

NEATISHEAD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Neatishead Parish Council Meeting held in the New Victory Hall on Thursday 14th April 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs D Church, N Fowle, C How, D Pritchard (chair), G Pritchard, P Ryall

Clerk: Sarah Hunt

8 members of the public were also present.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Palgrave Moore - absent.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th March 2016 were agreed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. PUBLIC SPEAKING

4.1 Cllr Bradnock informed the meeting that no feedback had been received with regard to the distribution of bus timetables. Noticeboard still needed. CLERK.

Devolution had been under consideration at County level – all three Counties need to agree, currently there is a sticking point over the election of a Mayor. In principle Norfolk County Council feel it is a good proposal. Information can be obtained by going to the Norfolk County Council webpage: www.norfolk.gov.uk and following the 'devolution' link.

A very quick timetable has been imposed by Central Government, the public consultation is anticipated between July and September – it is a very fluid situation currently.

Cllr Barbara McGoun sent apologies.

4.3 A question was received from the floor with regard to the Parish Council budget and increased precept and this was answered by the Responsible Financial Officer.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1 A response had been received from East of England Ambulance Service re: First Responders and blue light usage explaining that they did not think it suitable after consideration for volunteers to be using blue lights to respond as they should not be replacing an emergency service.

5.2 Affordable Housing – pre-planning consultation. The Clerk reported that a copy of the submission had not been received despite several requests. To consider a Freedom of Information request if necessary. CLERK

5.3 Village Sign. To be added to the Asset Register and Insurance at the higher rate. Proposed G Pritchard seconded C How. CLERK.

The owner of the land has advised that he is happy with the siting and access to the sign, and requires no payment.

6. CORRESPONDENCE.

Tabled:

Came and Company Spring Newsletter. NOTED.

Norfolk County Council – 50/50 partnership funding award letter. NOTED.

Attached/Previously circulated:

Barton Turf & Irstead Parish Council re: Queen's 90th Birthday medals. Noted. It was PROPOSED Cllr D Pritchard and seconded Cllr How that a note be put into the NIB inviting anyone with a child under the age of 11 who does not attend the Village School to apply direct to the Clerk for a medal. CLERK

Norfolk alc – Broadband Consultation. Councillors to respond individually.

NNDC – North Norfolk Information Services. Nearest services to Neatishead are: North Walsham, based in Portokabins at the NNDC Offices. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays 10 – 3pm. Drop in and by appointments for information, advice and assistance. Stalham, Food Bank, Stalham Baptist Church, Fridays 1.30 – 3pm. Drop in for advice or assistance.

Norfolk alc – Planning Changes. Cllr G Pritchard summarised the document for Councillors. There are proposed changes to the 2015 procedures nationally with a presumption in favour of developments. Planning

Mrs Sarah Hunt – Clerk to Neatishead Parish Council

Weavers Edge, Chequers Street, East Ruston, Norfolk. NR12 9LR

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will be split into two categories, 1. Planning in principle and 2. Detailed planning consent. Planning in principle will be deemed to be in place for anything contained within the local or neighbourhood plans, and brown field development with no further consultation.

Technical consent will be granted at local level – ie North Norfolk District Council, and can only be defeated on technical grounds. There is no consultation with Parish Council's at this stage.

It was AGREED by the meeting that Cllr Pritchard feed back concerns over lack of Parish input and consultation. Cllr G Pritchard to monitor housing changes and bring to meetings.

Planning legislation to be a monthly agenda item.

Norfolk Co Co. Notification of increased recycling rate to £55.23/tonne. The Clerk explained that with textiles the Parish is paid by the company taking them, with bottles they pay to have them removed – however NCC then pay an additional £55.23 per tonne to the Parish Council. This brings in much needed revenue to the Parish. Article for the NIB. CLERK

Norfolk Co. Co. Notification of planning all now being electronic. Noted.

NNDC – electronic planning notification. Noted.

