

Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 9 November 2020 at 7.30pm via MS Teams

Present:

Clare Morton (Chair), Peter Ross (PR), Ruth Goodall (RG), Paul Cowley (PC),
Robert Banks (RB)

Apologies received: Justin Cohu (JC), Peter Bulman (District Councillor), Greg Peck
(District Councillor)

Other attendance: Helen Pearson (Clerk)

1 To receive Members' Declaration of interests for meeting tonight and to update declaration of interest forms.

None raised but all Councillors, as parishioners, would be impacted by the proposed western link road.

It was noted that B Keen has resigned as parish councillor and Broadland DC have been informed to start the casual vacancy notice process. **Action: Clerk**

2 To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2020

The minutes of 14 September were agreed and signed as an accurate record. The Chairman will give the signed minutes to the Clerk at the next physical meeting.

3 To receive information on matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda

Planning for the Future consultation – The Parish Council has submitted its response to oppose against the White Paper.

Off shore cabling - Phase One Consultation Summary Report for the proposed Sheringham Shoal Extension Project (SEP) and Dudgeon Extension Project (DEP) has been published and it appears they have taken on board the comments submitted to them. PC reported that Equinor New Energy Ltd has offered to meet virtually with the Parish Council if wished and he will also be in contact with their Liaison Manager as the project progresses. **Action: PC**

PR shared a briefing by R Pearce who is leading the Judicial Review (JR) of the Norfolk Vanguard Windfarm Project on the grounds of failure to properly consider the cumulative impacts. For the parish, the decision on Hornsea

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Three is still in abeyance until December but the Secretary of State is minded to approve. If the JR is successful, then the Secretary of State's decision to approve Norfolk Vanguard will be quashed and he will need to re-consider his decision.

R Pearce is raising funds for the High Court Hearing from donations from parish councils and Crowd Justice website. The Parish Council agreed to donate £2000 (Solar Fund) as it will be a benefit to the community if the JR was successful.

4 To receive update on water for allotments

PC reported that he has received an updated quote from Anglian Water, fixed for 12 months, for the water connection. He hopes to reach a resolution with them on the installation of the connection, on land owned by Clarion, with the pipe running from it to the allotment. **Action: PC**

5 Norfolk County Council's annual budget consultation

NCC is consulting over its level of Council Tax and its savings proposals across all its services. The deadline for the consultation is 14 December.

6 To discuss / action highway issues

6.1 To discuss the NNDR Western Link

6.2 To discuss the A47 Dualling/A47 junction modification

RG had circulated an update prior to this meeting which reported:

- that the Parish Council's response to the Local Access Consultation has been submitted.
- the first results based on quantitative data was shared at the NWL Liaison Group meeting.
- the closure of Weston Road, Breck Road and Broadway to non motorised traffic has been accepted.
- there was a 50:50 split on the closure of Ringland Lane, with Ringland residents being more in favour of closure to non-motorised traffic than Weston Longville residents. This topic is likely to come back to Weston Longville and Ringland PCs for further discussion.
- the next meeting will look at traffic modelling and destination data.

RG also said that NCC have introduced regular meetings for parish representatives and discussions included the development of a Plan B should the A47 be dualled and the NWL not go ahead or be subject to a significant

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delay; questions about the interpretation of traffic count figures; discussion in more detail the PRW proposals and wider mitigation measures such as a safe pedestrian crossing for the A1067 and a footpath up Marl Hill. The data gathered for the Three Parishes Plan have been used as evidence of need.

As NCC and HE have asked for comments on Plan B from the parishes, it was agreed for all to consider for further discussion at the next meeting.

