

BAWBURGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 24 November 2022 Held at Bawburgh Village Hall at 7.00pm

Present: Peter Markham (Chair) Kay Hipperson Denise Findlay
Philip Quinn Nicola Ledain (Clerk)

Others Cllr David Bills (County and District Councillor)

Present:

The Chair apologised for the confusion over the date of the PC meeting and hoped that better publicity would ensure that this did not happen again.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from District Cllrs Adrian Dearnley and Cllr Phil Hardy.

2. Interests

There were no interests declared.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2022 were agreed and signed as a true record, subject to typos corrected.

4 To receive reports from County/District Councillors/Police and Public Questions

- 4.1 Cllr Bills reported that the Post Office had opened at Hethersett Library and was successfully running.
- 4.2 Discussions around the new Humbleyard Doctors Surgery were still ongoing between Integrated Care Board and South Norfolk Council. Some land had been allocated to build the surgery and a press release was due from those involved.
- 4.3 The Help Hub had been in place at SNC for 3-4 years. It was a pool of organisations that had been set up to help residents of South Norfolk. Community Connectors were those that worked in the community and could put people in touch with those organisations through one number, The number was 01508 535933 and Councillors were encouraged to advertise this throughout the parish.
- 4.4 Cllr Bills reported that there could be an opportunity to have the Beryl Bikes scheme based in Bawburgh if residents were interested.

5. Previously reported items

5.1 *Gypsies and Travellers Short Stay Site*

There was no update.

5.2 *Norwich Western Link project*

Discussions and consultations were ongoing.

5.4 *Hornsea Project*

Ecological assessments had started. Councillors decided this would be taken off the agenda, and put on if communication had been received.

5.5 Footpaths and John Innes Centre

The Chair reported that the new dog waste bin had been installed. The new footpaths were being used frequently and had been a good addition to the village.

6. Highways

- 6.1 The hedge in Harts Lane was concealing the 20mph repeater sign and the 'Welcome to Bawburgh' sign on New Road was also being concealed and was extremely dirty. The clerk would ask for these issues to be rectified.
- 6.3 The Council had a discussion regarding the bus stop at the top of Stocks Hill. It was agreed that Adam Mayo (Highway Engineer) should be asked if it was possible to have a shelter there, or if it had to be remain as a request stop.
- 6.4 There was discussion regarding pavements in the village and the prospect of creating either paths or trods around the village. Areas of concern were Stocks Hill and New Road. The provision of pavements on land was dependent on the owner of the land and their agreement. Conversations could be opened with landowners from the Parish Council and Norfolk County Council could help to facilitate this further. Initial discussion would need to be held with the Highway Engineer to see if the areas in mind were suitable.

7. Newly reported items

- 7.1 The village survey regarding the village green had finished and the responses had been sent to the Chair. He had received a copy just before the meeting, and therefore it would be discussed in more detail at the next meeting in the new year. The Chair updated the Council that on further investigation, he now had the name of those that had put an ownership claim on the green and would undertake some further discussions.
- 7.2 The Council had received a request from residents asking for another SAM monitor to be purchased, and funding to be requested through the Parish Partnership Scheme. The Council AGREED that this should be purchased, so that more of the village could be covered with the speed monitors.
- 7.3 The Parish Council had received notification from SNC that they were now able to fill the councillor vacancy through co-option. A notice would be placed on website, noticeboard and in the Bawburgh News.

8. Planning

- 8.1 There had been no planning applications received,

9. Finance

- 9.1 An up-to-date financial statement was circulated and agreed.
- 9.2 The £250 adopter payment was noted as being received since the last meeting.
- 9.3 The following payments were **AGREED** and the cheques signed:
 - a) Nicola Ledain £481.50 (chq no. 100954)
 - b) Mervyn Buck £107 (chq no. 100955)

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

- 10.1 Pot holes were still a concern throughout the village. Photos and details would be sent to the clerk for reporting.
- 10.2 The Chair asked if a short resume of the meeting could be included in the Bawburgh News, directing residents to the website for further details of the meeting. This would be actioned,

11. Items for next meeting

Cllr vacancy, budget, highways and discussions with Highway Engineer

12. The date of the next meeting was noted as Thursday 19 January 2023

The meeting finished at 9.30pm