

Monthly Report for Pulham St Mary Parish Council Meeting

The Councillors of Pulham St Mary Parish Council met for the Monthly Parish Council Meeting on the 12th November 2019 at The Pennoyer Centre. The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm. Report as follows;

- Apologies were accepted from County Cllr Wilby, Cllrs Albon, Scanlan, Buridge, West, McDaniel and Langshaw.
- No new declarations of interest were received on agenda items.
- Minutes of the October meeting were agreed and signed as a correct record.

The public forum was brought forward – Anne Cleveland attended to provide an update on the Pennoyer Centre;

Café use, private and business bookings have all increased and 18/19 income is expected to exceed budget, with Grants and fundraising continuing to contribute a large percentage towards the overall income. The Centre's costs have also increased due to inflation and increased minimum wage and a loss is therefore anticipated. The Centre remains a good community asset for the local area and appreciation was expressed for staff and volunteers.

Coming events include the Winter Beer and Gin Event and Xmas lights over the weekend of 29th November and the family film, Lion King on 20th December.

- All news items and records have been updated on the parish website. The Clerk has been contacted by the developer of the parish website, providing options for improvement of the current site. Details will be included on the December Agenda.
- The Clerk has procured a contractor to quote for refurbishment of the finger post signs in the street, an estimate for work required is anticipated early in 2020.
- Adoption of the conservation area appraisal is anticipated December 19 <https://www.south-norfolk.gov.uk/residents/planning-and-building/conservation-and-listed-buildings/conservation-area-appraisals>

Reports

The Chairman thanked councillors for the additional work they have undertaken within working groups assisting with maintenance around the village. The Chairman also expressed disappointment at the level of antisocial behavior and criminal damage in the village over the past months. The Clerk will invite inspector Symonds, Diss safer neighbourhood team, to meet council and discuss management of the situation.

- The Hempnall roundabout project has now completed and is now fully open.
 - A new Fiber optic cabinet in North green Road, extending coverage in the village.
- Cllr Wilby** provided a report, copy available on the parish website.

Matters for consideration

New planning applications (full planning details on parish website)

2019/1827 Kings head – Purchase notice received, LPA to consider by 10/12/19

2019/2136 Barn at Kemps Farm **2019/2175 & 6** Oak Cottage Garlic Street- No objections raised

Clerk will submit requests to consider approval.

- Council ratified £772.99 to supply and install PVC weatherproof box, with additional work required to repair the streetlight by Pump Cottage on The Street.
- Council ratified a £500 limit to provide a metal gate on public foot path 17, leading from Station Road and a £1750 limit to upgrade stile and/or replace with a kissing gate on public foot path 15 accessed from the side of the church. These projects will be funded by Community Infrastructure levy awarded to the parish to support development.
- Cleaning at the play area has now been completed, the replacement roundabout in on order and install is anticipated by the end of the year.
- Further discussion on playground maintenance and pavilion demolition will be moved to future meetings for consideration.
- A working party was appointed to consider appropriate documents, for submission as part of the councils Local council award scheme application. All approved documents will be ratified by full council prior to submission.

Accounts

- The accounts for November were presented, approved and payment signed. Details available on the parish website.

Other Reports

- No further reports provided

Full draft minutes will be available on the parish website and displayed at the post office prior to the meeting on the 10th December 2019. Apologies were given by the Chairman for the December meeting, the Vice Chairman will chair the meeting. Report prepared by Lisa Shulver 13/11/19