

# FLORDON PARISH COUNCIL

## Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St Michael's Church and Community Centre at 8pm on Tuesday 21 March 2023

**Present:** Cllrs D Harrison (Vice Chair), J Lockhart, S Phillips

**In Attendance:** G Roderick-Jones (Clerk), District Cllr N Legg, District Cllr G Francis, District Cllr I Spratt

**Tree Warden's Report:** plastic tree guards have been removed, and a local litterpick has been carried out.

**Public Comment:** none

### District Councillors' Reports:

District Cllr Legg informed the council that

- The District portion of the Council Tax will not increase
- The move to Horizon House is expected in May
- Nutrient Neutrality issues are ongoing
- Battery banks are expected to be constructed in Swardeston and elsewhere in the area
- £200 is available for communities to help with Coronation celebrations
- The members' ward grant system is expected to continue
- SNDC have expressed opposition to the Deal for Norfolk proposals
- Health Scrutiny confirm that the N&N needs to expand facilities because times from RTAs to the hospital have become excessive

District Cllr Spratt submitted a separate report to the council

**1 Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Webster, McDonald, Barnes and Dyer

**2 Declarations of Interest:** none

**3 Minutes of Meeting of 17 January 2023** approved

**4 Matters Arising:** none

### 5 Finances

#### a NOTED latest bank balances as at 16 March 2023

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Community Account | £2,833.85  |
| Savings Account   | £9,020.54  |
| Total             | £11,854.39 |

#### b Payment authorised: proposed Cllr Lockhart, sec. Cllr Harrison

Marmax Products                      bench                      £454.80

(cheque will be sent on receipt of VAT invoice)

### 6 Planning Issues

2020/1920 Mrs London's development update (no new information)  
late planning applications if any (none)

- 7 Parish Partnership Scheme:** The application for funding from the Parish Partnership Scheme has been successful – clerk will return form to confirm terms of acceptance (proposed Cllr Harrison, seconded Cllr Lockhart)
- 8 Tas Valley Mushrooms:** no news
- 9 RoSPA Play Equipment Report update:** ongoing, awaiting better weather. SNDC will replace the bridge
- 10 Highways Issues:** Bob Barnes will continue to look after the SAM2 after Cllr Barnes steps down
- 11 Replacement Bench:** has been ordered for delivery to Flordon Hall; after delivery suppliers will send VAT invoice and payment can be made
- 12 Coronation:** Cllr Phillips will find out exactly what is planned (from Janet Negal) and will inform the clerk who can then fill in the paperwork.
- 13 Community Engagement:** ongoing
- 14 Pre-election paperwork** has been completed and the clerk will hand deliver the nomination forms to South Norfolk DC
- 15 Clerk's salary:** information has been circulated to councillors, but in the absence of the Chair, this will be discussed and a decision reached before the next meeting
- 16 Correspondence:** as circulated to councillors and noted above, plus information on current public consultations
- 17 Items for the next agenda:** as above
- 18 Date of Next Meeting:** Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm on Tuesday 16 May 2023, followed at 8.00pm approximately by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council