

GELDESTON PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 10th January 2018, GELDESTON Wherry Pub Function Room 7.30PM

Parish Councillors present: P. Dawnay (Chairman), A. Norman (Vice-chairwoman), L. Rowntree and I. Ansell

1. Chairman's Welcome

- a. The Council would like to thank the Wherry Pub, for the use of the function room.
- b. To receive apologies for absence. Apologies were recorded for Councillors Ashe and Keep
- c. To receive declarations of interest other than those registered with South Norfolk District Council. Cllr Ansell reported an interest in 5d and Cllr Rowntree reported an interest in 5g.
- d. 5 members of the public were present and County Councillor's Stone.

2. Minutes of last meeting

- a. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2017. The minutes were proposed as an accurate record. (Prop: AN; Sec: IA), all agreed.

3. Matters of report and action points

- a. To review an update on the request for volunteers for the standing speed watch and agree any action – a member of the public would like to take this forward. They are looking forward for more volunteers. The Norfolk Constabulary will provide the training, and Hi Vis jackets.
- b. To receive an update from Cllr Ashe regarding the football nets being under the control of the SNC and not GPC. Cllr Ashe has sent an email to SNC informing them of this, and awaiting response.
- c. To discuss the proposals for the playground being repaired and appoint a person to take responsibility for this project, and agree any more action – This will be carried over to the next meeting as the person who would like to take this on, was not at the meeting.
- d. To receive an update of the allotment agreements being sent out to the individual allotment renters – The agreement has not been sent out, the Clerk would like to add a privacy statement declaration with the agreement due to the forthcoming GDPR regulations.
- e. To receive an update on the letter to the Poor Trust regarding their concern over the future use of the playing field – The Clerk sourced the information from the Broads Authority and it appears that this is a possible local green space allocation in the new local plan. **Action TP** to notify the Poores Trust of this information.
- f. To receive an update on the removal of the filing cabinet and flood board from the village hall. – The filing cabinet has been delivered to the Clerk's house and the Flood board has been stored.

- g. To provide an approximation of timings for the archiving. – The Clerk would like to thank JO for the work that has already been done, also helping with the laptop. The Clerk will hopefully have the archiving completed by the end of the summer to take to the Norfolk records office. There may be some additional stationery needs.

4. **Chairperson's report:** The Chairman reported that there are still items on the Clumps that require removing. There are also issues of cars being parked on this area.

5. New issues

- a. Reports from the County Councillors: County Councillor Stone submitted her report at the beginning of the meeting, report is on the council's website. County Councillor's Stone left the meeting at 8.00pm.
- b. **The meeting will be adjourned for public participation (maximum 10 minutes) for items to be discussed on the Agenda only.** The meeting convened at 8.06pm for public participation. Member of the public expressed concern that there is no update on the development at Kell's Way, application is still 'Pending Decision'. The footpath closure was mentioned and will be discussed fully later on the agenda. A member of the public mentioned that there is a large pot hole in Locks Lane and it could be dangerous. **Action TP** To email the owner and request that they look at it. Re-convened at 8.16pm.

It was noted that if the public section has ran out of time that the council would note down their outstanding issues.

- c. To discuss and agree the budget and precept for 2018/19. – The finance working group met and have advised a 3% increase in the precept. This is due to the fact that there are now no composting credits. The Precept is £6,647 which included Council Grant £82 and Precept requirement £6,565. The Band D Charge is £41.55. (Prop: LR; Sec: IA) all agreed. The precept form was signed. The council is budgeting a small loss, therefore it is likely that the precept will go up next year.
- d. To discuss the email from a member of the public regarding flooding at corner of Big Row/Rowan Craft entrance. – Cllr Ansell reported that this has now been resolved, the ditch by the phone box has been unblocked. When the weather permits there will be some digger work.
- e. To discuss the need for speed limit restrictions on Old Yarmouth Road and agree any action. – Cllr M Stone reported earlier, Highways will be doing another review of the area. However they are guided by the National Speed Guidelines and Old Yarmouth Road is a 60mph, there is a possibility that they can look at the hedging and try to increase visibility.
- f. To discuss the email from Cllr Norman regarding the 'English Rivers Polluted by powerful insecticides and agree any action.
https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2017/dec/13/english-rivers-polluted-by-powerful-insecticides-first-tests-reveal?CMP=Share_AndroidApp_Gmail – Cllr Norman reported that they surveyed 23 different rivers in 2016. The River Waveney is the most heavily polluted. The problems are oil seed rape and the biggest contributor is the run off

from sugar beet. The chemicals last in the environment for a long time in the soil and water. These problems will affect everyone who enjoys the river. **Action AN** to write to the necessary agencies.

