

**Minutes of Croughton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 23 September 2013 at 7.30 p.m. in Croughton Village Hall**

**Present:**

Councillor Brian Tomlin – Chairman

Councillor Jean Coles

Councillor Penny Forbes

Councillor Pamela Gelder

Councillor Rob Robbins

**Absent**

Councillor Margaret Bennett

Councillor Fran Bodley-Scott

Councillor Rodney Cash

Councillor Trevor Davies

**1 To receive apologies and approve the reasons for absence:**

Cllr Bennett – at work

Cllr Bodley-Scott – on holiday

Cllr Cash – on holiday

Cllr Davies – prior speaking engagement

**RESOLVED:** It was proposed by Cllr Coles and seconded by Cllr Forbes to Approve the Reasons for Absence submitted by absent councillors

**2 To Receive Requests for Dispensations:**

**None**

**3 To invite Declarations of Interest:**

**None**

**4 Public Participation:** Members of the Public may speak to Agenda items:

**None**

5 **Planning:**

**Application:**

Ref: S/2013/1161/FUL

Proposal: Alterations to front entrance wall (amendment to S/2011/1081/FUL) and erection of new timber gates (part retrospective)

Location: Trinity House, Church Lane, Croughton

**RESOLVED:** It was proposed by Cllr Gelder, seconded by Cllr Coles and agreed unanimously to object to the proposal for alterations to the front entrance wall (amendment to S/2011/1081/FUL) with the following observations:

- (a) The changes made do not match the property's context within the Conservation area and the visible difference is significant.
- (b) The extension to the right hand wall has been executed in a manner which does not match the existing wall. The stone used is new stone but should be reclaimed stone and the pattern follows a regular course but should be a random pattern to match the existing.
- (c) The new left hand low wall does not match the existing left hand high wall. The angular design is different from the gentle curve; the stone used is new stone but should be reclaimed stone and the pattern follows a regular course but should be a random one to match the left-hand high wall.
- (d) As a minimum, all the stone work outside the gates, should be executed in reclaimed stone laid in random patten.

**RESOLVED:** It was proposed by Cllr Gelder, seconded by Cllr Coles and agreed unanimously to have no objections to the erection of timber gates (part retrospective).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 14<sup>th</sup> October 2013

Chairman