**Present:** Cllr Tony Wood (Chairman), (Vice Chairman) Cllr Ann Lees, Cllr Malcolm Foster, Cllr Titchener and District Cllr Graham.

In attendance: Faye Snowden (Clerk) and Dario Elice.

1. **Election of Chairman**

Cllr Foster nominated Cllr Wood, this was seconded by Cllr Lees.

1. **Election of Vice Chairman**

Cllr Wood nominated Cllr Lees, this was seconded by Cllr Foster.

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

None.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting of 11 January 2021.**

Approved, taken as read and signed by the Chairman as being a true and accurate record.

1. **Matters Arising**

There was no further update on the government reorganisation.

Action: The Clerk to update the PC contacts information for the noticeboard.

The gully’s in the village and the flooding on the Welburn Road had been reported but it was unknown if Highways had responded.

The verge outside Ketton had not been made good.

1. **Declarations of Interest**

None

1. **Election of Councillor**

Following Cllr Porters resignation, Dario Elice was duly elected as Councillor. Action: The Clerk to send the necessary documents to sign and Cllr Elice to complete. The Chairman thanked Andrew Porter for his time spent on the PC.

1. **Public Participation Session**

There was one member of the public in attendance. Another had given comments to the Chairman. It was reported that the daffodils on the bank top had not been fully seen this year due to the grass. Action: Cllr Foster to cut the grass in November this year. Also, plants had been taken from the Welburn end village sign, they will be replanted.

Cllr Graham advised that amendments had been made to the Councillor Code of Conduct and that she would be happy to deliver some training to the PC.

1. **End of Year Accounts, Exempt Certificate & Approval**

The end of Year Accounts, Exempt Certificate were approved and signed by the Clerk. The internal audit had been carried out and all was satisfactory. Action: The Clerk and Chairman to arrange signing of the certificate and the Clerk to submit and also complete the VAT reclaim.

1. **Financial Update & Approval of Payments**

The following payments were approved:

Clerk Tax Q4 £47.00

Clerk Salary Q4 £188.00

Autela payroll Q4 £40.08

YLCA Subs £124

1. **Planning Applications**

21/00163/CAT Village Hall, School Lane – No objection

21/00503/HOUSE The Manor House, Main Street – Comment submitted

21/00528/CAT Oak Tree Cottage, School Lane (Fell Trees)

21/00424/HOUSE Scatterpenny, Main Street – Comments submitted

21/00573/HOUSE 10 Beech Tree Cottage – No Objection

Rose Cottage was discussed. RDC have received an application but to date the PC has not been asked to comment. A site visit will be needed.

1. **Councillors Responsibilities**

Speeding – Cllr Titchener to look into setting up a Community Speed Watch Scheme. Cllr Graham is going to speak to Cllr Goodrick to see what else can be done.

Website and Potholes – Cllr Elice.

Grit Bins, Defibrillator, VETS and Parking - The Chairman.

Grass Cutting , Footpaths and Trees – Cllr Foster.

Telephone Box/Bookstore and Planning – Cllr Lees.

1. **Footbridge over Bulmer Beck**

The bridge on the footpath between Bulmer and Foston – Highways have budgeted for work to take place this year. The bridge to Park Farm and the A64 had been repaired.

1. **Bus Service**

No further information was available.

1. **Government Gigabit Voucher Scheme**

Information on the Scheme had been previously circulated. Action: The Chairman and Cllr Elice to arrange for a notice to go in the noticeboard, website and Howardian.

1. **Village Hall Report**

A report was previously circulated by the Village hall committee. The Hall is in need of repair, works that are due to take place and be completed by September 2021. Funding and advice, is available from RDC and Community First Yorkshire.

1. **AOB**

The Chairman reported that Cllrs had agreed to an annual £20 increase to the Clerks Salary. Action: The Clerk to notify payroll.

The Clerk reported that due to a High Court ruling and following the covid restriction rule of 6 being allowed to meet indoors beginning on the 17th May, our following meeting dates must now be held face to face.

Next meetings 7pm 26th July and 11th October 2021, venue to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Signed Chairperson Bulmer Parish Council