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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BEETLEY VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 2 JUNE 2016 AT 7.30 P.M.

Present

Councillor J Baldwin (Chair)
Councillor J O'Donovan
Councillor A Leigh
Councillor R Richmond
Councillor M Rose
Councillor T Turner

County Councillor M Kiddle Morris
District Councillor R Duffield
District Councillor R Richmond

In the part open to the public a developer explained that he had purchased land to develop a holiday lodge park. He intends to increase the site to 19 lodges, some of which are to be sold, and wanted the approval of the Parish Council for the expansion.

It was explained to the landowner that the Parish Council had objected in the past and would not give him any decision until such time as a planning application was received

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Mayhew who was working away and these were accepted.

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

There were no DPIs.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

Councillor Rose proposed and Councillor O'Donovan seconded the resolution that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2016 having been circulated be approved. All were in favour and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

4. County and District Councillors Reports.

The County Councillor reported that devolution has not been split into two with an elected Mayor for both. All Councils are to ratify the constitution in July. A consultation will then take place and if this is not sent out then the Councils will not take part in the devolution. In October Norfolk County Council must decide if to sign up.

Councillor Rose queried the contents of the Queen's Speech when all have a legal right to faster broadband. This has not been made law yet and has not filtered down to Norfolk County Council. Nothing is yet known about the cost or how it will be achieved.

District Councillor Richmond stated that devolution still does not make sense. There is a briefing for members on the Local Plan the following Friday. District Councillor Duffield reported that he gets e-mails daily on devolution and this will be presented to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee the following Thursday.

5. Matters to Report.

5.1 Pavilion.

No prices have yet been received and the contractor is looking into a possible problem with asbestos in the tiles on the floor.

5.2 SNAP Meeting.

Councillor Richmond reported that the police had been informed about the lack of action following the submission of the SAM2 data. Swaffham police which covers this area had been informed and should contact the Clerk. There has been a problem through social media between Dereham and Great Yarmouth which has resulted in fighting and there is a worry that this might disrupt the carnival. The problem of speeding everywhere was noted and will be taken up as an action.

5.3 Moles.

Three moles had been removed and the area will be monitored as there may be a re-occurrence of the problem.

5.4 Bus services.

Councillor Rose had distributed a flier in Old Beetley to state that the bus will collect at The Patch at 0955 and take to Elmham Road to connect with the 21 bus at 1016. The 21 will return from Dereham at 1235 and the minibus will collect at 1245 and return to old Beetley. This will commence on 10 June

Councillor Leigh reported that the details for East Bilney is in the Beetley Buzz which will commence on 21 June.

5.5 Total Transport Steering Group.

The Clerk has been asked to represent small Community Car Schemes on this but at present has little details on the proposed extension of local schemes.

5.6 Tree on Elmham Road.

The Clerk had received an e-mail regarding the felling of a tree on Elmham Road. According to the Clerk's records there is no TPO on this tree and as such the landowner can fell it. He suggested that the complainant contact the Tree officer at Breckland Council.

5.7 Dereham and Fakenham Times.

Councillor Richmond reported that he had many good comments about the extract being in the Dereham and Fakenham Times. He also reported that the newsletter is well read at East Bilney garage.

6. Planning.

6.1 Applications.

There were no applications to consider.

6.2 Decisions.

There were no decisions to report.

6.3 Enforcement.

The Clerk reported that Breckland Council is investigating any breach of planning at the Travellers site on School Road

7. Highways and Transport.

7.1 Report on Highways Matters.

The Clerk reported that he does not now receive a report on the visit of the Rangers. The County Councillor has looked into this and there is now a new way of reporting but he is stressing that parishes should be informed if they have been in the parish and the work undertaken.

The Clerk had reported the verge at the junctions of Hall Road and Sorrel Lane with the B1110, no GIVE WAY sign on Sorrel lane at Chapel Lane, and the surface of the road at the junction of Rawhall Lane and B1146. The data from SAM2 sign on High House Road had been forwarded and the Safety Camera Partnership Team had erected a camera.

Nothing had been received from the Highways Engineer regarding a possible footbridge at

East Bilney. The overgrowing hedge at the north end of East Bilney had also been reported.

