

Monthly Report for Pulham St Mary Parish

The Councillors of Pulham St Mary Parish Council attended a remote monthly parish council meeting on 8th December 2020. The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm. Report as follows;

Ongoing Matters.

- Apologies were accepted from Cllr Burrige, Scanlan, Langshaw and West. No additional declarations of interest received on matter for consideration.
- Minutes of the November meeting were agreed and will be signed as a correct record.
- All news items and records have been updated on the Parish Council website. The website has now been upgraded to SSL and is fully responsive on all devices. The Clerk will continue to update documents for improved accessibility
- The annual play area clean and paint programme at the play area has been postponed pending an improvement in the weather. All other village and CIL projects remain pending.
- The Kings Head remains pending, awaiting date for the purchase notice hearing from the local planning authority.

Reports from the Chairman, District and County Councillors.

The Chairman/District Cllr Hudson updated Council and thanked all those who have promoted a Christmas atmosphere, with lights and decoration throughout the village.

The District Cllr welcomed the installation of 'Slow' restrictions on the PSM/Starston Road but high-lighted inconsistency I guidance as these are still within a 60mph zone. The County Cllr will take concerns back highways and also seek confirmation on further improvements to speed signs.

The County Cllrs report was given and details are available on the parish website. Both District and County Cllrs wished the meeting Merry Christmas and the County Cllr left the meeting.

Public Forum

No further matters were discussed during the public forum.

Matters for consideration

- No new planning applications were discussed during the meeting. Any applications received will be circulated to Council/planning committee as required.
- Council ratified an increase to £50.00 pa for the Ground rent at land used for allotments.
- The Clerk updated Council on difficulties with the current contractor attending/repairing streetlight faults. As the Council are not currently restricted by a contract, Council agreed that the Clerk should procure tenders for consideration for ongoing maintenance arrangements.
- Council considered future expenditure/financial commitments for the coming year. The Clerk presented the draft budget in preparation for the precept request 2021/22. This matter will be discussed and ratified at the January meeting.

Accounts

- The accounts for December were ratified, details are available on the Parish Council website.

Other Reports

- There were no further reports from the sports and recreation committee or on trees. The Clerk will speak to the landowner on the condition of the bridge and handrail on the Crossingford / railway line footpath towards Starston.
- An update was provided on the SAM, with data to follow.

Full draft minutes will be available on the Parish Council website and displayed at the post office. The next meeting will be held by Zoom on 12th January 2020.

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