7. **PLAYINGFIELD.**

Cllr Fowle updated the meeting on the playground upgrade. The consultation is now complete, and a presentation will be ready for the May meeting. May agenda. CLERK.

8. **PLANNING.**

Applications received for comment:

PF/16/0366 – The Field Cottage, King Street, Neatishead, NR12 8BW. Erection of side extension. No comment.

Decision Notices received:

PF/15/1882 – Ashgrove House, Irstead Road, Neatishead, NR12 8BJ. Erection of two storey extension to rear of dwelling. PERMITTED. Noted.

9. **FINANCIAL MATTERS.**

9.1 Receipts (March).

a) Recycling	£24.00
b) Transparency Grant	£200.00
c) Recycling	£15.00
d) Water	£20.00

Noted.

9.2 Payments:

a) Sarah Hunt – April. Chq 65659	£ 187.95
b) Inland Revenue. Chq 65660	£ 46.80
c) Viking Direct – stationary. Chq 65661	£ 93.47
d) Anglian Water Direct Debit	£ 71.76
e) Stalham and Smallburgh First Responders. Chq 656662	£ 100.00
f) S Hunt expenses – refreshments, postage. Chq 656663	£ 44.44
g) Indigo waste services. Chq 656664	£ 36.00
h) New Victory Hall. Chq 65665	£ 32.00
i) Norfolk Playingfield Association membership. Chq 65666	£ 20.00
j) Norfolk County Council – Staithe Entranceway. Chq 65667	£1,661.03

Payments PROPOSED Cllr Ryall, seconded Cllr Church and AGREED. Concerns were expressed over the Anglian Water sum, all invoices to be reviewed by Cllr G Pritchard. Next Meeting. CLERK

9.3 NOTED the VAT return submitted of £173.70.

10. **STAITHE.**

10.1 A meeting has taken place with regard to the possible installation of a canoe slip following a meeting with the Broads Authority. The slip would be at the end of the Staithe – and take the form of a dropped pontoon. There is space. Funding to be explored by Broads Authority so this is cost neutral to the Parish Council. This would not be used by any groups.

The installation of Electricity on the Staithe to be investigated to save generators running. Broads Authority.

There were concerns over the piling, replacement programme and ownership also to be explored by Broads Authority Personnel.

10.2 Update on entranceway. Cheque approved and to be sent, then work can be programmed.

11. ANNUAL PARISH MEETING.

11.1 Cllr D Pritchard reported that it was a very good meeting, although it could have been better attended by Parishioners. It did showcase though that Neatishead is a vibrant village, and as it is such a good opportunity to learn all that is going on hopefully more people will attend in future years. Better advertising with a clearer message of what the meeting was may help in future years. Not to be scheduled in the school holidays in 2017.

Cllr D Pritchard to put an article in the NIB. Cllr D Pritchard.

12. ADDITIONAL NOTICEBOARD.

Cllr D Church will complete the Highways forms for completion of permission.

13. ADMINISTRATION.

13.1 To consider attendance at NALC Spring Conference previously emailed. No one to attend.

14. PROPOSED BT CABINET FOR BROADBAND – VILLAGE CAR PARK.

Cllr G Pritchard reported that he had met with Open Reach and a representative from Norfolk County Council pursuant to the rolling out of faster Broadband. The box cannot go onto the Green, and the favoured place is the small area of rough ground to the right of the Access path alongside the Parish car park. This will stick out as far as the lamp currently does, however it will necessitate a road closure to install.

The current path width of 1.2 m will be maintained, and no digging will take place on the newly installed car park entrance. There will be a wayleave fee of around £750.00.

15. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA.

Anglian Water.

Planning legislation.

Playground Upgrade.

Staithe Car Park

Broads Authority

Exception Housing

Bus Stop Noticeboard

Cabinet for Broadband – an indication of speeds available.

The Annual Parish Council Meeting

Will be held in the New Victory Hall Neatishead on:-

Thursday 12th MAY 2016 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.49

Signed:

12th May 2016