

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019**  
**Held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Present:** David Goodman (Chair)      Brenda Bell      Phil Quinn  
Mark Tudor      Colin Clark  
Nicola LeDain (Clerk)      Peter Markham

**Others Present:** Cllr David Bills (County Cllr) and Cllr Christopher Kemp (District Councillor),  
One member of the public.

**1. Apologies**

Apologies had been received from Cllr Pam Hedge and District Councillor, Garry Wheatley,

**2. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2018 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

**3. Declarations of Interest**

There were no interests declared.

**4. County Councillor/District Councillors and Public Questions**

- 4.1
- County Cllr David Bills reported that County Council were preparing for their budget meeting in February. The Council would be reverting to a Cabinet system from May 2019.
  - The Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) had delayed making a decision on the governance of the fire authority but it had been agreed that the PCC should become a voting member of fire authority (Communities Committee).
  - There were also proposed closures of Children's Centres. Currently 60p in every £1 goes on maintenance, but with the revised plans this would be on services for Children instead.
- 4.2
- District Cllr Christopher Kemp reported that the PCC is currently consulting the level of precept for the Constabulary. He explained the options that were being consulted upon and encouraged people to look at the website for further details and to take part in the consultation.
  - There had been boundary changes agreed which would mean that Lodge Farm Ward would be in Costessey for district matters and Humbleyard Ward for County and South Norfolk for parliamentary constituency. There would be a County Council boundary review shortly.
  - SNDC had fixed their council tax for three years (this being the third).
- 4.3
- The agent for Robert Barnard was present at the meeting to present to the Parish Council revised plans of the planning application that would hopefully be submitted. The Council took note of the application and appreciated the engagement. They would submit their responses when the application as submitted.

**5. Planning**

- 5.1 The Chairman reported that the planning application from Mr Greengrass had been referred to DMC on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019. The Chairman hoped to attend and support the application as per the Council's original response to the application.

## 6. Highways

- 6.1 The PC were pleased to hear that the chevrons had been placed on the corner of Long Lane.
- 6.2 The Speedwatch team had undertaken 4 sessions. The results showed that there had been 46 speeders, with an average speed of 39. Thanks were given to Cllr Clark and Steve Brolly (Chair, Village Hall Committee), Bridge Club members and school newsletter for publicising the anti-speed message. The SAM machines had been moved.
- 6.3 A junction road sign top (triangular) had been on the verge in Long Lane on the left-hand side approaching the Showground from Bawburgh. The clerk would report.
- 6.4 The Council agreed to report the following to the Rangers;
- Any village signs need washing.
  - Grit bins need filling – NR9 3LL. Very close to the Village Hall, opposite the Warrens Entrance.
  - Pot hole – Stocks Hill / Watton Road down to the Village.

## 7. Previously reported items

- 7.1 ***Gypsies and Travellers Short Stay site***  
The PC observed some recent activity on the site but had received no notification from SNDC.
- 7.2 ***South Norfolk Electoral Boundary Review***  
This had been discussed with the District Councillor.
- 7.3 ***Norwich Western Link project***  
This was currently under consultation.
- 7.4 ***Bawburgh Bus services update***  
There was no update.
- 7.5 ***Hornsea Project***  
This was still pending Government approval.

## 8. Newly reported items

- 8.1 **Budget**  
The budget for 2019/2020 was circulated. Prior to the meeting, the Chairman and another Councillor had met with the clerk to review the 2018/19 and 2019/20 budget. It was agreed that donations of £30 should be paid to the Air Ambulance and Norfolk Accident and this would be paid at the March meeting. The budgets were agreed by the Council. A precept request of £6500 was agreed to be sent to South Norfolk District Council and the paperwork was signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.

## 9. Finance

- 9.1 The following payments were **AGREED** and the cheques signed:  
Nicola Ledain salary and expenses: £350.38 (salary) plus £20.00 (expenses)  
South Norfolk Council – empty of dog bins: £360.00  
Elections training – NPTS: £28.00
- 9.2 There were no payments made prior to the meeting:

9.3 There had been no receipts since the last meeting.

**10. Comments from individual Council members (for information only)**

10.1 Councillors had observed that razor wire had been put up around Villa Farm.

**11. Items for next meeting**

11.1 There were no specific items for the next meeting.

**12. Date of next meeting**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019 at 7.30pm

Finished at 9.00pm