- g. To discuss the dangerous parking on the outside St Michael's Church and private area, and agree any action. – Cllr Rowntree reported that there are problems with cars parking at the church on the corner of the road, driveways etc. **Action LR** to contact PCC and the rector, requesting them to be more considerate with the parking when there is a function on.
- h. To discuss the Norfolk Playing Fields Association. – The annual subscription is £20 per year. There was an agreement not to join again this year. (Prop: PD; Sec: AN) all agreed.
- i. To discuss the Footpaths and receive an update from Cllr Norman regarding River Waveney Trust regarding repairs and agree any action. - Cllr Norman reported that the repairs to the footpath along the river wall are under the control of NCC footpaths, River Waveney Trust and the Ramblers Association. In order to complete the work we would need permission from the owners. Cllr Ansell has spoken to the land owners, they are would like the breach filled. The Council needs a 'leader' to lead this project.
The NCC has notified the Council of a public footpath closure from 22/1/18 to 22/7/18, affecting the footpath FP3 from 212 metres southeast of its joining with C588 Yarmouth Road south eastwards to its joining with Kells Way for a distance of 135 metres, to allow construction of new site entrance. Cllr Norman reported this to SNC and Highways, stating that this would be extremely dangerous to allow the pedestrians to walk along Old Yarmouth Road. There is now an agreement to redirect pedestrians through the old garage area and out of the front paths on the Kells Way. This agreement will be subject to the private land owners agreement.
- j. To provide an update on the Local Plan for the Broads Consultation. – The Cllrs reported that they went to the meeting and there was nothing regarding Geldeston.
- k. Issues from Councillors (for information only) -none
- l. Clerk's report (for information only) – Update on GDPR, replacing the Data Protection Act. Existing policies will need to be amended. It is ultimately the responsibility of the Council, as the Data Controller, to ensure that things are done correctly. The Data Controller must appoint a Data Protection Officer, this will need to be someone who is familiar with the workings of the Council as well as GDPR.

6. Finance

- a. To approve invoices for payment.

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| Anglian Water | Playing field meter read | 101040 | 18.71 | |
| South Norfolk Council | Annual Dog bin charge | 101041 | 360.00 | And to agree any |
| Tina Page | Mileage reimbursement | 101042 | 33.75 | |
| SLCC | CiLCA Registration | 101043 | 250.00 | |
| HMRC | NI/TAX Dec | 101044 | 39.80 | |
| Tina Page | Salary January | SO | 176.44 | |

additional payments by the meeting date. – none

(Prop: IA; Sec: AN) all in agreement.

- b. Bank balances to 14th December 2017
Community Account £18,301.21
Business Premium £ 6,294.29

7. Updates from village committees & groups

- a. Village Hall Management Trustees. – The renovation is well underway and following the timetable. The roof to be stripped and re-installed. Cllr Dawnay noted that Keith and Loraine have done a sterling job, providing paperwork for the funding.
- b. GREEN project. – They will continue to do their work next season, any further suggestions for improvements are always welcome. There are currently 8 allotment holders and the council has space for 4 more.
- c. Footpath Group.

8. Planning applications and other planning matters

- a. South Norfolk District Council.

2017/2688 Discharge of Condition 5 of planning 2017/0224 existing and proposed site levels. Garage Site Off Kells Walk Geldeston. - This has already been approved, prior to the council consultation.

2017/2816 Change of use from residential annexe to residential letting property. Annexe a Green Farm Yarmouth Road, Geldeston. – This would mean another entrance onto Yarmouth Road. The Council would recommend objection to this application due to there being a new entrance on Yarmouth Road (Prop: AN; Sec: PD) all in agreement.

BA/2017/0435/COND Variation of Condition 2: approved plans, and removal of condition 3: landscaping. Three Rivers Camp Site, Station Road, Geldeston. – The Council discussed this application and there were no general objections. Recommended (Prop: IA; Sec: PD) all in agreement.

- b. **Update on previous applications. SNC updates**

2017/0219, amendment to Erection of 13 residential units C3 Kells Way. – [await decision](#)

2017/2198 Chalet Bungalow, double garage and new vehicular entrance (revised) - [Withdrawn](#)

2017/2626 2A The Street, trees works – [no objection](#)

9. Correspondence

- a. To note correspondence sent and received. noted

10. Date of next parish meeting: Wednesday 14th March 2018 at 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed:

(Chairman) 14th March 2018