7.2 New problems.

A Parishioner had contacted the Clerk regarding a significant increase in dog poo along Elmham Road and if there could be a new dog bin on Elmham Road. The clerk had contacted the Dog Warden who had not had any complaints but will arrange some visits. It was agreed to highlight this in the Beetley Buzz. A request will be made to cut the verge at Corner nurseries. The Chairman will contact East Bilney garage to cut back the growth around the Road Narrows sign.

7.3 Footpaths.

The Clerk will contact the landowner regarding the footpath FP14 from High House Road to Chapel Lane and FP10 from Field Lane to School Road to have these cleared. FP11 at the rear of the church in Old Beetley had been reported and cut back. The state of FP6 on East Bilney had again been reported and the erection of a fence. The broken finger post at FP10 had also been reported.

7.4 20m.p.h. Speed Limit at Elmham Road/ Fakenham Road Crossroads.

The County Councillor has not had a response regarding a modification to the sign.

7.5 Speedwatch.

A resident of East Bilney is trying to get a team up to monitor in East Bilney and George Hayes had been contacted A flier will be delivered to all residences in East Bilney..

8. Beetley River Meadows.

8.1 Report.

Councillor Rose asked the Chairman if the Play Area Routine Inspection had been sent to the Clerk. The Chairman gave the Clerk the form but it was stressed that this should be sent immediately after the inspection. Councillor Leigh reported that the new signs had been fitted. The non-closing gate had been adjusted and the issue of dogs in the play area is to be highlighted in the Beetley Buzz.

9. Open Spaces.

9.1 Problems.

No problems were reported.

10.2 East Bilney Town Lands.

A price had been received from a parishioner but the meeting with Norfolk Woods and Hedges had not taken place as he did not turn up.

Councillor Rose proposed and Councillor Leigh seconded the resolution that the quotation from Ady's Wood Splitting Services for £180 be accepted. All were in favour.

10. Finance.

10.1 Budgets.

The budget sheets and financial information had been circulated and Councillor Richmond proposed and Councillor Rose seconded the resolution that these be approved. All were in favour.

10.2 Insurance 2016-2017.

Councillor Leigh proposed and Councillor O'Donovan seconded the resolution that a three year Long Term Agreement be taken out with Ecclesiastical Charity and Community insurance at a cost of £649.93 which is less than paid last year and IPT has increased from 6 to 9.5%. All were in favour.

10.3 Balances and Cheques for Authorisation.

Councillor Richmond proposed and Councillor Rose seconded the resolution that the

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balances and cheques for authorisation be approved. All were in favour.

Balances

Bank of Ireland Treasurer's Account.

Balance at 30 04 16	26415.71
Less unrepresented cheques authorised 03 03 16-2800.00	
unrepresented cheques authorised 12 05 16-1071.58	<u>3871.58</u>
Balance at 12 05 16	22544.12
Float for Community Car co-ordinator	<u>200.00</u>
Balance at 12 05 16	22744.12

Amount available for Section 137 : 1148 x £7.42 = £8518.16

Spend to Date : £0.00

Cheques for authorisation:

692	B J Leigh	Contract May 441.00 less PAYE 78.40	362.60
693	HMRC	PAYE May	78.40
694	Mrs A Leigh	Community Car May	193.75
695	Eastern Office Equipment	Stationery	14.95
696	Mrs Susanne Rutter	Internal Audit	24.00
697	Steward Safety Supplies	Signs for Beetley River Meadows play Area	71.71
698	Beetley Common Advisory Committee	Donation	200.00
699	Mrs A Leigh	Additional Float for Community car	50.00
700	Came & Company	Insurance	649.93
701	Norse Eastern Ltd	Grass cutting	952.82

10.4 Annual Governance Statement.

Councillor Rose proposed and Councillor Turner seconded the resolution that the Annual Governance Statement which had been circulated be approved. All were in favour and the Statement was duly signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

10.5 Accounting Statement for 2015-2016.

Councillor O'Donovan proposed and Councillor Richmond seconded the resolution that the Accounting Statement which had been circulated be approved. All were in favour and the Statement was duly signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer.

11. Correspondence received for circulation.

The following correspondence would be circulated.

11.1 Signpost Spring 2016.

12. Matters for the Next Meeting.

12.1 Redundant Woad Centre Signs.

12.2 Clerk's Salary.

14. Date of the next Parish Council Meeting.

This was confirmed as Thursday 6 July 2016 at 7.30p.m. to be held at Beetley and East Bilney Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 21.05 hours.