

# Draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parishes of Tickton and Routh held on Monday 26 April 2021 held virtually via Zoom

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**PRESENT** Councillor Sinkler (in the Chair)  
Councillors: Caley; Dickson; Hadley; Oliver; Riley; N Walker & T Walker  
Mrs Michelle Middleton – (note taker)  
Ward Councillors: Gateshill & Greenwood  
Mr Hirschfeld, Community Development Coordinator, Humber & Wolds Rural Action.  
9 Members of the Public

## **Welcome by the Chairman**

Councillor Sinkler welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Apologies** – were received from Councillor Lenton, Councillor Vickers, Humberside Police, representatives of All Saints Church, The Church in Tickton and The Wednesday Club.

## **Notes of the 2019 Annual Parish Meeting**

The notes of the meeting held on 20 May 2019 were approved as an accurate record. The Annual Meeting of the Parishes of Tickton and Routh was not held in 2020 due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

## **Annual Report by the Chair of the Parish Council**

I have pleasure in presenting the annual Chairman's Report for 2020-21.

We have not held an Annual Parish Meeting since April 2019 due to the Coronavirus Pandemic taking hold of the nation and putting us into lockdown on 23rd March 2020 and subsequent lockdowns thereafter. Like many Town and Parish Councils we have experienced a change to our meetings. During the early part of 2020 the Council operated under Delegated Powers to enable us to continue to transact during the business year. July saw the first of the Parish Council meetings being held via Zoom, a learning curve for many of us including the Clerk.

I would like to thank the Ward Councillors, Pauline, Bernard and Kevin for all their support, help and feedback at our Parish Council meetings which they regularly attend.

Tickton has seen an increasing number of visitors to our community. As you will be aware, some people have congregated at Hull Bridge to meet in groups and at times caused distress to residents by not social distancing or jumping into the river. Working together with local residents, businesses and the Police, ERYC has introduced a Public Spaces Protection Order at this location.

**Play Areas** – To ensure play areas were kept Coronavirus safe, equipment was taped off and the gates were kept closed as restrictions dictated.

Maintenance continued with additional bark being applied around the play equipment at Cullington Field and Weel. The Multi-Use Games Areas (Tennis Courts) were jet washed and treated for moss. Repairs to the play equipment safety surfaces was completed as well as the replacement of the cable wire and trolley system on the zip-wire.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Handyman for his hard work ensuring that our community, assets and playgrounds are regularly checked, maintained and kept tidy.

Observing the Government's Coronavirus guidelines, the facilities remain well used by the public, fitness groups, football coaching and Tickton Primary School.

**Grounds Maintenance** - We continue to maintain the grounds on all Parish Council owned and managed land and plan to apply to the Woodland Trust for additional trees to plant in the parish later in the year.

**Streetscene** - Litter and fly-tipping continues to be a problem within the Parish. However, there has been successful fines for fly-tippers who have been identified.

Dog fouling is frequently reported especially on Main Street, Carr Lane and St Paul's Green.

Additional litter bins have been installed to encourage the disposal of rubbish and waste.

The five defibrillator units continue to be a great asset to the Parish. We would like to thank the Defibrillator Group for their continued voluntary work by ensuring the lifesaving equipment is available in our community.

**Flood Alleviation** - The Parish Council is in dialogue with the Environment Agency to find solutions to reduce potential flood risk as a result of the river Hull being held at high levels over the winter months. The Environment Agency continue to send regular updates through newsletters which are available on our website.

Engineers are undertaking further investigation work in order to resolve issues in the Parish including seepage through the Riverbank at the Crown & Anchor and Weel Road.

The Environment Agency has confirmed that they are reviewing the flood zone rating that had been changed from flood zone 3 to 1.

**Planning** - Despite the pandemic there has continued to be a steady flow of planning applications.

**Finance** – The Precept for 2021- 2022 is £32,423.

### **Development Projects**

The restoration of the War Memorial was undertaken with the support of the Routh Wind Farm Community Chest Fund.

The ERYC VE Day 75th Anniversary Community Fund enabled the Parish Council to purchase street decorations and two Silent Soldiers.

We would like to thank a local lawn care company that continues to treat the land surrounding the War Memorial by way of gift to the community.

The recently installed Outdoor Gym Equipment is of great community benefit, offering additional facilities to improve fitness and wellbeing. The equipment was generously funded with support from Routh Wind Farm Community Fund and the East Riding of Yorkshire Council's Active Creative Facility Development Grant.

