



Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council

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Monday the 6th of November 2023 at 7.15 Meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall AGENDA

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Interests**
- 3 To Agree the Minutes of the 2nd of October**
- 4 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

10 minutes public speaking time

- 5 Report from County Councillor**
- 6 Report from District Councillor**
- 7 Speed Limit Review**
- 8 Communications**
- 9 Planning**
2023/3210 Windy Ridge, Airfield Road
- 10 Allotment Field**
- 11 Footpaths**
- 12 Finance**
Budget 24/25
- 13 WW2 Memorial**
- 14 MARISCO**
- 15 Review of Polling Districts and Places 2023-24**
- 16 Any Other Matters**
- 17 Date of Next Meeting**

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Parish Clerk



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Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6th of November 2023

The meeting opened at 7.15pm

Present: Councillors, Dr A McMurray, Mrs S Barton, Mrs K Le Grys, Mr M Le Grys, Mr W Hudson and Mr D Richardson Also present were several members of the public and the clerk Mr M Mortimer

1 Apologies

District Councillor, Mr J Easter and County Councillor, Dr C Rowett

2 Declarations of Interests

None.

3 To agree the minutes of the 2nd of October 2023.

The minutes were agreed and signed.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

Mrs Barton reported that new pads for the defibrillator at the Village Hall had been fitted.

10 minutes Public Speaking Time

There was a repeated complaint that the PC had not submitted a response to the National Grid Pylon consultation. Concerns were expressed over planning application 2023/3210. There was a complaint regarding the speed limit review proposal discussed at the public meeting .

5 Report from County Councillor

Dr Rowett sent her apologies and a report including links to NCC regarding flooding, budget consultation, "Hot Spot" funding and travel information. Details will appear on social media and in Dr Rowletts report on the website.

The topic of flooding having cropped up Parish Councillors discussed the current issue. Mr Richardson reported that the drainage work in The Street had not been entirely successful as the drain appeared blocked. Mr Le Grys and Mr Richardson agreed to collect sandbags from Shelfanger and deliver them to the Village Hall.

6 Report from District Councillor

Mr Easter sent his apologies with a report referring to the future introduction of new waste collection rules. Future car parks terms were being considered he said. A copy of his report will be on the website and in the minute book

7 Speed Limit Review

Dr McMurray explained that various suggestions from the public meeting had been incorporated into the proposal sent to the County Councillor for submission to Highways. Mr Richardson felt obliged to point out that funds for any scheme were very little and that there would be much competition between parish councils for that funding. He acknowledged that a great deal of effort had gone in to the proposal which might bring only limited change.

8 Communications

None not already circulated.



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9 Planning

The PC felt unable to recommend approval or refusal for 2023/3210 but was concerned that the existing building could be a wartime Nissen Hut in which case it should be protected. There was also concern that previous development at the site had proved to be noisy.

10 Allotment Field

The clerk reported that Land Registry was taking around 14 months for a first registration. Mr Le Grys felt that there was still much to be considered in the planned sale of the land and it was agreed that a sub-committee be established consisting of Mr Le Grys, Mr Hudson and Mr Richardson.

11 Footpaths

Mr Hudson reported one broken bridge and one damaged unsafe one. He alluded to some possible rethinking by farmers on the matter of footpaths skirting fields rather than crossing them.

12 Finance Report

A report had been circulated and will appear on the website. The 2024/25 circulated budget proposal was adopted containing a 5% increase in precept.

13 Memorial

A request from Mrs Burroughes for support with a memorial for six servicemen men who died in an air crash in Bressingham during WW2 was discussed. There was agreement in principle and that Mrs Burroughes could approach stone masons in the village regarding cost and planning considerations.

14 MARISCOCO

Mr Hudson pointed out that MARISCO was about to produce a new simplified handbook and suggested the council wait for it before considering the matter further.

15 Polling Station Review

Mrs Barton informed councillors that the Village Hall had been passed as an appropriate venue and the clerk was asked to respond to the review if a response was required.

16 Any Other Matters

Mr Hudson wished to point out that Public Speaking Time was not a discussion opportunity and that if residents had an issue they wished to discuss they were free to approach individual parish councillors.

17 Date of Next Meeting

4th of December at 7.15 in the Village Hall