

The Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday the 8^h day of JANUARY 2018 at the Methodist Chapel, Bell Street – commencing 7.30 pm

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Mrs Batten, Messrs Cock, Cooper, Lambert, Leamon, Rayner and Storey, Mrs Arnold, Mrs Enefer-Harrison and Mrs McGeeney. Also present 5 members of the public and Squadron Leader Neild (arrived 7.50 pm).

APOLOGIES: Apologies received from Mrs Bane.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Mr Cock declared an interest in Planning.

MINUTES: Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read, agreed and duly signed by the Chairwoman.

PUBLIC SPEAKING: The meeting was suspended for 1 minute to allow members of the public to speak.

MATTERS ARISING

1. RAF Feltwell – Squadron Leader Neild said the level of flying had increased back to average as the 493rd Fighter Squadron had finished its tour. Personnel from RAF Honington and RAF Marham are expected to move into Trenchard Square in around 10 weeks time and at that point, RAF Honington will be the point of contact. Mr Lambert thanked Squadron Leader for any input he had in cutting the verge outside Trenchard Square. Squadron Leader departed the meeting at 7.54 pm.
2. SNT – Various Police Connect emails have been received, none relating to Feltwell.
3. Risk Assessment – Mr Cock carried out the inspection yesterday and said he had removed three items near the recycling bin. The downpipe on the Changing Rooms is broken on the side facing the teen shelter. Clerk to ask Handyman to repair. Mr Cock said the crack along the wall next to where the tree was felled is no worse. Mrs Bane to carry out next Playing Field inspection.
4. Balance Sheet – The December bank statement has not been received therefore no balance sheet was available.
5. Allotment Pest Control – Report received for December.
6. NALC – Weekly newsletters and updates have been circulated.
7. Skate Park – In Mrs Bane's absence, the Clerk reported that the fund was now £3,500 short of its £75,000 target and local companies are now being approached for the deficit. The annual additional insurance premium cover for the signs is £12.35. Canvas Spaces wish to have a site visit next week and the Clerk asked the Chair, Vice-Chair and another Parish Councillor to attend along with herself and Mrs Bane. Clerk to arrange.
8. Briefing sessions (i) Local Plan – Site Allocations & Development Management Policies Development Plan Document (ii) 5 year land supply – No further news.
9. Street Light Replacement – On behalf of Mrs Bane, the Clerk asked if the next phase of 11 street lights could be undertaken and if this was too many then perhaps the remaining four along Long Lane could be replaced. Mrs McGeeney proposed replacing 11 street lights, all against. Mr Lambert proposed replacing four street lights, Mr Cooper seconded, all in favour. Mrs Enefer-Harrison said additional street lights are needed along Munsons Lane as this road is very poorly lit.

MATTERS ARISING CONT.

10. Ranger Visit – Rangers are due in the village week this week.
11. Defibrillator/"Message in a Bottle Scheme" – Chair said she has had one request so far.
12. Website – Training date still tbc. Mr Rayner said the website is up and running and the address is www.feltwellparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk
13. Hedge Cutting – Orbit have confirmed that they will reinstate the thorn hedge.
14. Dog Bins – Licence has been received therefore Clerk will ask Handyman to install the dog bin.
15. Additional Post Boxes – Mr Cooper said the owner of the One Stop will contact the Clerk re planning for a post box outside his premises but so far the Clerk has had no contact. Mr Lambert suggested looking into costs of planning and a new post box etc. Clerk to make enquiries.
16. Breach of Planning – An acknowledgement has been received from the Borough Council.
17. Advertisement Signs – Signs have been removed from Oakfields, Clerk to ask Handyman to remove those remaining along Wilton Road.
18. Precept – Clerk said that the village running costs are approximately £30,000 a year. At the present time, it is likely that the Parish Council will bring forward £3000 from 2017-2018. As the Parish Council wishes to replace 30 street lights in 2018-19 (£6150) and purchase an SAM2 (£1750), Mr Edmund felt that the precept should be increased to £40,000 as the surplus is reducing each year. Mr Storey said that the precept should not be increased by large amounts but Mrs Batten said the village cannot run at a loss. Mr Lambert proposed raising the precept to £40,000, Mrs Enefer-Harrison seconded, all in favour. Clerk to complete necessary paperwork.
19. Paynes Lane Traffic – No response from NCC as yet.
20. Ratification of Allotment Management Committee and Garden Allotment Tenants Meeting and Matters Arising – Allotment Entrance: Mrs Batten said a tenant had kindly offered to fill the entrance with hogging and therefore this matter has now been sorted.
21. Brandon Bank Bridleways – Clerk had liaised with David Mills from NCC who advised that attempts to make contact with the landowner had not been successful. Mr Storey asked the Clerk to enquire who the landowner is so that the Parish Council can make direct contact. As representative for the Anchor Ward, Mrs Enefer-Harrison agreed to visit the resident who requested the Parish Council's input and talk to local residents about this bridleway. Clerk to forward on contact details to Mrs Enefer-Harrison.