The Parish Appraisal, part funded by the Routh Wind Farm Community Chest Fund has now been completed. I would like to thank Peter Hirschfield (Humber & Wolds Rural Action) for analysing and summarising your responses in a final report that is now available on the website. The main recommendations focus on safety, facilities, infrastructure, transport and the environment. The results will enable us to put together a development plan based on residents needs and future vision for our community – thank you all for such a great response to this consultation.

The Parish Council strives to achieve value for money, wherever possible, by applying for grants to fund development projects. We are extremely grateful to all our funders for their continued support.

**Thank you** - My thanks go to all our residents and community groups who have shown enormous community spirit in the face of such a dreadful pandemic.

I would like to thank, Graham, Phillip and Simon for their time and work involved in representing the parishes of Tickton and Routh on the Routh Wind Farm Community Fund Panel.

Thank you too, to the Clerk and all my fellow Councillors for all your hard work and contributions throughout the past year.

Finally, thank you to Councillor Stephen Caley (Vice Chairman).

**Community Led Housing** - The Stage 1 feasibility study, funded through ERYC, has now been successfully completed. As the Parish Council is now required to step back, we are pleased to confirm that residents have come together to form a constituted organisation known as 'Tickton & Routh Community Homes' with a view to progressing to Stage 2. We wish to thank everyone involved and invite members of 'Tickton & Routh Community Homes' to present to you this evening.

### **Tickton & Routh Community Homes Presentation**

The group presented an overview and updated on progress to date. A copy of the presentation is attached to these Notes (Appendix A).

### **Ward Councillor Report**

Ward Councillor Gateshill and Ward Councillor Greenwood updated the meeting on their role representing Tickton and Routh as part of Beverley Rural Ward.

### **Humberside Police Report**

A written report was received. In summary, the report confirmed that there is no major criminal activity within the village. Occasional reports of suspicious vehicles have been received. Residents are encouraged to lock windows and doors at all times, stored items securely and away from public view including keys. Concerns can be reported by calling '101', or if a crime is taking place, then '999.' The Police are in the process of introducing 'My Community Alert' that is used to keep local people up to date with issues in the area. Residents are able to sign up online to this scheme - [www.mycommunityalert.co.uk](http://www.mycommunityalert.co.uk)

The report updated on anti-social behaviour at the foot bridge/main road bridge over the river Hull. The Police will monitor the situation daily especially when we have warmer weather. The Public Space Protection Order is now in place preventing people from jumping into the river from the bridges.

### **Report from Local Groups**

The following local groups presented on their activities and their plans:

**Tickton Village Hall** - The Hall has remained open for Key Workers to attend the Pre-School at times during the Pandemic. The Village Hall Network has been outstanding in support and must be applauded. The facilities plan to open on 17 May with social distancing measures in place and to allow increasing activities from 21 June pending further guidance.

The Christmas Tree was a welcome sight over the Christmas period. Our thanks are extended to Howard Sinkler and family for the donation of the tree. The decorations were supplied, with our thanks, by local residents and from funds raised in the raffle facilitated by the Fruit & Vegetable Market.

**The Little Theatre** – The Pandemic has meant that the pantomime cannot not take place which will impact fund raising this year.

**FITTA** – The group has keeping in contact by meeting virtually via Zoom which has proved a valued asset to members. Although the future is uncertain, it is hoped that the group can meet in the near future following social distancing measures.

**Indoor bowls** - No activity has taken place indoors. Some residents have benefited from bowling outdoors when restrictions allowed.

**Tickton WI** – Monthly meetings with speakers were cancelled early 2020. This resulted in the WI joining the Zoom revolution to facilitate committee meetings and to invite speakers for enjoyment and inspiration. The group has actively supported local residents who could not access Zoom by sending Birthday cards, Christmas and Easter cards and gifts as well as puzzles. An informative newsletter was emailed, hand delivered and shared on Facebook group 'All About Tickton'.

The autumn will mark our 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday and we are looking at how to celebrate. The group are making plans for an Open-Air event in July or August and a Fashion Show in October dependant on current restrictions. Membership has increased to 18 and new members are always welcome.

**Tickton Wednesday Club** - A written report was received. The club which has not been unable to meet since March 2020. We do hope to resume our meetings in the not-too-distant future, but unfortunately our membership has dropped by a half, either by death or transfer to residential care. We more recently have been a group of about 16 ladies over 65 who've met fortnightly for fun and fellowship. Once we are able to meet safely, we will decide on the format of the club, as things will undoubtedly be different. We will put notices round the village and welcome any new members.

**Tickton & Weel Neighbourhood Watch** – Reports of disturbances at Hull Bridge were recorded on a daily basis throughout lockdown. As a result of meetings with ERYC, Humberside Police, the Parish Council, Neighbourhood Watch and local residents, ERYC introduced a Public Spaces Protection Order to stop people jumping from the foot and road bridge over the river Hull. Residents were encouraged to continue to pass on intelligence through Neighbourhood Watch which the Police find very useful.

