

ALPINGTON WITH YELVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting

held on Monday 22 September 2014 at 7.30pm at Alington Village Hall

Present : Chris Black, John Lain, Jeremy McNulty, David Whitehead and Ivan Green

Also Present: Linda Gray (Clerk), Adrian Gunson, County Councillor and 17 members of the public.

This Meeting was quorate

Chris Black was elected by Councillors to Chair the meeting.

- 1. Apologies of absence** were received and accepted from Jack Taylor, Kevin Gotts and Sue Thomson.
- 2. Declaration of Business and Pecuniary Interest**
David Whitehead – Item 8 – Non pecuniary interest Nichols Road
Jeremy McNulty – Item 8 – Non pecuniary interest Church Meadow
- 3. Minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2014** were agreed to be a true record and duly signed by the Chair.
- 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**
Dog walker on the Garrick Field – Jack Taylor would update the Council at the next meeting.
Changes to the Definitive Footpath map – The matter was ongoing and no new information had been received.
Dog Bins – Jeremy McNulty confirmed his research regarding the printing of signs for dog fouling were cost prohibitive and the Council should install laminated signs.
- 5. Parishioners Questions and Reports from the County Councillor and District Councillor Sue Thomson, District Councillor sent a report the Clerk read out**
Glass Recycling in Green bins – Additional items will be accepted in the green bins from October 2014 including most plastic, Tetra paks and glass. A event will be held in Loddon on Friday 26 September. Residents must not put these items into the green bin until your collection from Wednesday 1st October onwards.
Adrian Gunson, County Councillor reported
Solar Farm – Very disappointed with the approval decision. The application had been requested to be called in by Eric Pickles.
Trowse Bypass – The requested 50mph speed limit had been delayed.
Hobart High School – GCSE results were good at 74% 5 A*-C
Chet River bank – Work to strengthen the river bank was complete.
Road Maintenance – Work to repair potholes and strengthen the edges of road had begun.
Northern Distributor Road – A public enquiry was underway
Norwich Southern bypass – Work to upgrade the Postwick hub had begun in light of the housing development planned.
Norfolk 'A' Road safety record – The injury statistics have increased for Cyclists and Motorbikes. No significant improvements had been made to these roads in 40yrs.
High Speed Broadband - Had been installed in the village and should be available from November 2014.
Bus Service – A resident reported the Saturday service was very disappointing with 90% of the time the bus not turning up. Adrian Gunson to look into and report back.
- 6. Correspondence**
Filming of Public Meetings – The Clerk read the guidance sent from Norfolk ALC. Members of the public and press were permitted to film or record meetings to which they were permitted access in a non-disruptive manner and only from the areas designated for by the public. No prior permission was required however the Chairman at the beginning of the meeting will ask if anyone present wishes to record the proceedings.
Planning – Withdrawal of site notices for householder applications. South Norfolk would no longer be posting site notices for householder applications, unless there was a statutory

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requirement to do so. The Parish Council would still be consulted on all applicable applications and the consultation of neighbours would continue.

7. Finance

Balance of accounts, Receipts Received, Payments to be made.

Date	Balances of Accounts	Amount	Totals
12.09.14	Savings	£4,421.98	
12.09.14	Current	£980.00	
	Total Balances		£5,401.98

Date	Receipts	Amount	Totals
28.07.14	Yelverton Football Club	£260.00	
08.09.14	Bank Interest	£0.69	
	Total Receipts		260.00

Date	Cheque No	Payable to	Amount	Totals
23.09.14	STO	L Gray Salary Standing Order	£202.20	
22.09.14	100724	Came and co	£601.59	
23.10.14	STO	L Gray Salary Standing Order	£202.20	
		Total Payments		£1,005.99

Councillors agreed the payment table and the cheque was signed.

Auditor- Jackie Clarke had been recommended to the Clerk. Councillors agreed for the Clerk to contact Jackie Clarke for more information.

Roadside Adopter Scheme – During the summer the Clerk had received the contract renewal for the scheme which she had completed and returned.

Par Barter from the Village Hall highlighted the damage the lorries emptying the glass bins was having on the Village Hall Car Park surface and recently a resident had fallen over due to the unevenness of the surface. She also questioned why the Parish Council were receiving the payment when the recycling plant was on Village Hall land. It was discussed and agreed that no one at the meeting knew when or why the adopter payment was transferred from the Village Hall to the Parish Council but the Clerk understood it was to support the cost of maintenance of the Play Area. The Village hall was requesting the payment be transferred back to them and they would request for the recycling plant to be removed. The Clerk had confirmation from the District Council that all recycling centres receiving these grants would be maintained for a year and then reviewed for removing in the future. There was another bottle bank at the Wheel of Fortune pub. Councillors agreed the item would be brought to the next meeting when the history of the payment could be researched.

Joint Insurance Policy Parish Council with the Village Hall – The Village Hall committee raised concerns regarding the premium split of the joint insurance agreement. The clerk had prepared some figures which were supplied to the Village Hall. The Clerk was requested to research the figures and how the element of risk and cover were split according to the premium.

District Councillor Grant – An application for £200.00 for the costs of relocating the play tower at the play area behind the Village Hall. The tower had been gifted to the Parish Council from Alpington Primary School and a working party of volunteers were undertaking the installation work. The outcome of the grant would be available at the next meeting. The Parish Council expressed their thanks to Sue Thomson who had helped with the application.

