

# PULHAM S<sup>t</sup> MARY PARISH COUNCIL



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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Pennoyer Centre, On Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7.30 pm.

**Present:** Cllrs Glover, Langshaw, McDaniel, Clarke, Ellam, Richards and Albon. Cllr Hudson attended as both a Parish and District Cllr

**In Attendance:** The Clerk was also in attendance

- 1: **To consider accepting apologies for absence:** Apologies were accepted from Cllr Burrige & County Cllr Wilby
- 2: **To consider declarations of Interest:** Declarations were received from Cllr Glover on matters relating to the Kings Head PH
- 3: **To approve minutes of the last meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> August 2016:** The August minutes were signed as correct
- 4: **To discuss matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting – for information only:**
  - a) **Parish Website:** The monthly reports have been updated
  - b) **Streetlighting:** Ongoing.
  - c) **The Ditch Clearance in Station Road:** The 10 reflector markers have been purchased and will be fitted this month
  - d) **North & South Green:** Work will commence end September
- 5: **To receive the Chairman's Report:** The Chairman reported that he had carried out the repairs as per the Rospa report at the play area, he had sited the dog bin and will position the waste bin at south green this month. He noted that the South Green Rd sign near the entrance to the recreation ground has been flattened, **Action** The Clerk will advise SNC.  
The dog bin in Mill lane has now been moved along the road and thanks were received from the parishioner who reported difficulty in accessing the previous site. **Action** The Clerk will advise of all new positions to SNC for collection purpose and will also report the drain in Mill lane, to Highways as it is blocked, causing water to reroute along the highway before re-entering the drain further downhill.
- 6: **To receive the County and District Councillor's Reports:**  
The County Cllr was absent and no report provided

The District Cllr reported on the current boundary review, he has submitted a recommendation that Starston, the Pulhams and Dickleborough and Rushall are merged, this would result in a larger elector level than the recommended maximum but as rural location growth is generally slower than towns, this would naturally compensate over time. He also suggested that council given consideration to the name of any future ward.

Voting on the Community Pub of the year continues until 22/9/16.

The District Councillor updated council on SNC initiative helping to reduce energy bills – details are available on SNC's website [http://www.south-norfolk.gov.uk/democracy/1906\\_MTMxNg.asp](http://www.south-norfolk.gov.uk/democracy/1906_MTMxNg.asp)

There have been several burglaries in the surrounding area, A note will be made on the parish report to remind Parishioners to be vigilant and report any crime to the police.

## 7: **Public Forum**

*No members of the public were present so the meeting was not adjourned*

**8: Items for Discussion/Ratification:**

- **To consider commemorating the listing of the war memorial** – This matter was discussed **Action** The Clerk will contact PCC to establish plans for this years' service.
- **To consider investment with Nationwide** - The current 1year invest for £10,000 will mature at the end of Sept, best return available is .9% if the money is reinvested for a further year. Cllr Glover and Cllr Albon completed the mandate to reinvest the funds for a further year. The Clerk advised council that the current 90day investment, interest rate has now reduced to .55%
- **To consider allotment rent and charge to tenants for 17/18** Council perused the breakdown of expenditure at the allotments over the last year and agreed to leave the rent for 2017/18 at £24, the same level as 2016/17, the recovery of water will be based on consumption during 2015/16 will be £3.18 bringing the total charge to £27.18 per 10 rod plot.
- **To consider request from British Red Cross** – Council considered a request for a donation for the Red Cross but agreed that they would prefer to support smaller local charities that have a greater impact on the lives of parishioners.
- **To consider ongoing streetlight maintenance** – Amey have not yet provided the quotation for on-going maintenance, this matter will be forwarded to the October meeting improvements/repairs.
- **Update and to further consider the local government boundary review** – Further consideration of local Government boundary review had been discussed during the District Cllrs report.
- **To further consider forward plan for South Green recreation area** – Cllr Ellam proposed the expenditure of £90 to J Pettitt, who holds the relevant licenses, to spray the weeds at South Green car park, this was seconded by Cllr Clarke and unanimously agreed. Council agreed they would prefer to purchase 2 benches for South Green recreation ground, from Clarkes of Walsham at approx. £260 each rather than the more expensive bench at over £600, previously preferred. **Action** The Clerk will look into purchasing and collecting the donation from the local developer at Glebe Farm, towards this expenditure.
- **To further consider Playground inspection report** – The majority of the recommended work on the playground inspection report has been completed. **Action** The Clerk/Chairman will look into a potential supplier of soil and turf and a working party will be organised for the early autumn.
- **To further consider the Kings Head PH** – The recent meeting with representatives from SNC and NP Law on Compulsory Purchase Order procedures were discussed and outcomes noted.

**9: Accounts: Presentation of the income and expenditure for September accounts** – Cllr Ellam Signed and Cllr Clarke countersigned the September payments  
The balance on the account will be £32,770.73 following the presentation of the following transactions;

**ACCOUNTS : MONTH : Sept**

<b>INCOME:</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	

**Cheques to be paid:**

<b>EXPENDITURE:</b>	<b>Gross</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>Description</b>
Mazar	240.00	40.00	200.00	External Audit 15/16
Heart Sales	107.99	18.00	89.99	Web Hosting
Eon	27.78	1.32	26.46	Pavillion Supply
BT	15.50	2.58	12.92	BB and Calls to 23/9/16
Eon	29.51	1.41	28.10	Streetlighting
Anglian Water	19.55		19.55	Allotment Supply
L Aston	613.42	28.30	585.12	Clerk Sal, Admin, E/M Vill Maint
Post Office	289.80		289.80	PAYE
PH Newby	630.00	105.00	525.00	Village Maint, E/Marked
C Musk	50.00		50.00	Village Maint
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>£2,023.55</b>	<b>£196.61</b>	<b>£1,826.94</b>	<b>£2,023.55</b>

**10: Other Reports:**

- i. **Sports & Recreation Committee** Cllr Albon has install bird boxes around South Green.
- ii. **Tree & Footpath Wardens** No further reports
- iii. **Sam update** an update was provided on the data from the SAM

**11: Planning Applications**

*Cllr Hudson did not take part, but observed as the District Councillor so he could fairly represent the views of the Parish Council as required.*

**New Applications;**

**2016/1719 & 1720 Tara, North Green Road PSM IP21 4QZ proposal first floor extension to rear.**  
Cllr Richards declared an interest, as a neighbour. No objections were raised and the Clerk will respond to SNC.

- 12: To consider the date of the next Parish Council meeting:** The next Parish Council meeting will be on 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 2016 commencing at 7.30pm at the Pennoyer Centre

*The meeting closed at 9.00 pm*

**Signed:** .....

**Date:**.....