**Routh Wind Farm (RWF) Community Fund Representative** – The Chair of the RWF Community Fund Panel confirmed that the Fund receives approximately £40k income per year for East Riding wide projects with preference given in the proximity of the Wind Farm.

To date, four applications had been received from the Parishes of Tickton and Routh this year. The closing date has been extended to 27 April to allow for additional applications. A smaller grant fund up to £1k is open to applicants all year round.

**Electors' Open forum**

None raised.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and the groups for their presentations and their contribution to the parishes and closed the meeting.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman) Date \_\_\_\_\_



## What are we?

Project initiated by Parish Council using information from the Parish Appraisal

Body with an interim constitution

A Group with Community Membership and will have an elected Committee



# What do we aspire to do?

Provide "Affordable" rented properties let to local people or those with a local connection in perpetuity within the Parish of Tickton and Routh.

Support other Community initiatives within the Parish subject to the constraints of our final constitution.



## Why do we want to do it?

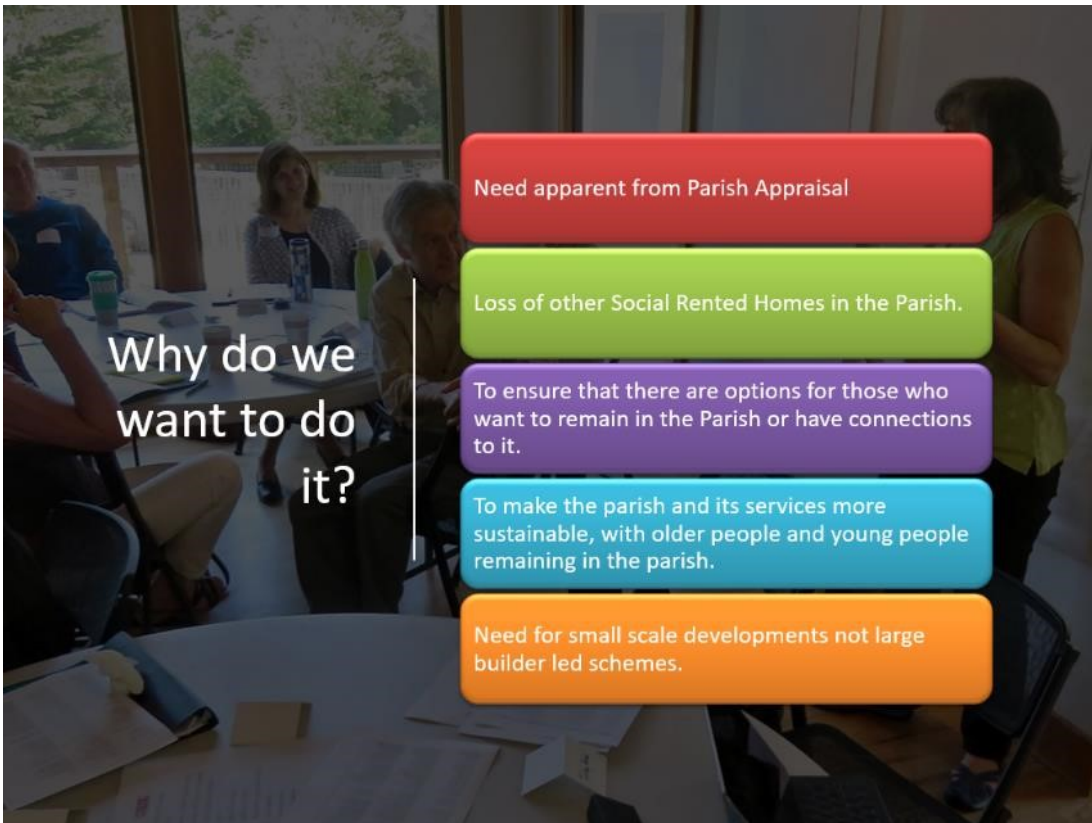
Need apparent from Parish Appraisal

Loss of other Social Rented Homes in the Parish.

To ensure that there are options for those who want to remain in the Parish or have connections to it.

To make the parish and its services more sustainable, with older people and young people remaining in the parish.

Need for small scale developments not large builder led schemes.



# What are the next steps?



## What Timescale is envisaged?

First completions of housing probably 3-5 years

Ongoing Management and Maintenance commitment.

Keeping Local Waiting list and managing allocations.

# Contact us.

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Pending development of our own facilities we will provide updates to the Parish Council website.

