

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HORSTEAD WITH STANNINGHALL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE TITHE BARN, RECTORY ROAD, ON WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE 2019**

Present:, Cllrs, Mr C Jones (Chair), Mrs C Fleming, Ms P Weightman, Mr A Browne, Mrs D Williams, Mrs M Gurney, Mr T Cain and Mr R Jennings

In Attendance: Suzanne Hall (Parish Clerk) and five members of the public.

Public Forum

- Cllr J Copplestone provided an overview of her current involvements – see report at end of these minutes.
- Cllr F Whymark provided an overview of his current involvements – see report at end of these minutes.
- A Parishioner expressed concerns about the difficulty of exiting Hall Lane onto the B1150 and asked if the speed limit could be reduced to 30MPH. Highways constraints were discussed. Mr Jones will raise the issue at the next SNAP meeting. The Parishioner was also advised to contact Jo Copplestone and Fran Whymark and to attend the SNAP meeting.
- It was agreed standing orders would be suspended to allow a Parishioner to talk about a planning application.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Mrs L Barrett, Mrs J Copplestone (BDC) and Mr F Whymark (NCC)

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Minutes of the Meeting of 15 May 2019

The minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting were

AGREED AND SIGNED

4. Planning

20190810 – The Retreat – Hall Lane –Extension and Change of use from Holiday let into dwelling – As per planning applications 20190236 & 20190304 discussed at the March 2019 meeting, there were no objections to the extension but the Council objects to the change of use to a dwelling as this is outside the settlement limit.

OBJECTION

20190843 – Longfield House – Alterations and extension

Standing Orders Suspended

A Parishioner sent a letter to the Parish Council, which was circulated, advising of their objections to this application. At the meeting the parishioner voiced their concerns about the size of the extension and what it might possibly be used for in future. They also raised ecological concerns on the impact to Hall Lane residents if the property were to be occupied by a greater number of people.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

It was noted that future use is not a current planning consideration – change of use would require new planning consent. It was agreed that the Council would submit comments requesting that a condition of consent be that it remain as a family residence and the ecological concerns raised in the parishioners letter be investigated.

COMMENTS

5. Parish Clerk and Chairman

- (1) End of year accounts – to note these are with the external auditors
- (2) It was AGREED the Parish Council would continue posting on the Community Facebook page rather than setting up one specifically for the Parish Council – the Community page is being well run and is getting a good following.
- (3) The Parish Council website needs to be replaced. The Councillors are to review the Coltishall Parish Council website as a starting point for thoughts.
- (4) It was AGREED to advertise for someone interested in PROW's to become a councillor.
- (5) Building a Community Spirit - Ideas for Village Events in 2020 - various ideas were discussed – A beacon lighting event to mark the 75th Anniversary of VE Day in May and a village fete in August will be pursued.
- (6) nPlaw – Subscription to legal services (Mr Browne) – as we can tap into legal advice from other sources it wasn't felt that this was currently required.
- (7) The Poors Land Trust would like to appoint two new Trustees, which would increase the number of trustees by one (John Neville recently passed away). The Parish Council have no objections to both named individuals becoming Trustees but ask that the Poors Land Trust check with the Charity Commission that the increase is allowable.

6. Finance

(1) Payments Received

None

(2) Payments for Approval

Oakfields Landscaping - Bench siting	£245.00
HAGS – Ariel runway inspection	£300.00
May litter picking	£45.00
Fixing kit for bin	£10.19
Target Trees – Fell ash dieback tree by Mill car park	£360.00
Proposed by Mr Jennings, seconded by Mrs Fleming and	APPROVED

(3) Payments for information only – previously agreed direct debits and standing orders	
Veolia - Bin Lifts in April collected 28/05/2019	£105.02
Payroll May 2019	£727.08

(4) Payments for authorising – Neighbourhood Plan	
Parker Planning meeting 17 April	£252.00

7. Highways and PROW

- (1) Pedestrian Survey – There were issues with the camera on the Saturday which was reported and fixed. We had been expecting a manual count rather than a camera, so potentially Highways are looking at the bigger picture rather than just the issue of people crossing the road. A letter of concern has been received by a resident which has been circulated. The clerk will respond.
- (2) Concerns have been raised about cars blocking access to the Rectory Road post box and gated access to the allotments. The Post Office have advised the post box cannot be moved to the corner of St Margaret's close as it will be too close to the one at the roundabout. Highways have advised that yellow lines etc are not an option. The Clerk will ask the Allotments to put a sign on the gates asking people not to block the allotment gate or the post box.
- (3) Highways have confirmed the trees by the Recruiting Sergeant wall will be removed and Highways will plant replacement trees. Mr Jones has asked them to hold fire on the re-planting as Mr Jennings has confirmed the Recruiting Sergeant are going to apply for commercial access to their side gate. Concerns about the empty beer barrels being left by the wall remain.
- (4) Highways have confirmed the puddle by the Tithe barn will be addressed. The footpath between Mill Road and Green Lane, FP7 will be cut in the next 2-3 weeks.
- (5) Mr Jones will ask Highways if the roundabout can be made more visible – repainted etc, and awareness signage leading up to it increased.

8. Pond & Trees

- Potentially an experienced tree warden may be moving into the village.
- To note that Flint cottage is up for sale and correspondence has been received from potential buyers about planning constraints.
- A request has been received from the Poors Land Trust to place a bench at the pond to commemorate John Neville for all the work he has done on behalf of the village. The Parish Council AGREED to this request but asked that they be consulted on the bench and where it was to be placed.