CORRESPONDENCE

22. Norfolk Police Connect – Various emails received and circulated
23. Op Randall Rural Crime – Newsletters received and circulated as appropriate
24. Norfolk Constabulary – Email – Denton Parish Newsletter (circulated 12/12/17)
25. Norfolk County Council – Still time to apply for share of £4.5 million for rural Norfolk and North Suffolk projects; Norfolk Minerals Site Specific Allocations DPD: Single Issue Silica Sand Review - Notice of Adoption.
26. Festival Too – Email – Request for donations
27. Came & Company – Email – Christmas opening hours and emergency contact details

CORRESPONDENCE CONT.

28. Norfolk Accident Rescue Service (NARS) – Plea for funding to build a dedicated training centre
29. Brochures – Parish Magazine, Clerks & Councillors

30. **CHEQUES** – Were signed for the following – S Sargent £49.48, Cash £5.00, Methodist Church £14.88, HMRC (PAYE) £202.55, Viridor £126.36, RBL Poppy Appeal £50.00, Post Office (SSE – street lighting) £586.76, John Rolph £50.00. Standing orders paid to Mrs J Martin £813.19 and K&M Lighting £158.15, and direct debit to BT £48.76.

31. **PLANNING** – Feltwell Developments – Erection of 46 developments with associated garages and highway works at 10 Lodge Road – REFUSED for the following reasons:-

- It is over-intensive
- There is not enough social housing. Based on the ratio of 20% of the total number of dwellings, this should be 9 houses, not 8. Also a request should be made to build a portion of the social housing first so that if the development is not completed then some social housing will be available
- The parking for the Almshouses which was in the original SAMDP plan is not on the planning application and should be
- The bus shelter is to be moved and a new one will inevitably have to be purchased at the expense of the developer as agreed in emails to Intermodal and the Norfolk County Council, this is not in the application and needs to be protested
- The proposed access is too dangerous
- A pedestrian crossing/traffic lights for the school children using this bus shelter needs to be provided to make it safe for them to reach it;

Mr & Mrs Clements – Single storey rear extension to 12 Nightingale Lane – APPROVED; LP Pallet Quarry (Feltwell) Ltd – To vary condition 13 of planning permission no. C/2/1997/2024 to amend vehicular access to Feltwell Quarry, Lodge Road; Construction and use of new access to Feltwell Quarry (Part retrospective), Lodge Road – APPROVED; Mr M Martin - Single storey side and rear extension and render to existing bungalow, with existing driveway to be re-surfaced at ‘Sok-Osi’, 58 Wilton Road – APPROVED.

Email received from BCKLWN Planning Department inviting two Parish Councillors to attend a general update session on 5th and 6th March 2018 (RSVP by 16th February). Presentations will be given on the Local Plan update, street naming and numbering, and Neighbourhood Plans.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

32. Highways – Pothole at the junction of The Beck with Oak Street and another on Hythe Road.

33. Football Club Request – Request received from the Manager of the Junior team. As the team go up a format size next season, bigger goals are required. These won’t fit in the store area of the Changing Rooms therefore the Manager has put forward two possible solutions; either chaining the goals to the exterior wall of the Changing Rooms or placing a container on the field. Clerk to ask Manager to attend next meeting to discuss further.

34. Feltwell War Memorial – A request was received from Feltwell Fundraisers to display crocheted and knitted poppy heads on the War Memorial railings a week before the Remembrance Service. A sample was provided and shown to the meeting.

35. Grass Maintenance Contract – Clerk will circulate last year’s Grass Maintenance Specification to all Parish Councillors and any amendments should be advised at the next meeting. In the meantime, she will obtain quotations for the current specification due to time constraints.

Next meeting to be held on Monday 12th February 2018 at 7.30 pm.
Meeting declared closed 8.45 pm.