

The Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Monday the 9th day of APRIL 2018 at the Methodist Chapel, Bell Street – commencing 7.30 pm

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Mr Lambert (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Cock, Cooper, Leamon, Rayner and Storey (arrived 8.20 pm), Mrs Arnold, Mrs Bane, Mrs Enefer-Harrison and Mrs McGeeney. Also present 3 members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Apologies received from Mrs Batten.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None.

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

PUBLIC SPEAKING: The meeting was suspended for 2 minutes to allow members of the public to speak.

MATTERS ARISING

1. RAF Feltwell – Sq Leader Neild sent his apologies and therefore there was no report.
2. SNT – Various Police Connect emails have been received, none relating to Feltwell.
3. Risk Assessment – Mr Rayner carried out the report. He said two football goals had been left near the fence, Clerk to contact football manager. Graffiti needs removing from the teen shelter, the bench needs cleaning, the downpipe on the Changing Rooms needs repair and the tennis court needs a sweep. One of the ropes on the cantilever swing has been tied up to the top of it. Clerk to speak with Handyman about all these jobs. Mr Rayner said he felt the grass needed to be cut lower and the cuttings needed collecting but as this was only the first cut, it was decided to monitor this. Mr Lambert to carry out next Playing Field inspection.
4. Balance Sheet – Discrepancy is now £0.03 due to difference between standing order and K&M Lighting invoice. This should be rectified next month.
5. Allotment Pest Control – No report received as yet for March.
6. NALC – Weekly newsletters and updates have been circulated. Clerk advised subscription for 2018/19 has increased by 1.93% to £388.45 which includes a £30 cost to host the website. Mr Lambert felt NALC membership was very worthwhile as it provides a legal back-up to the Parish Council doing its job properly. Mr Cooper proposed renewing the subscription, Mr Cock seconded, all in favour.
7. Skate Park – Mrs Bane said the deficit of £800 has been met. She thanked Mrs Batten and her husband for helping her son George Bane take down the fence panels, and Mr Lambert and his son Andrew for breaking out the concrete on the posts. She confirmed that Canvas Spaces had taken ownership of the site in time to satisfy the terms of the various grants. The car park gate will be locked every night for site security by the contractors and Mrs Bane and the Clerk are locking the gate at the weekend. A notice has been put up to make people aware that the gate will be locked.
8. Briefing sessions (i) Local Plan – Site Allocations & Development Management Policies Development Plan Document (ii) 5 year land supply – No further news.

MATTERS ARISING CONT.

9. Street Light Replacement – Four new LED streetlights have been installed along Long Lane. As the balance brought forward from financial year ending 31/3/18 is £6408.97, Mrs Bane asked if the seven remaining street lights from the second phase could be replaced. Clerk confirmed price remains at £205 + VAT per lantern. Mrs Bane proposed replacing seven street lights, Mrs McGeeney seconded, all in favour. Street lights to be replaced are 2 x Old Methwold Road, 3 x Munsons Place, 1 x Munsons Lane and 1 x Shrub Hill. Clerk to organise. Mrs Enefer-Harrison said that more street lights are required along Munsons Lane but it was felt that existing lights should be replaced before new ones are purchased. During public speaking a resident said a lantern was damaged on Newcombe Drive and this had not been fixed. Clerk to contact K&M Lighting.
10. Ranger Visit – Clerk to request Rangers report from their visit w/c 2 April 2018.
11. Hedge Cutting – Clerk to chase Orbit who are in discussions with the resident regarding payment for reinstating the hedge.
12. Additional Post Boxes – Clerk reported that Royal Mail will be installing a new postbox outside the One Stop on High Street although this may take 16-18 weeks.
13. Paynes Lane Traffic – Clerk read out email from NCC Highways stating that they are unable to stop HGVs from using Paynes Lane. At present, they will not put in weight restrictions unless they form part of a new development or have been identified as necessary due to a high accident history which Paynes Lane does not have. The speeding is a Police issue. Clerk to inform resident who raised the initial request.
14. Brandon Bank Bridleways – Mr Mills said the landowner has agreed to carry out some of the works to reinstate the bridleway however a further meeting is to be arranged with the landowner to discuss other parts of the route. Clerk to inform resident who queried the overgrown bridleway.
15. Football Club Request – As yet the container has not been installed.
16. Grass Maintenance Contract – First cut has taken place and Mr Lambert said he is happy with the Churchyard. Mrs Enefer-Harrison said she was impressed with the overall grass cutting.
17. Parking Bell Street – Vehicles have been moved further down the street and the situation has improved considerably.
18. Review Financial Standing Orders – No amendments so these will remain the same. Mrs Bane proposed, Mr Cooper seconded, all in favour.
19. Highways – Clerk said Southery Road is programmed for ongoing repair work.
20. Mulberry Close - Clerk said the Borough Council has installed stakes but the residents were not happy, stating they were “unsightly and not fit for purpose”. It was felt that the residents should speak directly with Chris Durham at the Borough Council. Clerk to inform residents.
21. Dogs’ Mess – Clerk to ask Borough if a mobile camera can be put up by the school. Mrs Arnold said there is a lot of dog fouling on the grass around Oakfields. Clerk to enquire if official notices can be obtained from the Borough Council.

