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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Pennoyer Centre, on Tuesday 13th July 2021, commenced at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Scanlan (Chair) Cllr Clarke (Vice Chair), Ellam, Burrige and McDaniel. Cllr Langshaw joined during the meeting. County Cllr Willby, District Cllr Hudson, the Clerk and Dan Cave the Armed Forces Champion were also in attendance. One member of the public attended to observe the meeting.

1. Welcome, consideration of apologies and reasons for absence.

The Chairman welcomed Council and apologies were accepted from Cllr West and Cllr Langshaw provided notice that he would arrive late.

2. To consider declaration of interests and dispensation by Councillors.

Cllr Langshaw declared an interest in SN Village Cluster allocation for housing.

3. To approve minutes of the last meetings of 8th June 2021.

The minutes of 8th June 2021 were ratified as a true record of the meeting and a copy signed by the Chairman.

4. To discuss matters arising from the last meeting – for information only.

Parish Website.

News items and statutory records have been updated on the Parish Council website.

Village/CIL Maintenance and Projects.

No new projects discussed; ongoing maintenance included for consideration.

Ongoing response to the flooding, December 2020.

Update, including a report from Flood & Water Management, Community and Environment Services was circulated to Council for perusal. Cllr McDaniel and the County Cllr Wilby advised that Anglian Water and the LLFA are expected to provide their reports in the coming month. The County Cllr informed Council of the new single point contact for flooding in Norfolk.

Improvements to the pond area

Saffron Housing will be clearing the pond in North Green Road on the 8th Sept 2021, this will be amalgamated with a general estate clear up, which Saffron will organise with their tenants. The Clerk will advertise for volunteers and notify anyone who has already offered to help on the day.

Kings Head

Awaiting confirmation from the LPA, on date for the purchase notice hearing. The Clerk will contact the LPA lead for an update and details on when the demolished chimney stack will be replaced.

5. To receive the Chairman's Report.

The Chairman welcomed Dan Cave to the meeting as the new Armed Forces Champion and advised Council that he may have found someone interested in becoming the Village Footpath Warden. He explained work commitments had recently put pressure on his time but he would like to take an opportunity during the summer

to have a walk around the village and identify any maintenance or areas for improvement and report back at the September meeting.

6. To receive County & District Councillors Reports.

The County Cllr provided a report. (Attached)

District Cllr Hudson reminded council that any comments on the SN Village Cluster Housing Allocations Draft Plan require submitting by 5pm 2nd August 2021. South Norfolk Council have now commenced their annual Community Awards and anyone wishing to nominate a community hero can do so until the 5th Sept 2021.

<https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/news/article/129/south-norfolk-nominate-a-community-hero>

7. Public forum

No public were present but the Clerk had circulated an email expressing concern at the detrimental environmental impact of cutting back verges unnecessarily, within rural areas and highlighting an increase in speeding through the village. The Clerk has responded.

Council agreed that expanding on the Chairman's wish to consider maintenance and improvements in the village, the Clerk should organise a village 'walkabout' and invite parishioners to attend. This will also be an opportunity to highlight the pond clearance being carried out by Saffron and provide opportunity for parishioners to get involved with the upkeep of the village.

8. Items for discussion and ratification

• Current Planning Applications

2020/1865 Upper Vaunces Farm – Awaiting response from the LPA .

2021/0841 Post Office Stores – Request to consider refusal pending further information

2021/0853 Norwich Road – Approved with conditions

New Applications

2021/1228 Upper Vaunces Farm – Shed extension to existing poultry facility. **No objections raised the Clerk will submit a request to consider for approval.**

2021/1498 – Foot path order FP10 – Considered at the January meeting, no objection raised.

Road restriction and work have been carried out in relation to the installation of County Broadband. The Clerk will contact the company and ask for advance notice of future work.

Notice has been provided of planned road closure (TBC) to repair bridge (TM28120) 6/9/21 – 24/9/21

• To consider co-option to fill current casual vacancies

Dan Cave expressed an interest in co option as a parish councillor. He provided brief resume and explained how he would enjoy the opportunity to take on a community support role. Cllr Ellam proposed Co-option, this was seconded by Cllr McDaniel and unanimously agreed. Cllr Cave signed his acceptance of office, countersign by the Clerk and completed a declaration of interest document, to be forwarded to the monitoring office at South Norfolk Council.

• To consider the Rospa report, north Green Playpark

Council was happy to receive the report that identified a low – low/medium risk in all areas. Some general cleaning and repainting work highlighted has already been scheduled for completion. The bench damaged by vandalism is considered only a low risk, Council agreed to not replace the bench at this time. The Clerk has investigated repair but currently this work is financially unviable. Cllr McDaniel will make further enquires on this matter.

• To consider tree report, North Green Road

The GM contractor has looked at the trees, it is not thought that the trees are diseased but quote has not yet been received to cut back. The Clerk will procure a second quote.

• **To consider comment on SN Village Cluster allocation for housing – REG 18 consideration.**

Council agreed to support the extent of the settlement limit proposed and the preferred site SN1052REV, but to identify specific requirements to manage surface and drainage water adequately and to ensure water in not drained via Norwich Road/Mill Lane. Council will highlight historic problems with this sewage/water route. Council agreed to reject Shortlisted site SN1027 because of limited access to the site.

The Clerk will complete the consultation document and submit prior to the 2nd August 2021

9. Presentation of income and expenditure for July 2021

Cllr Clarke proposed receiving the accounts for July, this was seconded by Cllr Langshaw and unanimously agreed. The balance following presentation of the following receipts and payments entered in the accounts for will be £50,761.16

No Income

Expenditure

- Anglian Water, Allotment Supply £27.14
- BT, Broadband and call package to 23/7/21 £18.92
- I Thurgood, Install bin and materials for planter £220.00
- Playsafety, Rospa report £94.90
- Excite solutions, strimming ditch Station Road £96.00
- TT jones, Streetlight contract 3 months £42.26
- L Shulver, Salary £429.15
- L Shulver, Expenses £37.30
- Replacement Padlock and cord £11.56

ACTION the Clerk will raise bank transfers required, to be approved by Cllr Ellam.

10. To receive other reports.

Sports and Recreation Committee.

No further report

Tree and Footpath Wardens.

No further report.

SAM.

No further update

Armed Forces Champion.

Cllr Cave provided details on his military background and why he has offered to stand as the AF Champion. He as already spoken to PCC on involvement within the village commemoration of Remembrance Sunday and he would also like to promote an informal regular meet up, for anyone with connection to or with interest in the Armed Forces.

11. To consider the date of next meeting

There will be no meeting in August, the September meeting will I be held at the Pennoyer Centre on Tuesday the 14th Sept 2021, commencing at 7.30pm

Meeting Closed at 20.45

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