**SEATON ROSS PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON 12th OCTOBER 2021 AT 7.30PM**

**Present:** Councillors J. Henley (Chairman), P. Johnson, R. Underwood, C. Hunt, G. Gardham, R Chapman, D Gascoyne.

**Members of the public**: 7 + G. Storer (new clerk in attendance)

**38/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**39/21 APOLOGIES**

Cllr. Wealleans

**40/21 APRROVAL OF MINUTES**

***RESOLVED:*** That the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 23rd August 2021 are signed as a correct record.

1. **Appointment of Parish Clerk** – Gemma Storer has accepted the role and will officially start on 25th October, approx. 15 hours per month. Cllr. Chapman has organised a laptop for her to use, she is happy to use her own printer but the Parish Council will pay for the consumables. Gemma needs to have a Pension – Cllr. Henley will look into Pensions.
2. **Litter Bin** - Last meeting it was decided to purchase a litter bin for South End – *to the RHS of the bench when looking from the public road, leaving ample room away from the bench to minimise odour and to allow room for the ERYC grass cutting equipment.* The Parish Clerk will now contact the ERYC with an order and justification for the need for a bin on South End.
3. **Phone Box update** – Men in Sheds are in the process of building the shelving, they have confirmed that the shelving will be raised up off the ground to eliminate concerns about damp and there will be room at the top for posters.
4. **Update on South End footpath** – Works are complete – barring one place they have missed. Comments have been made regarding standing water.
5. **Overhanging Trees and Bushes** – Problem trees have been photographed by Cllr. Hunt and Cllr. Gardham, it was decided that it is best to speak to the resident face to face rather than sending a letter. Often following discussion the Parishioner can see the issue and will happily rectify it. Rosewell Cottage and East Leigh continue to be a problem, and have been recorded by the ERYC. The Parish Clerk will send the photographs of these two properties to Jim McGovern, ERYC.

**41/21 FINANCES**

Current Account Balance - £5253.13

***RESOLVED:*** The following payments were approved for action by the Chairman:

Cllr. Hunt - £270. Picnic bench for the village plot, made by Woodend Sawmill..

HMRC payment – £13

Jane Stewart final pay - £52.10

**42/21 ALLOCATION OF WATCHING BRIEFS**

***RESOLVED:*** The Watching Briefs were distributed amongst the Parish Councillors as follows:

1. Welcome letter and village info - The Clerk
2. Liaison with Playing Field – Cllr. Hunt
3. Liaison with Village Hall including phone box – Cllr. Henley
4. Village planters – [Mrs Taplin Breckstreet Lane, Mrs Westerby Mill Lane, Mrs Henley Southfield Lane]
5. Community planter (see 2) – Cllr. Hunt
6. Village plot -Cllr Wealleans
7. Footpaths – public Cllr Gardham
8. Footpaths – roadside Cllr Gardham
9. Highways – Cllr. Chapman
10. Transport Champion – Cllr Henley
11. Drainage/dykes – Cllr Johnson
12. Noticeboard and benches (street furniture) and street lamps Cllr Underwood
13. Defibrillator – Cllr Gascoyne
14. Western Parishes Liaison Group Cllr Henley

**43/21 SPEEDING SURVEY**

A speeding survey was carried out on North End on 6th Sept, Cllr. Henley suggested to the organisers that Mill Lane would have been a better location, as this is the area of Seaton Ross that suffers more with speeding. They have agreed to carry out a survey here.

**44/21 PLANNING CONSULTATIONS**

21/03388/PLF [Erection of 8 dwellings following demolition of farm buildings, conversion of a barn to dwelling and associated works and infrastructure - West House Farm West End Seaton Ross East Riding Of Yorkshire YO42 4NN](https://newplanningaccess.eastriding.gov.uk/newplanningaccess/centralDistribution.do?caseType=Application&keyVal=QZ2KNVBJFVW00)

The Parish Council discussed the proposed development, it was decided to comment to ERYC and recommend that it goes to the Western Area planning sub-committee.

Comments made were:

1. Positives – smaller properties aimed at first time buyers, in keeping with existing semi-detached properties down West End. Interesting design.
2. A large scale development for Seaton Ross, not in keeping with the linear style of the rest of the village more of a cul-de-sac design
3. Plots 6, 7 & 8 positioned outside the village development limit
4. Worries about increased traffic down West End given the width and condition of the existing access road to West House Farm
5. Shortage of parking spaces within the development, 2 cars per household needed as there’s no public transport, also need to consider additional vehicles for visitors, delivery, etc.
6. Access to the agricultural fields via West End still required – it may not be frequent but access for agricultural machinery is needed24/7
7. Lack of pedestrian access within the development and the need for the public footpath on West End to be extended.
8. Worries from residents regarding existing issues with the water drainage and sewerage down West End. There has been flooding down West End in recent years but this is a Yorkshire Water responsibility. The Parish Council to write to Yorkshire Water.
9. Where are the waste bins going to be located on collection day – application suggests dustbin lorry will access via the private road
10. A need for adequate parking, servicing, manoeuvring, loading and off-loading facilities plus limit to hours of work within the site during the construction period of the development for contractors vehicles in the interest of road safety. Specify hours of work.

**45/21 PLANNING NOTICES**

none

**46/21 COUNCILLOR TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

ERNLLCA is offering training for new councillors but it is also a useful update for existing councillors and is recommended. The places fill rapidly but ERNLLCA offers more. The Clerk will forward details.

**47/21 CORRESPONDENCE** – noted.

**48/21 COUNCILLOR FORUM-**

* New Code of Conduct from ERYC- Clerk to check that our code of conduct matches.
* KCOM- zoom meeting on Friday 15th October at 3pm to discuss benefits to the village.
* FOS- have asked if they can reapply for a grant as they previously received one in 2021 but in the previous financial year. Clerk to check grant forms and grant rules

Dates of next meetings 23 November & 11 January.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm.