

NORDELPH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Nordelph Parish Council on Wednesday 22nd January 2014 at the Village Hall at 7.00pm

Committee Members: Cllr. M Harwood, Cllr. D Gott, Cllr. R Bailey, Cllr. B Bushnell, Cllr. R Stannard, Cllr. G Cosson, Cllr. Jones, Cllr. Balls, Cllr. Slow

Those Attending: Cllr. M Harwood, Cllr. Stannard, Cllr. Balls, Cllr. Bailey, Cllr. Bushnell, Cllr. Gott, Cllr. Cosson, Borough Cllr. Pope, Borough Cllr. Spikings, County Cllr. Humphrey

Public: Mr. Paul Shipton

Apologies: Cllr. Jones, Cllr. Slow

1. Welcome

1.1 The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting.

2. Apologies

2.1 Apologies accepted as listed above.

3. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

3.1 Cllr. Bushnell declared an interest in Item 12 on the agenda, Planning application 14/00042/F.

4. Public Forum

4.1 Mr. Shipton, who lives directly opposite the new development of 6 terraced houses along the High Street, reported his concerns about the width of the road outside his home now that the brick wall has been reinstated in exactly the same place as the old church wall and a new 1.2m pavement created. Cllr. Harwood reported that he believed the covering letter to the planning consent stated that the road was to be 'widened' as part of the new development. Mr. Shipton's front door exits directly onto the road and traffic is now forced even closer to his property with the creation of the footpath. Cllr. Spikings agreed to arrange a meeting for the Chairman & Enforcement to address these concerns.

4.2 It was noted that the bridleway sign at the foot of the bridge is covered in ivy and obstructing the view when trying to exit left from the bridge onto the A1122. Clerk to arrange for the ivy to be removed.

5. To confirm & sign the minutes from the last meeting

5.1 The Minutes of the last meeting were signed as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr. Balls and seconded by Cllr. Bailey.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting

6.1 There were none.

7. Village Hall

7.1 A copy of the Village Hall's insurance schedule is awaited. There is the possibility that some of the covers needed by the village hall could be duplicated on their policy which the PC policy already has for free. On going.

7.2 Clerk to obtain names & addresses of all of those on the VH Youth Club Committee for her files.

8. Police Matters

8.1 Information regarding fixed penalty notices for persistent dog foulers was noted.

8.2 Information on the Police 2014/15 budget & council tax survey was noted.

9. BCKLWN Issues

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9.1 Information on planning training/information sessions in February was noted.

10. Cemetery

10.1 The thorn hedge and pile of rubbish have now been removed by Holly Landscapes. Clerk to contact Cllr. Slow regarding the planting of the new privet hedge.

10.2 Holly Landscapes had proposed a new 3 year fixed fee contract for the maintenance of the churchyard/cemetery for 2014, 15 & 16 based on a 2% increase on the current price of £1724.35 which would be £1758.84. All were in favour to accept this new contract.

10.3 The work to the 8 lime trees, mountain ash and ash tree will be completed in 6 weeks time by CGM.

10.4 Clerk to make enquiries regarding the black sacks of rubbish being left by the bin at the cemetery.

11. Norfolk County Council issues

11.1 Nothing further to report this month regarding the proposed new cycle path.

11.2 The Clerk and Cllr. Balls had a meeting with Ken Goodger of the UIDB and Graham Nunn to try and progress the installation of a culvert for F/P 7. After discussions, the Clerk has submitted the consent application form and fee to the Middle Level for their consideration and approval. Mr. Goodger confirmed that the UIDB could provide the labour for the project but the cost of materials would be down to the Parish Council (pipes, headwalls and backfill, roughly 6 lorry loads – costs tba).

11.3 Rangers to be asked to push back the growth from the bank encroaching across the footpath along the A1122 from the bridge.

11.4 Letter from Norfolk Green regarding their sale to Stagecoach Holdings plc was noted. Clerk to ascertain if this will affect the community transport service currently operating through Nordelph.

12. Planning

12.1 Notification from the Borough regarding the naming of the new development along the High Street was noted – 1-6 Church Cottages. Clerk to pass on the Parish Council's view that 'Trinity Terrace' would be their recommendation as the word 'Trinity' maintains a link to the Holy Trinity Church that once stood there and also its definition means 'a group of 3' which the houses have been built in.

12.2 Planning application 14/00042/F to be recommended approval, with all in favour, but to question whether there is to be an additional access or not and to note possible overlooking issues with the next-door neighbours with kitchen, sitting room & shower room windows. Cllr. Bushnell did not take part in any discussion of this application.

13. Council Affairs

13.1 Page for Agendas/Minutes via village website

13.1.1 The link from the village website to view the Parish Council's minutes and agendas is now available.

14. Finance

14.1 All payments for the month were approved.

- Emneth Design 69.99 Website update service/hosting fee
- Kate Bennett 7.44 Stamps
- Mr. Signs Ltd. 23.40 2 signs for the cemetery
- Holly Landscapes 510.00 Removal of thorn hedge & rubbish at cemetery

Cllr. Spikings, & Cllr. Pope left the meeting at 8.30pm.

Cllr. Bushnell left the meeting at 8.45pm.

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14.2 The budget for 2014/15 had been considered by the Clerk & Chairman with a couple of alterations to include a slight increase for *Salary Payments* and *Footway Lighting supply* (E.on). The budget figures were presented to council for their consideration and on a proposal from Cllr. Balls, seconded by Cllr. Gott with 5 in favour it was agreed to request a precept for 2014/15 of £6500.00 – to be made up of a grant from the BC of £830 and a further parish funding requirement of £5670.00.

14.3 The bank statements were viewed by Cllr. Gott & Cllr. Balls.

14.4 Clerk confirmed the bank balance as at 31.12.2013 was £15,302.86.

15. Correspondence

15.1 Correspondence for the month was noted.

16. Allotments

16.1 Clerk to make enquiries with Maxey Grounds & Co. to see if they are now able to assess how much land is available for possible rent as garden allotments.

17. Agenda items for the next meeting

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00pm.

The next meeting will be on Monday 10th March 2014 @ 7.00 pm.

Signed..... Date