangerous situation. Ian Morris complained about dogs fouling footpaths from School to Post Office, also noted that this is also occurring on walks included in Countryside Stewardship Scheme and that a black Labrador dog is again running loose. Note in Yarmouth Mercury report and also to inform Broadland District Council.

P.C.S.O. Jon Morgan Jones introduced new support officer Paul McAllister, and reported that no crimes had been recorded in the parish since the last P.C. meeting. Van had visited Village Hall Car Park over last weekend, and area round Village Hall is one of the Police Priority areas. Noted that in future Police responders will be from Gt. Yarmouth.

Councillor Brian Iles gave his report - first answering matters raised at last meeting with regard to Postwick Park and Ride new charges - no public debate had been deemed necessary, noted P.C. objections to probable reduction in car sharing as being against N.C.C. policy to reduce carbon footprints. Letter to be sent to Adrian Gunson.

Mr. Iles had spoken to Hazel Ellard regarding Affordable Housing, but there is no indication how long the legal matters etc. will take.

Noted that Highways finance is restricted, but clerk had received assurance that verges at The Green and Palmer's Lane are to be reseeded within the next few weeks.

Mr. Iles mentioned ways in which B.D.C. and N.C.C. are endeavouring to help with credit crunch - e.g. employment for more people, loans at reasonable rate of interest, and helping with finance to C.A.B. for more trained staff. Also mentioned department at B.D.C. giving help with preparing C.Vs, etc.

Chairman mentioned listing of potential development sites in the parish - document to be commented on by 1st June 2009 - all councillors to peruse.

1. Minutes had been circulated, and were signed as a true record.
 2. Matters arising - Village clock repairs have been completed, and the chairman will contact Cox & Son re installation.
 3. Planning - councillors looked at Grove Farm Barn extension [Moulton St. Mary], but did not wish to comment. Noted B.D.C. enforcement order re The Old Vicarage.
 4. Finance - cheques signed for John High £375.00 [repairs to Wickhampton Sign and Village Pump and Clock area. Diagram re future work, but clerk to contact B.D.C. about Planning regulations on listed building. Cheque signed for N.R.C.C. -£25.00 Ann. Sub.
 5. A.O.B. -Skip will be at Village Hall Car Park weekend of 9/10 May 2009.
- Parish Training meeting - April 22nd 2009, N.C.C. initiative - new pavilion will be used for exercise course - 'Pilates'

Next meeting - ANNUAL P.C. and Parish Meeting - 7.45.p.m. and 8.15.p.m. on Monday, 20th April 2009 at Freethorpe Village Hall. Clerk to invite reports from village organisations [School, V.Hall committee, Walpole Almshouse Charity, First Responders]

Signed

N Spencer

date 20 April 09.