

GELDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the
Parish Council,
held on Wednesday
14th November 2018, Village Hall
GELDESTON 7.30PM



Parish Councillors present: P. Dawnay (Chairman), L. Rowntree, L. Keep and I. Ansell.

1. Chairman's Welcome

- a. To receive apologies for absence. - Cllrs AN; RA.
- b. To receive declarations of interest other than those registered with South Norfolk District Council. – None.
- c. 4 members of the public were present.

2. Minutes of last meeting

- a. To approve minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2018. The minutes were proposed as an accurate record. (Prop: LK; Sec: LR), 3 in agreement, 1 abstained.

3. Matters of report and action points

- a. To discuss the damage to Heath Road caused by beet lorries and the disabled parking bay in Kells Way: The Clerk reported that she had chased this again on 5th November, still ongoing.
- b. To receive an update on the blocked drain by the village hall and agree any action: The drain has been reported as being cleared.
- c. To receive an update on the Councillor vacancy and agree a way forward for advertising: It was noted that we can still co-opt the vacancy on the run up to the elections.
- d. Update on the speed awareness machine, the siting and moving of the devices and agree any action: It was agreed to have a SAM2 machine. Data collected, spare battery, spending a maximum of £3500 + VAT. (Prop: PD; Sec: LK), all in agreement. Westcotec, will come and advise on device and locations, before applying for a parish partnership. The funding expires 7th December 2018 for 2019/2020.
- e. Update on the standing orders, agree and adopt them: The Clerk reported that she had reverted back to 2016 standing orders, with some adjustments. (Prop: IA; Sec: LK) all in agreement. **Action Clerk** to update the website.

4. Chairman's report: none reported

5. New issues

- a. Reports from the County Councillors: Councillor Billig sent her apologies.

- b. **The meeting will be adjourned for public participation (maximum 10 minutes) for items to be discussed on the Agenda only.** A members of the public reported the following:
 The water bill for the allotments were discussed. The Council does not have the water bill yet, so we cannot confirm whether we will charge for the water usage.
 There was a request for Speed Watch to add an additional speed watch point further down Station Road by Locks Inn. However, speed is not a problem at the moment, due to Locks Inn being closed.
 There was been a complaint about shooting on the marshes, at 6am on a Saturday. It was agreed to write a letter to the council, outlining the noise concerns. **Action Clerk** to draft a letter to the farmer. **Action IA** to source the timescales for noise disturbance.
 Green Project – we need to renew the allotment signs. A member of the public has volunteered to undertake this task.
 There has been complaints about the cars parking in Little Row and The Street. Cars are parked with two wheels on the path. In the past the council have put notices on the car window screens. **Action Clerk** to add this to the article for the Tidings.
 Layton’s Lane hedge needs cutting. **Action Clerk** to write to them and request this to be done.
- c. To discuss the ownership and repair of the war memorial and agree any action: After the first world war the church gave a piece of land to erect a memorial on, it cost £800 to build. The village was asked to donate to the cost. The memorial is in danger, it is leaning and may fall. It was agreed that the parish council would not take ownership or custodian due to the fact that it needs a lot of repair, renovation work done to it. There are funds that you can request a grant from: <http://www.warmemorials.org/grants/> list number 1441360. It was proposed to obtain quotes for the work and get some grant funding. **Action IA and Clerk** to provide the quotes.
- d. To discuss and agree the use of the village green for photos when the village hall is hired out: With the village hall getting used more, there could be an additional advantage for the village hall to be able to use the green. There may need to be additional mowing charges. **Action PD** to discuss this in detail with LL.
- e. To receive an update on the RoSPA report and agree any action: The councillors have not as yet read the report.
- f. To discuss the SLCC annual subscription for the Clerk. This has gone up from £65 to £89. The Council decided not to renew this, (Prop: PD; Sec: IA) all in agreement.
 Clinks Care Farm renew of yearly grass cutting charges. This will be increased by 7%. Agreed the accept the charges (Prop: PD; Sec: IA) all in agreement.
- g. Clerk’s report: Just to note that the Clerk will be going on election training 21st November 2018.

6. Finance

- a. To approve invoices for payment

30/09/2018	Staff	Salary September	SO	184.55
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09/10/2018	HMRC	NI and Tax (September)	DD	41.80
31/10/2018	Staff	Salary October	SO	184.55
09/11/2018	HMRC	NI and Tax (October)	DD	41.80
14/11/2018	RoSPA	Play equipment inspection	101073	84.00

And to agree any additional payments by the meeting date. No additional payments

(Prop: LR; Sec: LK) all in agreement

- b. Bank balances to 12th October 2018

Community Account	£12,498.77
Business Premium	£ 6,303.71
- c. To receive an update on the budget summary: No update.

7. Updates from village committees & groups

- a. Village Hall Management Trustees: No update provided. .
- b. GREEN project: It was reported that the signs needed to be replaced.
- c. Play Equipment: No update provided, The Clerk noted that we would be getting £5,948.55 from CiL.

8. Planning applications and other planning matters

- a. South Norfolk District Council. – None
- b. Broads Authority –
- c. Update on previous applications:
2018/2297 50 The Street, Geldeston NR34 0LB. Alterations to existing roof, extension and internal alterations to existing single storey dwelling: No objections.

9. Correspondence

- a. To note correspondence sent and received. Noted

Date of next parish meeting: Wednesday 9th January 2019, 7.30pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm

Signed: _____ (Chairman) 9th January 2019