

WENDLING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27TH SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 7.30
P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

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

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

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence

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

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

Cllr Foster declared a Personal Interest in item no 6, Planning.

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on July 26th 2018

The minutes had been circulated. Cllr Olley proposed the minutes of July 26th be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting, seconded by Cllr Knight and carried.

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

There were no matters arising.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

Cllr Kiddle-Morris reported that the Council Tax for next year is set in February but it is a long process. A 4% rise was set for next year and N.C.C. has been allowed to put 3% on for Adult Social Care. £95m has to be saved between now and 2021. It is an open ended book. Each year costs increase by £6m. That is why N.C.C. needs the 2% that the government has agreed as an increase. If this was London, the Boroughs have much more funding than Norfolk. There was some discussion regarding the 4 applications for Longham quarries. The most significant one is at Spread Oak and this might affect Wendling because of traffic. The application states it will start on one side and then the other. There is another quarry application on the Litcham Road in Beeston. Cllr Kiddle-Morris suggested the Parish Council looks at these 2 applications.

Cllr Duffield reported that Breckland has not had much activity in August. Councillors recently attended a meeting with William Nunn and e talked about the property portfolio and how Breckland was trying to make some more money.

Cllr Richmond stated that there are some more affordable houses becoming available in the villages. The support grants are no longer available from Central government. The regular S.N.A.P. meetings took place last night and the Police have caught the culprits that have been carrying out the burglaries from rural garden sheds. The Police are clamping down on speeders in Dereham and several have been caught. There was a brief discussion regarding Lanpro and the idea of a New Town Development.

Cllr Hughes-Wade mentioned an event that would be taking place on October 5th at The Fire Pit Camp. It will be a regular event of opening the bar on a Friday evening.



5. To discuss Correspondence

A letter had been received from Vattenfall stating they are getting the schedule of application documents sorted out.

A request for a donation letter had been received from the Citizens Advice Bureau. Cllr Foster proposed a £50.00 donation be sent, seconded by Cllr Warwick and carried.

The Clerks & Councils Direct magazine had been received and will be circulated.

6. To discuss any Planning Issues

3PL/2018/0662/F Ashness, Swaffham Road, demolition of existing bungalow and erection of detached dwelling and garage. The Parish Council had not objected to this planning application but no decision has yet been made.

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. The Parish Council has no objections to this application.

3PL/2018/0420/O The Oaks, Carr Lane, residential development (6 dwellings). This planning application has been refused.

7. To discuss Highways Matters

No particular problems were reported by those present. There is a lot of work going on at Honeypot Lane but it is not in the Parish of Wendling. Grange Road is being dealt with. Mr Ben Rayner has been replaced by Mr John Cotton at the Highways Department.

8. To discuss the Parish Councillor vacancy problem

It is an ongoing problem that will continue to be an agenda item.

9. To authorize financial payments

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

Clerk's net salary for August & September £176.80 HMRC tax for August & September £44.20
Citizens Advice Bureau donation £50.00

10. To finalise the subject of Internal Auditor for 2018 - 2019

SCS Accounting Solutions will carry out the audit for next year at the same cost as for this year, that being £100.00.

11. To discuss further the purchasing of a defibrillator

The Clerk had some information available from Heartstart and she will contact them for further information. Funding help would be available from Breckland under the Match Funding Scheme.

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

The Clerk had contacted Breckland about the equipment and it can be collected from Breckland to carry out a Litter Pick. Cllr Foster will supply the Clerk with a few dates.

13. To receive an update on the Litter Bin idea

The Clerk had investigated the idea of a litter bin and Breckland would not supply one, which was thought to be the case. If it was sited on Highways land it could be emptied. On the Glasdon site there is one for sale, which is post or wall mounted. It is £142.44, which includes the V.A.T. with free delivery. The Chairman asked his fellow Councillors to have a look at it and give their opinions.

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

A representative from Westcotec came to look at the proposal. A solar panel would be needed for a minimum of 6 hours, longer in the winter period. A good solar panel and battery pack would be needed and it would have to be vandal proof. The Local Authority would have to sanction it. The roof of the bus shelter would have to be strengthened. The batter pack for the solar panel would cost £1,860.00 and it would cost about £500.00 to strengthen the roof. Without the panel cost and any other costs, this already amounts to £2,360.00 so the Parish Council felt the cost was not viable. The idea was worth investigating but realistically it was not affordable.

Cllr Olley raised the idea of the Village Hall having a light to serve the purpose, but the light would go on a time switch and the Parish Council would contribute towards the cost of the Village hall electricity bill. Cllr Olley will investigate this further.

15. To adopt amended Standing Orders

Cllr Warwick proposed the amended Standing Orders be adopted, seconded by Cllr Knight and carried.

16. To receive items for next agenda

To discuss further the idea of a Bus Shelter light

17. To confirm date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on November 29th 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in Wendling Methodist Church

There being no other business to discuss, Cllr Warwick declared the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m. and thanked everyone for attending.



Chairman

29.11.18

Date