



## TIVETSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of Tivetshall Parish Council Meeting: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday 13 April, 2016, Tivetshall Village Hall

Present: Tony Jollans (Chair), Rita Land, Christopher Miller, Jo Cocks, Christopher Sadler, Dean Forbes

Lynn Jollans, (Clerk)

Cllr. Bev Spratt

2 members of the public.

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Martin Wilby and PCSO James Stables.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CONSIDER DISPENSATIONS

None.

#### 3. TO CONSIDER APPLICANTS FOR CO-OPTION

None.

#### 4. MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the March meeting were reviewed and approved.

4.2 There were no matters arising from the minutes:

#### 5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5.1 Cllr. Spratt reminded Council of the forthcoming election for Police Commissioner and suggested that voters press for a candidate who will help the parish.

He reported that the Northern Distributor Road is going ahead and will take 2 years.

Devolution talks are progressing slowly but he said that something should happen to bring more money to the area.

He informed Council that all schools are to become academies, including Tivetshall.

5.2

A parishioner thanked the Chair for the article on dog fouling in the recent Grapevine. He reported his conversation with an officer from Environmental Health who had been visiting the parish. She had told him that dogs were not permitted to foul any area of open space, the only exception being if the owner is blind or disabled. He had obtained posters, which he distributed to councillors to be displayed around both parishes.

He has been in contact with Karen O'Kane on the progress of fast broadband for the parish who informed him that the final survey will be taking place in July/ August and the build will be in November/December. Unfortunately some people will not benefit due to a stretch of old cable that BT refuses to replace.

A parishioner reported that the waste site at Morningthorpe is now only open Thursday through Sunday as she didn't want other parishioners to have a wasted trip. She believes that the reduced hours will lead to more fly tipping in the area.

## **6. CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair reported on a meeting he had at SNDC with officers from planning about their paperless system. They said that their system was designed to facilitate submission of planning applications and that, not enough consideration, perhaps, had been given to users wishing to view applications or download documents. They suggested a further meeting with their technical department.

He reported that Martin Wilby would be happy for the parish to use his annual grant towards buying a projector.

## **7. PLANNING.**

7.1 2015/0548 Barn at Thistledown Farm Station Road. Conversion to two bedded dwelling with new carport. After examining the plans and discussing Council agreed to recommend approval.

7.2 2015/0578 Owles Barn, Rectory Road. Amendment to planning application 2014/1373 Changes to plan and east elevation and addition of a detached garage. After examining the plans and discussing Council agreed to recommend approval.

## **8. TO DISCUSS THE PROVISION OF A BMX TRACK / SKATE PARK.**

The Chair reported that no other parishioners had come forward as yet to request the provision of this facility. Cllr. Cocks reported that her children use the track at Burston. The Clerk said that she would tell Mrs. Groves as this would be much closer for her son.

## **9. TO DISCUSS THE PROVISION OF A FURTHER DOG BIN**

The Clerk reported that she and the Chair had met with Dan Ledgerwood of SNDC. The site at the junction of Ram Lane and Tinker's Lane had been agreed and is going ahead. The site on Hall Road at the end of the footpath was more problematic as the only place where the bin would not be potentially damaged by farm equipment was outside of Highways control. After some discussion it was decided that a dog bin would be sited at the junction of Stony Road / Hall Road and Grove Road and a further one at the junction of Green Lane and Hall Road.

## **10. TO DISCUSS THE USE OF TINKER'S LANE BY SCHOOL BUSES**

The Clerk reported that she had received a further unhelpful response from Judith Powles at NCC, saying that she unable to give the name of the child picked up on Ram Lane. Three councillors live in Ram Lane and are sure there is no such child. Cllr. Spratt suggested that speaking to the drivers might get results, but the clerk has already spoken to one driver who was adamant that she was going to continue using this route.

## **11. TO DISCUSS THE PROBLEMS WITH LORRIES ON MOULTON ROAD AND STATION ROAD**

The Chair said he would arrange a meeting with Gary Day of the Maltings in the first instance.

## **12. TO DISCUSS THE PLAYING FIELD PROBLEMS**

12.1 The fence at the back of the village hall is now partially down and needs to be looked at urgently.

12.2 Cllr. Land reported that the swings on the metal swing set all need replacing. She suggested that they be removed until replacements are obtained. Clerk to contact Action Play and Leisure.

## **13. TO DISCUSS MEMBERSHIP OF NORFOLK ALC**

After some discussion it was decided to renew membership for the coming year.

#### 14. TO DISCUSS THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETINGS

It was decided to hold these on same day as the next Council meeting, at 7p.m., as in the past. A budget of £20 was agreed for the provision of refreshments.

#### 15. TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- 15.1 A parishioner had been in contact with the land owners of the two fields where maize was grown last year and not harvested, causing a severe rat problem in the area. The Clerk contacted a Community Protection Officer at SNDC, informing her of the location of the problem fields. Response will be forwarded to parishioner
- 15.2 SNDC will be celebrating the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Thursday 21 April and wished this to be publicised to parishioners.
- 15.3 Norfolk County Council informed Council that from 1 April all their planning applications will have electronic consultation, though paper plans can be obtained at a charge.
- 15.4 An update had been received following the meeting held on 26 February reporting that Norfolk ALC had not responded to a request for a meeting to clarify concerns.
- 15.5 SNDC is holding a consultation on a draft strategy for managing their non-commercial assets. <http://www.south-norfolk.gov.uk/consultations>
- 15.6 Archbishop Sancroft High School has sent a report for the Parish Meeting as there are pupils in the village.
- 15.7 South Norfolk Council sent a reminder that the Tour of Britain cycle race will be passing through the village on 15 June.
- 15.8 Came and Co (Insurance) has sent their spring newsletter.

#### 16. FINANCE

- 16.1 To receive the balance of accounts.  
The balance of accounts was presented. The Clerk reported that she had been to the bank and they had agreed to credit the account with £2 for the incorrectly input cheque number 200049 but hadn't done so to date.
- 16.2 The clerk reported on the end of year figures and significant variances and the 2015/16 accounts are now with the Internal Auditor.
- 16.3 The following payments were authorised
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| 16.3.1 | SNDC Dog Bins            | 227.30 |
| 16.3.2 | Primrose Press           | 164.00 |
| 16.3.3 | Norfolk ALC membership   | 135.56 |
| 16.3.4 | Community Action Norfolk | 20.00  |
| 16.3.5 | Community Car Scheme     | 48.40  |
- 16.4 The date for the exercise of voter's rights was set as 31 July.

#### 17. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

None.

#### 18. TO SET THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **8.00 p.m. on Wednesday 11 May 2016** preceded by the **Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00 p.m.**

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.50 P.M.