

MINUTES OF SOUTH WALSHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Monday 4th November 2019 at 7.30pm at South Walsham Village Hall

Present: Rod Russell (chair), Darren Debbage, Malcolm Dennis
Clerk: Aileen Beck County Councillor: Fran Whymark 9 members of the public

1. ATTENDANCE

Apologies for absence: John Debbage (holiday), Roger Jones (work commitments), Amanda Miller (holiday) and Malcolm Steward (personal)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Cllr D Debbage – Village Hall Trustee – 11.1 11.2

Cllr M Dennis – Village Hall Trustee – 11.1 11.2

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th October 2019 were agreed and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

4. PUBLIC FORUM

4.1 Reports from District Councillors Nigel Brennan and Justine Thomas:

Broadland & South Norfolk Business Awards are open for nominations www.south-norfolk.gov.uk/businessawards

Tots2Teens holiday childcare brochure being produced, for more information contact nicola.pye@broadland.gov.uk or call 01603 430538. Booking opens 18th November.

Member-led funding: cash available for local groups who need a small amount of funding to make a positive difference in the community

Broadland District Council will close from noon on 24th December and reopen 30th December

Report from County Councillor Fran Whymark:

The 5 Clinical Commissioning Groups in Norfolk are set to amalgamate next year with a five year plan being prepared for presentation next year. GP surgeries will be part of a primary care network to include physiotherapists, chiropody etc.

There is a flu jab scam operating suggesting that for £1.50 a priority appointment can be made – it cannot.

Warm Homes Fund can provide grants to install central heating into properties

https://www.broadland.gov.uk/info/200193/keeping_warm_at_home/205/reduce_your_energy_bills/2

There are 2 dedicated workers across Broadland and any instances of rough sleepers can be reported on 01603 430638.

Police report – no recorded crimes 7th October to 31st October

4.2 Public forum:

Concerns about the staithe: slipway rules being changed; fisherman using staithe; all who use slipway should pay; enforcement of rules

Overgrown hedges at corner of The Old Rectory and in School Road

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – TO RECEIVE UPDATES

Council noted the following:

5.1 A letter of support has been sent to Norfolk Wildlife Trust regarding their South Walsham Marsh Crane habitat improvements. They have thanked Council for their support.

5.2 A letter has been sent to Elizabeth Estates (NWB) Ltd regarding the Kings Arms. No response to date.

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- 5.3 Transfers to the churchyard and cemetery account (JCBF account) have been completed
- 5.4 Norwich Electrical have fitted the new replacement lighting bollards in the churchyard
- 5.5 The Clerk attended The Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) briefing on the current electoral review of Norfolk on 6th October 2019 – no proposals for the parish available at present
- 5.6 An article has been placed in The Mardler about use of the playing field to walk/exercise dogs despite signs to the contrary
- 5.7 The article regarding the pumping station on School Road has been included in this month's Mardler and Anglian Water encourage residents to make reports whenever necessary. Clerk has spoken to Louise at Fairhaven who also make a report as soon as any problem arises.
- 5.8 The seat and planters on the Village Green have been removed

6. CORRESPONDENCE

email	Broadland District Council	Rough Sleeper Count 11/11/2019	Noted
email	Norfolk Citizens Advice	Requesting donation	Council AGREED £50 donation
email	Norfolk Fire & Rescue Service	Draft Integrated Risk Management Plan	Noted
email	Norfolk Association of Local Councils	Notice of AGM 20 th November 2019	Noted
email	Fairhaven VA CE School	Request regarding dove problem	Discussed: Cllr Whymark emailed Pest Control of Broadland District Council during meeting and also suggested school contact their Insurance Company. Cllr D Debbage to report to school

7. ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL MATTERS

- 7.1 It was AGREED Norfolk Association of Local Councils should put together the new Parish website required from April 2020 at a cost of £35 per annum.
- 7.2 The following payments as circulated were approved:

The Garden Guardian (01.10.19)	£705.63	£141.13	£846.75
Salaries	£693.97		£693.97
A Beck expenses	<u>£56.59</u>	<u>£10.00</u>	<u>£66.59</u>
	£1,456.19	£151.13	£1,607.31

- 7.3 Bank reconciliation:
 - a/c 00621042 £16,377.98
 - a/c 01647010 £13,424.39
 - a/c 01460751 £30,175.68
 - a/c 07455911 £2,084.45

- 7.4 Cllr Miller APPOINTED to undertake half year accounting review – Clerk to arrange
- 7.5 It was noted that the Clerk's probationary period ends 21st November 2019

8. CEMETERY AND CHURCHYARD

The proposals put forward by the JCBF were AGREED: W Tyrrell to carry out three quoted works on wall, steps into churchyard and inspection cover. George Taylor to fix oak posts around the car park, improve the ramp and cut and 'chip' the Lime tree growth as quoted.

9. HIGHWAYS & FOOTPATHS

- 9.1 Our Highway Engineer will support an application under the Parish Partnership Scheme to improve access to Footpath 5 from Wymers Lane and suggests making steps with timber edging along with a formalised gradient ramp suitable for pushchairs as the footpath leads to the school. Approximate total costs £2,000, so £1,000 contribution from Council.

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Clerk to receive project costs from Highways Engineer in time for next month's meeting and to meet deadline of 6th December.

9.2 A resident reported problems with the bier way (Footpath 5). Cllr Russell to speak to Nicholas Crane.

10. SLIPWAY

Clerk confirmed she had telephoned the Broads Authority that morning regarding the barrier and was informed the asset officer was out of the office this week. Clerk to contact before next meeting. Cllr Russell acknowledge points raised in the public forum and confirmed that there were no plans to change the rules to the slipway.

11. RECREATION GROUND

Both items carried forward to next meeting as no quorum.

12. SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE TASKS

Bure Valley Conservation Group to hand pull growth from the small pond at Kidman's Corner on 20th November and more strimming to be done beforehand. County Farms aware and have given consent.

13. PLAYGROUND SIGN

Awaiting artwork from school.

14. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEXT AGENDA

Next Meeting: 2nd December 2019

Improvements to the cemetery

Report from the Tree Warden Network AGM held on 19th October 2019

Policy reviews

Meeting closed 8.22pm

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