

Bressingham and Fcersfield Parish Council
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Monday the 4th of April 2022 at 7.15
Meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Interest**
- 3 To Agree the Minutes of the 7th of March**
- 4 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

10 minutes public speaking time

- 5 Planning**
2022/0456 Willow Farm, Hall Lane, Fersfield – raise garage roof and replace/repair barge, fascia and capping boards
- 6 Roads and Traffic**
Speed Cameras: B McAleese findings
Speed limit changes proposal – A McMurray
- 7 Ideas for grant funded projects**
Community Action Fund
Direct Members Grant
- 8 PC Marketing**
Mr Hewitt update
- 9 Flooding**
General updates
B Falk – initial findings and proposed plan of action
- 10 Communications**
- 11 Any Other Matters**
- 12 Date of next meet**



Parish Clerk

Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th of April 2022

The meeting opened at 7.15pm

Present: Councillors, Chair Dr A McMurray, Mr R Hewitt, Mr J Kemp, Mrs S Barton, Mr B McAlees and Mr B Falk. Also present were several members of the public and the clerk Mr M Mortimer

1 Apologies

None

2 Declarations of Interest

None

3 To Agree the Minutes of the 7th of March

The minutes were agreed and signed

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Mr Kemp explained that he had approached the school to get its view on a litter bin in the vicinity and it had no objection. Mrs Barton wasn't sure why one had been requested and Mr Falk expressed a view that too much street furniture was undesirable. The clerk was asked to approach NCC to establish the procedure should the PC wish to go ahead. Dr McMurray reported that she had had no response from County Broadband regarding her suggestion that they re-engage with the community.

10 MINUTES PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

Councillors were asked if more "Offence to Leave Dog Waste" signs could be provided.

Another parishioner pointed out that the broadband organisation B4RN was active in nearby villages and that he would be pleased to get involved if B4RN approached Bressingham and Fersfield.

5 Planning

Approval was recommended for 2022/0456 Willow Farm

6 Roads and Traffic

Dr McMurray had provided analysis of the recent traffic survey including her suggestions for those roads where a case for a speed limit reduction could be made. Mrs Barton felt that there should be 20mph limit outside the school. Dr McMurray believed it was necessary to put a strong argument together for reductions and she took it upon herself to develop that.

Mr McAleese had provided the results of his research into speed warning signs. He explained that those with Automatic Number Plate Recognition were expensive and some councillors doubted that the police would take action even if offenders were identified. There was disagreement over whether the community would welcome the PC being involved in enforcement. It was agreed that some sort of signage was a good idea though Mr Falk felt that signs indicating driver's speeds could be counter-productive as some drivers might try to reach as high a speed as possible. The practicality of salvaging the existing signs was considered and Mr McAleese offered to take them to the manufacturer to establish the situation. He also suggested speed awareness stickers on wheelie bins.

7 Ideas for Grant Funded Projects.

Mrs Barton suggested repairs and improvements to the Village Hall car park and agreed to establish some costs. Mr Hewitt wondered if a lavatory block at the VH would be useful. Mr McAleese expressed interest in a memorial at the old airfield. It was pointed out that the idea had been pursued before but had stalled. Mr Hewitt offered to give Mr McAleese contact details of one of the leaders of the original project.

8 PC Marketing

As requested Mr Hewitt had brought some sample “Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council” stickers which could be applied to PC assets giving the council a higher profile. He agreed to get more including different sizes and put them on bins and notice boards.

9 Flooding

Mr Falk asked for clarification about the dates around the two flooding surveys carried out by Durrants. With regard to the Fersfield report Mr Hewitt referred to the difficulty in establishing responsibility in riparian issues. Dr McMurray pointed out that NCC had asked for details of flooding after the Christmas floods but that many cases submitted were never referred to in the final report.

10 Communications

Dr McMurray reported thanks from the Village Hall for the Jubilee grant and praise for the PC’s response to the AD application. She said she would put details of a South Norfolk sponsored litter pick on to social media.

11 Any Other Matters

Dr McMurray noted that it was Mr Kemp’s last meeting before retiring and, along with other councillors, thanked him for all his efforts and contributions over his time in office.

12 Date of Next Meeting

9th of May at 7.15 in the Village Hall