9. Horstead Mill

- The majority of this phase of work has been completed. The contractors will return in two weeks, or when water levels have gone down, to complete the job. It was agreed that the work is looking impressive.
- The summer litter picker has a broken arm but would like to continue litter picking. It was agreed a trolley bag would be purchased.
- The Clerk and Mr Jones to check that the ash dieback tree has been felled.

10. Playing Field

- Weekly inspections are being carried out by Mr Jones.
- A tyre has been used to knock the bird spikes off the big swing.
- The new litter bin should be delivered to the clerk next week.

11. Speedwatch and SAM2

- There was no Speedwatch report.
- The SAM2 is currently in Coltishall and will remain there for the next 6 weeks.

12. Neighbourhood Plan

No meeting was held in May. Ms Weightman reported that the next steps will be for the plan to go onto 'social media'. The report will also be sent to Richard Squires for a preliminary look. It is expected that it will be ready for a first vote by the end of the year.

13. Police report

Reports circulated

14. Training, meetings and consultations

Events attended:

PROW training – 24 May – AB

Parish Paths Seminar – 29 May – AB & CJ – Presentations circulated ahead of meeting

Horstead Centre Anniversary – 1 June – DW,CF & CJ

Upcoming events:

Broads Authority Parish Forum – 17 June - CJ

Tarmac Open Day – 21 July – 1-4pm – 2 walking tours – will advertise on Facebook nearer the time

Tarmac liaison – 8 November – CJ & MG

15. Items for the Next Agenda

Standing items for monthly meeting.

16. Date and Time of the Next Meeting

Parish council meeting: Wednesday 10 July 2019 at 6pm in the Main Hall of the Tithe Barn, Rectory Road.

News from Broadland District Council – Jo Copplestone

North Norfolk District Council is in consultation about their draft local plan, the council has identified North Walsham as 'the town can accommodate a high level of growth' with 23% of all housing growth in the district is set to take place there.

350 homes are proposed for Norwich Road & Nursery Drive, as well as an 1800 home western extension, and if this proposed scheme goes ahead this could significantly increase traffic volumes felt on the arterial routes into Norwich, as new residents will likely use the B1150 for both commuting and leisure purposes. Currently North Norfolk District Councils plan refers to traffic in relation to the town of North Walsham but not more strategically, and it is important that this is identified as a problem.

I have asked the Director of Place at Broadland District Council to respond to the first draft of the local plan, highlighting the problems of already heavy traffic in Coltishall and the need for a relief road. If you would like to make a representation to North Norfolk District Council please contact their planning department planning@north-norfolk.gov.uk or telephone 01263 513811.

A motion on climate change was brought to Council at the end of April in line with the Governments pledge to embed an 'environmental net gain' principle, which introduces higher environmental standards for new builds, and 'greening' of our towns & cities by planting a million urban trees and creating green infrastructure. Our council agrees to make sure resources are used more efficiently, by minimising waste, tackling air pollution and leading by example on climate change, working to achieve long term sustainable economic growth from low carbon and green industries across Broadland.

If you have any questions relating to these matters, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Jo Copplestone

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Report from your County Councillor – Fran Whymark

I have now been in post for about two months now and starting to find my way round County Hall. I attended my first meeting of the People and Communities Select Committee recently. This Committee will look at services for children and adults but also services that contribute to our residents' wellbeing. Public Health, Children's and Adult Services have been working together to devise a Prevention Strategy. Over the last few years it has been identified by government that prevention and early intervention to improve people's wellbeing, general health and longevity is critical. Not only is this good for all of us but it could generate significant savings with initial research estimating that for every £1 spent £14 could be saved. This Strategy is still being developed by the three departments for Norfolk and they will return to the Committee with more detailed plans in November.

Norfolk County Council (NCC) are investing £30 Million in Housing with Care. It is estimated that by 2028 there will be nearly 40,000 people over 65 in Broadland and 261,000 in Norfolk. Nearly 500 people in Broadland and nearly 3000 people across Norfolk will need Housing with Care by 2028.

As I told you last time I am now the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Wellbeing at Broadland District Council. It is my intention to work across the District and County to improve people's life chances. I will be the Chairman of the Wellbeing Panel where we will look to enhance and improve people's quality of life across Broadland. I will represent Broadland on the North Norfolk Clinical Commissioning Group and the Health and Wellbeing Board, where I will have the opportunity to challenge and question the health services which the NHS provide for you.

As part of my portfolio I will be managing the Norfolk Warm Homes Fund. This will give vulnerable residents and those on a low income the opportunity to access energy advice, grants and support. There is also funding towards the cost of installing first time central heating in privately rented or owned homes.

This week is Creativity and Wellbeing Week in Norfolk. There will be over 75 events across the County for all ages. Including: open days, craft and printmaking taster sessions, film and theatre performances, singing workshops, stitching and writing for wellbeing, exhibitions, talks, professional development sessions and more.

You may be aware that repairs started on Monday (10th June) to the carriageway and curbs on the Broadland Northway (NDR). This will total £150,000 worth of repairs.

Finally, I would like to inform you that I will be the County representative on the Broads Authority from next month. Horstead, like much of the Wroxham Division, needs to work with the Broads Authority to preserve its scenic waterways, rare wildlife and rich history. I understand that historically the Broads Authority may have had some difficulties. Please talk to me or email me if you have any specific concerns about the Broads Authority which I will raise with the relevant people.

Regards

Fran Wymark