

# South Ferriby Parish Council

Minutes of the Flood Relief Fund meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2014 at 7.00pm  
in South Ferriby Village Hall, Horkstow Road, South Ferriby

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## Present

Cllr Sara Haddon (Chair)

Cllr Dewi Bennett

Cllr Paul Holloway

Cllr Alan Fisher

Cllr Dave Mouncey

## Co-opted Community Representatives

Mr Nigel Appleyard (Rugby Group Benevolent Fund)

Mr Michael Barwick (South Ferriby Methodist Church)

Cllr Sarah Harriman (Chair of Bonby Parish Council)

Revd David Rowett (St Nicholas's Church, South Ferriby)

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### 1. Apologies

Apologies received from Cllr Heathfield (South Ferriby Parish Council) and Cllr Bates (Saxby All Saints Parish Council).

### 2. Declarations of Interest

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Cllr Bennett    Agenda Items 5-7 Pecuniary    South Ferriby Resident & Flood Affected

Cllr Fisher    Agenda Items 5-7 Prejudicial    South Ferriby Resident

Cllr Haddon    Agenda Items 5-7 Prejudicial    South Ferriby Resident & Flood Affected

Cllr Holloway    Agenda Items 5-7 Pecuniary    South Ferriby Resident & Flood Affected

Cllr Mouncey    Agenda Items 5-7 Pecuniary    South Ferriby Resident & Flood Affected

#### b) Dispensations given:

- Dispensations to stay, discuss and vote given to **ALL** Councillors in regard to agenda items 5-7. (Meeting would be inquorate without such a grant).

### 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2014 were approved and duly signed. Proposed: Cllr Bennett, Seconded: Cllr Fisher.

### 4. Fund Total

Statement of accounts.

Raised (inc. Bank Interest)	£109,510.23	
Distributed	£75,628.14	
Sub Total	£33,882.09	
Less Uncleared Chqs	£0.00	
Less Bank Charges (stops)	£48.00	(Lost Chqs)
Less Postage Refund to PC	£50.00	
Balance	£33,784.09	

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Cllr Haddon advised that she is actively chasing a few promised donations.

5. Received Phase 1 Applications

Application 88 was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to pay £125.00.

Proposed: Cllr Holloway, Seconded: Cllr Mouncey.

6. Received Phase 2 Applications

Cllr Haddon noted that there appeared to be a significant number of applicants that are suffering with stress-related illnesses and mental health problems caused by the flood. Cllr Haddon also read a comment left by a resident who didn't want to apply as they felt there were more deserving cases and also by another who felt uncomfortable applying but had to out of necessity.

a) It was determined and **RESOLVED** that the Phase 2 applications received are genuine and valid. Proposed: Cllr Bennett, Seconded: Cllr Fisher.

b) It was discussed and **RESOLVED** that the payment amount for Phase 2 applications would be the balance as at 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014 minus application 88 divided by number of applicants (at the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014). Proposed: Cllr Fisher, Seconded: Cllr Mouncey.

c) Although applicant 40 was recently deceased the application was deemed still valid and would be paid to their estate. The family will be contacted after a suitable period of time.

Cllr Bennett queried whether payment should be contingent on applicants having applied for the Flood Resilience grant. Cllr Haddon commented that whilst she understood Cllr Bennett's view, some residents were under a great deal of strain and may not feel able to complete another form. Furthermore the Parish Council are not in a position to ascertain who has and who has not applied.

It was **RESOLVED** to pay the following applications:

i. Applications 1-71.

Proposed: Cllr Fisher, Seconded: Cllr Holloway.

d) It was **RESOLVED** to pay applicant 72 (received after the agenda had been posted) upon completion of a signed form.

Proposed: Cllr Holloway, Seconded: Cllr Fisher.

7. Procedure/Administration

a) Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the Flood Appeal Fund will close on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

Proposed: Cllr Holloway, Seconded: Cllr Fisher

b) It was discussed and **RESOLVED** that applications received **BEFORE** the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014 would be considered.

Proposed: Cllr Holloway, Seconded: Cllr Fisher

c) Cllr Holloway suggested that a certain amount of money should be held back for late applications as he was concerned that not all residents that need assistance have applied. Cllr Haddon commented that by closing the appeal on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 it would make this hard to administrate. Where would these contingency funds go? If they sit in the Parish Council's main bank account they are no longer appeal funds. How would a decision to distribute these monies be made if the Flood Appeal Committee has been

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disbanded? Revd. Rowett suggested that everyone who sought financial help had received monies in the first round of distribution. It is best to keep it straight forward and hold nothing back. Those that did not apply but are in need could be assisted by other organisations under the direction of the Parish Council.

It was discussed and **RESOLVED** that applications received **AFTER** the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014 would not be considered.

Proposed: Cllr Holloway, Seconded: Cllr Fisher.

d) It was discussed and **RESOLVED** that any residual funds after the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 would be donated to the South Ferriby Village Hall charity.

Proposed: Cllr Bennett, Seconded: Cllr Mouncey.

e) No other administrative/procedural requirements.

## 8. Any Other Business

- Cllr Haddon confirmed that she plans to step down from her media role following the final Flood Appeal press release on the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014.
- There were discussions regarding the Low Villages Newsletter marking the anniversary with a front page photo and headline. Cllr Holloway and Cllr Haddon agreed that the tone of the piece should be positive and they will meet up to finalise the details. Cllr Haddon will also meet with the Editor, Lee Collins. There was a suggestion that extra copies are put in the shop in South Ferriby.
- Cllr Haddon thanked the co-opted members for their attendance over the past year and commented that their input was appreciated.

## 9. Next Meeting

Not required.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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