SEATON ROSS PARISH COUNCIL

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| Date | Tuesday 20th June 2023 7:30pm |
| **Location** | Seaton Ross Village Hall |
| **Attendees** | Councillors Jane Henley (Chair) Geoff Gardham, Rachel Underwood, Claire Hunt. Ward Councillors: Hammond and Cary. Clerk- Gemma Storer. |

|  | | **To Action** |
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| 13/23 | **Declarations of Interest** | n/a |
| None |
| 14/23 | **Apologies** | n/a |
| Paul Johnson, Dave Gascoyne. Apologies not received from R Chapman, P Hamilton |
| 15/23 | **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2023 and any matters arising.** | R Chapman to return declaration form ASAP |
| Minutes were approved. Councillor Johnson brought his declaration forms to the clerk earlier in the month. R Chapman’s have not been returned yet. Cllr Hammond updated the council on Bubwith Bridge works and confirmed that he had requested that we were kept informed of updates. Councillors were happy with the new minute format. |
| 16/23 | **Planning Liaison Meetings** | n/a |
| Tuesday 4th July and Wednesday 12th July by zoom if any councillors were interested. |
| 17/23 | **Finances** | Noted |
| To receive the internal audit report, approve and sign annual governance statement, certificate of exemption, and agree to post the end of year accounts and AGAR form on the website. Wednesday 21st June to Tuesday 1st August agreed as period for Exercise of Public Rights- **Agreed**  Current a/c balance is £4791.12 NS&I £2552.71 Expenditure this month was the defib battery £394.95 (agreed at last meeting) and monthly bank charges £5. |
| 18/23 | **Community Speedwatch** | Cllr Hammond to post. |
| Cllr Hammond advised that a villager had approached him during the elections regarding speeding in the village. Cllr Hammond will advertise on the Seaton Ross Facebook page to see if any parishioners will volunteer to form a community speedwatch group. |
| 19/23 | **Devolution Update** | Noted |
| Under the new ERYC leadership of Ann Handley the council are leaning towards a Mayoral deal. The Local Conservative Councillors believe this is the best option as this deal secures the most money and power from Central Government for the region and gives local residents a say on how they want that money spending by allowing them to elect a Mayor to lead it. |
| 20/23 | **Planning Consultations** | n/a |
| None |
| 21/23 | **Planning Notices** | n/a |
| Only minor amendments |
| 22/23 | **Councillor training Opportunities** | Noted |
| New opportunities were forwarded during the month. |
| 23/23 | **Correspondence** | Noted |
| ERNLLCA newsletter- forwarded. Police Newsletters, Not received this month. |
| 24/23 | **Councillor Forum/Watching Briefs** |  |
| Southfield Lane- Potholes were not filled at the same time as the drop offs were repaired. In addition the repairs did not seem that they were very robust.  A resident had mentioned that they were unhappy with the current council grass cutting rota as due to the recent dry hot weather, cutting the grass can cause more harm than good. Cllr Hammond suggested that the rota may soon be under review.  Cllr Hunt advised that the trees and hedges that overhang the road on North End may need cutting back as they decrease visibility. Clerk will report to ERYC. |

Meeting closed at 20:10pm Next meeting will be 1st August 2023 at 7:30pm