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8. Planning

The Clerk requested the planning application for Bella Vista to be returned she had contacted the Planning office who confirmed the Parish Council had been requested to give comments as a neighbouring parish only and the application related to Framingham Earl Parish.

2014/1405 18/07/14	Barns at Boundary Farm, Framingham Earl Road, Yelverton - Removal of condition 2 following 2011/1171/F to keep original barn design	Approve	Approved
2014/1594 18/08/14	Barns at Boundary Farm Framingham Earl Road Yelverton Alteration to barn 1 including re thatching main roof with roof lights, amend internal layout, restore lean to on south side and convert lean to on west side as garage. Alterations to roof and adjustment to walls to barn 2	Approve	Approved
2014/1684 1/09/14	Bella Vista Burgate Lane, Fram Earl Nch NR14 7PU Proposed new steel framed general purpose agricultural building to replace obsolete buildings.	TBA	
2014/1685 1/09/14	Bella Vista Burgate Lane Framingham Earl Norwich Proposed one and half storey side and rear extensions. Raising of brickwork to accommodate new 1st floor over existing dwelling and associated change of roof pitch together with external alterations	TBA	

Local Development Framework

The Local Plan documents had been submitted for independent examination. The Parish Council had been offered verbal representation at a scheduled meeting but had declined as the views and comments of Councillors had been included in the recent response. The last response requested certain traffic calming measures as a minimum in the Wheel Road area if South Norfolk were to continue to impose the 10 house development on the village.

Residents in Wheel Road confirmed that meetings and discussion with the developer Mr Wells were ongoing regarding issues. They highlighted concerns about parking in Wheel Road for 10 houses. The Parish Council confirmed any parking restrictions would be difficult to enforce, and they would continue to try to support residents if any problems were to occur.

9. Solar Farm Update Planning Committee Result

Councillors and residents were very disappointed the South Norfolk Planning Committee had approved the planning application from Lightsource. Sue Thomson's written report included the following. "South Norfolk had been advised not to issue the approval notices yet as there are representations to the Minister to call in this application. Documents had been forwarded to Eric Pickles via Richard Bacon's office and it was hoped the Minister would take the objections on board". The Parish Council had submitted the presentation read out at the planning Committee Meeting. It was highlighted that residents in Bramerton and Rockland from across the A146 were against the planning application as the site would be very visible from these Parishes.

The new under Secretary of State was Kris Hopkins who could be emailed on Kris.Hopkins.mp@parliament.uk also residents can also send comments to;

Karen Partridge, Planning Manager, National Planning Casework Unit, Department for Communication and Local Government, 5 St Philips Place, Colmore Row, Birmingham, B3 2PW

Community Benefit funding from Lightsource

The Community benefit had been substantially increased the day before the planning meeting. The Parish council had not discussed or agreed the amount offered with Lightsource or residents but when asked residents confirmed they were aware there had recently been a very substantial increase in the Community Benefit offer.

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10. Play Area Monthly Inspection

Kevin Gotts had completed the inspection but no new areas of attention were highlighted.

Installation of new equipment – The Play Tower kindly gifted by Alpington Primary School had been installed at the play area. A working party had added new timber and bolts but further work was required to bring the equipment in line with the latest play equipment safety guidelines and therefore at this moment in time the tower was closed. In the future a new play surface would need to be added. Kevin Gotts had contacted the local assessor to inspect the tower once it was completed. Kevin Gotts was requested to contact the Playgroup and install signs stopping the community using the equipment. Jeremy McNulty extended his grateful thanks on behalf of the Parish Council to Mike Hardesty and the working party for the work completed and the machinery that had been made available for use.

Play Bark Estimate – Councillors discussed the estimate but decided not to top up the play bark until spring.

11. Garrick Field - Monthly Inspection Report

John Lain had completed the inspection but no new areas of attention were highlighted.

Japanese Knotweed the treatment was ongoing.

Funding application for Yelverton Football Club

Members of the Football Team attended the meeting to discuss the application further. The Parish Council confirmed they wanted to support the application but needed to protect the village for the future and legal issues needed to be addressed and agreed.

Councillors and the Football team had a robust discussion and many areas of concern were covered. The Parish Council agreed the following statement with the team members. "Alpington with Yelverton Parish Council is pleased to confirm our in principle support for the Yelverton Football club application for funding for new changing room facilities. We will require legal formalities such as a lease etc, to be agreed and entered into. The Football club is a key part of our community and we are delighted to be working with them on this project"

12. Village Pond Maintenance Work - Monthly Inspection Report

No new areas of attention had been highlighted. The duck weed had not reappeared over the summer and the area was looking good.

13. Police – Speeding and parking issues

The parking lines had been repainted outside the school and issues of parking and speeding were ongoing.

Highway Ranger – The clerk had reported the areas identified by Councillors to the Highway Rangers.

14. Fuel Oil Bulk Buying Scheme

Kevin Gotts confirmed there were new members joining the group and savings were being made.

15. Other Matters for consideration for future agendas

16. Next Meeting to be held Monday 3 November 2014

The meeting closed at 9.35 pm

22 September 2014

03 November 2014

12 January 2015

23 February 2015

16 March 2015 APM

11 May 2015 **AGM**

6 July 2015