Action: All

- 6.3 To receive an update on traffic calming steps
CM reported that the raised pavement proposals was shared in the Wensum Diary with one response received, suggesting for a raised pavement by the Post Office Lane. CM will amend the proposals and circulate to all for feedback. **Action: CM**

Discussion took place around pedestrian safety at Rectory Road and Rectory Lane, especially as schoolchildren walk along it to catch their bus. It was agreed to bring this to the attention of NCC to review access on Rectory Road. **Action: CM**

- 6.4 To discuss traffic volume and speed
No additional data has been received. CM is in the early stages of drafting a footpath strategy and will also refer to the Cornwall County Council's Public Path Order, as a guidance to apply to the parish. This will form a reasonable starting basis for consultation with NCC. **Action: CM**

7 To consider planning issues / applications

- 7.1 To consider the following planning applications
- 7.1.1 Beck House 20201942 – no objections
- 7.2 To consider planning applications received since distribution of the agenda
None
- 7.3 The following planning responses sent since last meeting were ratified:
- 7.3.1 Fairfield House Campsite 20201732 – no objections
 - 7.3.2 TMA Bark Supplies Ltd 20201769 – no objections
 - 7.3.3 Ivy House Farm 20201806 – object to the two storey garage proposal.
 - 7.3.4 Dairy Farm Barns 20201946 – object to the attempt to reinstate the original application (20200376) by means of multiple applications to convert buildings previously removed.

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- 7.4 To consider other planning matters
Traveller's Site – S Kenny (BDC) will issue new enforcement notices as he has received new material change in the situation at the site. It was agreed by all to continue in pursuing this matter and chase up the Planning Inspectorate meeting. It was noted that MP Jerome Mayhew is aware of the situation.

Recent anti-social noise has also been reported to Environmental Health.

8 To receive outstanding correspondence and agree action/response

- 8.1 Correspondence received since distribution of agenda – None

9 To review financial matters

- 9.1 To accounts to date for 2020/21 were received.
- 9.2 To following payment were agreed:
- i. Clerk's salary and expenses - £638.73
 - ii. CPRE membership - £36.00
 - iii. Covid 19 Financial Assistance Fund (Solar Fund) - £200.00
 - iv. Ladywell Accountancy - £38.00
 - v. Lady Prince Smith - £50.00
 - vi. Remembrance Sunday wreath - £25.00
 - vii. Donation the Judicial Review (Solar Fund) – £2000
 - viii. Donation to Tree Warden Network (Solar Fund) - £50.00
- 9.3 Receipt of precept was noted (second instalment 2020/21 for the amount of £2908.00)
- 9.4 To consider draft budget for 2021/22
The draft budget was considered. Following a discussion, the budget was agreed as drafted.
- All agreed to consider how to spend CIL monies should be earmarked, based upon recommendations from the new Parish Plan. **Action: All**
- 9.5 To set the parish precept for 2021/22
Further to item 9.4, it was agreed that the precept would increase by 5% per property. The exact amount of the precept would be confirmed by email once Broadland District Council had confirmed the tax base. The increase would be approximately £2.05 per Band D property per year.

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- 9.6 To appoint Internal Auditor 2021/22
Council agreed to appoint S Blythe for this role.
- 9.7 To review Covid 19 Financial Assistance Fund
All agreed for the Fund to continue, with a re-launch and a reminder to parishioners that it is available. It was agreed that:
- The donation limit will remain at £100 maximum,
 - It will be acceptable to make more than one donation to a household.
 - CM to revise the current Covid 19 application form and publish its information in the Wensum Diary. **Action: CM**
- 10 To note the website has been updated to new accessibility standards - noted**
- 11 To receive any other business (for information only)**
B Keen – The Chair gave formal thanks and recognition for the work undertaken by B Keen during his time as a parish councillor.
- Tree Warden Network – PC gave an update on the Broadland Tree Warden Network AGM and explained that the Network is supported by donations.
- New Year's Day walk – to be confirmed depending on the pandemic and its restrictions.
- 12 To receive items for the next agenda**
It was agreed that off shore cabling will become a standing agenda item.
- 13 To confirm date of dates of future meetings**
Monday 8 February 2021
Monday 10 May 2021
Monday 12 July 2021
Monday 13 September 2021
Monday 8 November 2021

Meeting closed at 9.50pm