

WENDLING PARISH COUNCIL
 MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 29TH NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7
 P.M. IN THE METHODIST CHURCH

Present: Cllr S Warwick (Chairman), Cllr C Foster, Cllr M Olley, Cllr S Knight and Cllr S Hughes-Wade (late arrival)

Others Present: 3 Electors, Dist. Cllr Robert Richmond, Dist. and County Cllr Mark Kiddle-Morris

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence

The Chairman, Cllr Warwick, welcomed those present to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr A Jenness and these were accepted. Apologies for absence were also received from Cllr Richard Duffield.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

No Interests were declared.

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on September 27th 2018

The minutes had been circulated. Cllr Knight proposed the minutes of September 27th be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr Olley and carried.

4. To discuss any matters from the minutes of September (not on the agenda)

There were no matters arising.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

Cllr Kiddle-Morris reported that the Council Tax consultation is under way and closes on 20th December. Within the consultation is a proposed rise of 2.99%. Adult social care is going up by 2.99% and responses can be done on line. The Police have decided not to take over the Fire Service. The Commissioner is not going to stand again so his replacement may submit a new business case so the idea may be discussed again. Regarding the closure of the Children's Centres, only 4 are going to close. Although the Litcham one is closing, there will be better services in the school that is taking over the service. Government has given more money to Highways and over the summer most of the pot holes have been dealt with. There are temperature devices going on roads that will help to decide if a road needs gritting, so this will prevent unnecessary road gritting. £11m has been secured for Better Broadband. By 2020 95% of households in Norfolk should have the Faster Broadband.

Cllr Richmond reported that the lowest council tax in the County is still Breckland. There is a proposal of £4.95 rise for certain bands. Regarding planning, Carl Griffin is the point of contact now. There is a lot of conflict regarding Capita. The latest SNAP meeting took place last evening and it was reported that many drivers have been caught speeding. Priorities are dealing with drugs and cyclists using pavements in Dereham. Also there is a large amount of anti social behaviour in cars. In Norwich, cyclists are causing injury to pedestrians. The Police are trying to catch drivers using Mobile Phones. Three burglars have been caught that were carrying out burglaries from shed etc. over the summer.

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5. To discuss any necessary Correspondence

No correspondence received needed discussion.

6. To discuss any Planning Issues

3PL/2018/0937/F land north side of Swaffham Rd., removal of timber structure subject to enforcement case ENF/27/18/PAR. Construction of agricultural cattle shed & formation of access track across land. Planning permission has been granted.

3PL/2018/1299/O The Oaks, Carr Lane, residential development of 6 houses. The Parish Council thinks that in principle there will be problems with the access on this development and if it goes ahead it can foresee the problems continuing in the future. The Parish Council voted on this application and the result was that 4 Parish Councillors voted against it and 1 abstained.

7. To discuss Highways Matters

The new temporary road surface outside Spring Cottage now has tracks indented in it. If it freezes will get very slippery so Highways will need to be asked to try to deal with the problem.

8. To discuss the Parish Councillor vacancy problem

There is nothing to report as there is no progress with this situation.

9. To authorize financial payments

Cllr Warwick proposed the following necessary financial payments be authorized, seconded by Cllr Olley and carried:-

Clerk's gross salary for October & November £221.00 (Tax no longer necessary to be paid)

Glasdon U.K. Ltd. (litter bin) £210.96

Mr Nigel Phillips £223.00 (to site litter bin & old Village Sign)

10. To set the precept for 2019 - 2020

After some discussion, Cllr Warwick proposed the precept be set at £5,000.00, seconded by Cllr Knight and carried.

11. To discuss further the purchasing of a defibrillator

The Clerk had carried out some investigations regarding companies that supply defibrillators and costs but the subject of purchasing one and putting it on the Village Hall wall will have to be deferred. In principal the Parish Council wishes to buy a defibrillator for adults and children at a cost of £2,200.00 but it needs to be agreed by the Village Hall Committee. It will be an item for discussion at the January meeting.

12. To discuss further the idea of a Village Litter Pick

This idea will be reconsidered in the spring when the day is lighter for longer and the weather is better.

13. To discuss further the idea of a Bus Shelter light

The idea of a light in the bus shelter will not be supported by the Village Hall Committee and it is hoped that someone from the Parish Council can attend the next Village Hall Committee meeting.

14. To receive items for next agenda

To discuss further the purchasing of a defibrillator
To discuss further the idea of a Village Litter Pick

15. To set date, time and venue of January's meeting

The next meeting will take place on January 24th 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in Wendling Methodist Church.
The March meeting was set for Thursday 28th at 7.30 p.m. in Wendling Methodist Church and the
May meeting was set for Thursday 16th at 7.30 p.m. in Wendling Village Hall. This meeting will be
preceded at 7.00 p.m. by the Annual Parish meeting.

There being no other business to discuss, Cllr Warwick declared the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m. and
thanked everyone for attending.


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Chairman

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