

SOUTH FERRIBY PARISH COUNCIL

Unapproved Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 14 May 2007 at 7.00pm
in the Village Hall

0705/1 Present

Mrs C A Logan, Mr A Fisher, Ms S Haddon, Mr R Holloway, Mr V Leaning, Mr D Mouncey

One member of the public.

0705/2 Presentation by Chair

Attached Appendix A

0705/3 Public Comment

A member of the public suggested that the Parish Council website address be included on the South Ferriby page of the Low Villages Newsletter and it was agreed for the Clerk to arrange this.

Comments were made about how pleasant Beulahpark looks and how well used it is.

The Parish Council clarified that the bird hide door has been removed deliberately to avoid vandalism.

As there was no further business, the meeting was closed.

Appendix A

South Ferriby Parish Council Chair's Annual Report 2006 – 2007

The last year has once again been very busy for South Ferriby Parish Council, with many changes and improvements being made in, and on behalf of, the village.

- We continue to maintain an excellent mix of councillors, both experienced and new, who, between them, hold a wealth of knowledge about the village and its history, and a wide variety of skills from their own professional lives, creating a diverse and effective team. I feel it is important to mention that Parish Councillors accept this role on a voluntary basis. However, the role itself can be very demanding and all Parish Councillors give up a great deal of their spare time in one way or another for the benefit of the village, much of which is carried out unprompted and undeclared, without expectation of thanks. However, thanks should go to them all for the work they have undertaken this year and their commitment to the village.
- Thanks must also go to all the members of the public, Ward Councillors and outside agency representatives who have attended South Ferriby Parish Council meetings over the last year and for their valued contributions and support.
- South Ferriby continued its journey into the twenty first century this year with the launch of the Parish Council website, which contains a wealth of information and is well used even by people living in very obscure places of the world. Our thanks go to local businesses for their continued financial support via their advertising and all those people who contributed to its launch and maintenance.
- A decade on since its last refurbishment, the village park, Beulahfields, was renovated this year, including new equipment, pathways and fencing. Our thanks go to the funding companies, charities and individuals involved with this enterprise, especially those people who carried out many tasks on a voluntary basis. It is pleasing to note that we continue to receive praise from people, not only who live in the village but also those from outside the village for this well used, well kept and generally well respected village amenity. We value and appreciate the time and effort given to the park by both paid and voluntary helpers in maintaining its tidy, safe environment for all ages to enjoy.
- A great deal of time and energy was spent this year on developing a manageable flood plan for the village. A fortunately unfounded flood warning earlier this year offered an opportunity for the Parish Council to put this plan into practice, highlighting both its successful elements and areas for development. This is an area which councillors will continue to develop over the next year to ensure the safety of villagers who live in areas which are deemed at risk from flooding.
- The Parish Council continues to secure, develop and consolidate good relationships with other North Lincolnshire agencies and links with local businesses including Cemex. These links allow the Parish Council to monitor and challenge new developments which may impact on village life and also act as a critical friend, continually and consistently putting the needs of our village and its inhabitants first. All visits from outside agency representatives over the past year have been informative, useful and warmly welcomed and we look forward to consolidating and developing these links further over the coming year.
- The new Clerk to the Parish Council has undertaken, and continues to undertake, training in relation to her role, ensuring an updated, informed and efficient approach

to her duties, which, as councillors, we appreciate and our thanks go to her for her commitment to her role which often goes over and above her remunerated state!

It can be seen then, that much has been achieved by South Ferriby Parish Council this year. However, not one to rest on its laurels, future plans include;

- Continued investigation into footpaths and their status
- Further development of the flood plan
- Councillor and Clerk training
- Neighbourhood action team participation
- Renovation of the tennis courts and playing field including provision for activities for older children in the village
- Continued liaison with outside agencies
- Continual demands of North Lincolnshire Council and highways to lower the speed through the village to a safer 30 mph and maintenance of the A1077

South Ferriby Parish Council's aim this year has been to serve the demands of the people of South Ferriby to the best of its ability. We are proud of all our achievements this year and feel the hard work and commitment of Parish Councillors, together with many village volunteers, has really impacted on the profile of our village. We endeavour to continue to deliver a first class service to the villagers of South Ferriby in the year to come.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Cathy Logan
Chair for South Ferriby Parish Council 2006 -2007