MATTERS ARISING CONT.

22. Allotment Walkabout: April – This was carried out by Mr Cock who said there was not a lot happening at present due to the wet weather. The boundary between his field and the allotment needs looking at as it is way out of line. Clerk read out request from tenant to have a polytunnel. Mr Cock said it is not a permanent structure and the Scouts already have one so a precedent has been set. Mr Cock proposed allowing the tenant to have a polytunnel, providing it is no bigger than 4m x 2m, Mr Cooper seconded, all in favour.

23. Royal British Legion – Mr Cock proposed the Parish Council pay for the three wreaths at a cost of £25 each. These will be laid at the cemeteries of Menin Gate, Thiepval and Tyne Cot during the Great Pilgrimage 90 by representatives from Feltwell RBL, Mrs McGeeney seconded, all in favour.

CORRESPONDENCE

24. Norfolk Police Connect – Various emails received and circulated

25. Op Randall Rural Crime – Newsletters received and circulated as appropriate

26. Norfolk Constabulary – Email – Denton Parish Newsletter; Invitation to meet Mark Cant, LPC Inspector to discuss policing update, future plans and obtain views on local policing priorities

27. Norfolk County Council – Various emails received and circulated

28. Forestry Commission East and East Midlands – Felling licence application for poplar at Little Ouse/Brandon Bank

29. West Norfolk Service Directory – Email - Early Help Bulletin and Networking Event

30. UKPN – Email – Spring Newsletter

31. 42F Kings Lynn Squadron Air Cadets – Email – Commemoration of 100 years of the RAF

32. Norfolk Age UK – Letter – Appeal for donations

33. Brochures – Parish Magazine

34. **CHEQUES** – Were signed for the following – J Martin £28.84, S Sargent £98.95, Cash £30.00, Methodist Church £14.25, HMRC £174.95, Viridor £147.77, Norfolk ALC £388.45, BCKLWN £576.58, Environment Agency £36.62, Westcotec £4113.60. Standing orders to Mrs J Martin £813.19 and K&M Lighting £158.11, and direct debit to BT £48.60.

35. **PLANNING** – No planning applications were received. Feltwell Developments – Erection of 46 developments with associated garages and highway works at 10 Lodge Road AMENDED – Clerk advised two bus stop relocation proposals put forward by Intermodal Transport, situated either side of Addison Close junction. Mr Lambert said clarification is needed as to whether a new bus shelter would be installed and whether the seat would be moved. It was felt the invitation to attend a site visit should be accepted. Clerk to arrange. Nothing further received re access, installation of pedestrian crossing/traffic lights, proper traffic survey or street light information.

Mr Storey arrived 8.15 pm.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

36. Highways – The whole junction of Long Lane/Short Beck needs attention as the recent water leak has caused further damage. Clerk to contact Highways.

37. Parish Partnership Scheme – Mr Rayner said the application for an SAM2 has been successful and this should be installed in three weeks time. The cost of the SAM2, 2 x posts, brackets and a data logger is £3428 + VAT, 50% of which will be paid for by the Scheme. The SAM2 will be rotated between Lodge Road, Paynes Lane, Wilton Road and The Beck on a four weekly basis and Mr Rayner said he would be happy to move it. Data collected is sent to the Police.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS CONT.

Mr Lambert thanked Mr Rayner for obtaining the SAM2 and for undertaking the responsibility of moving it.

38. Website – Clerk said an email had been received from Mr Garland stating that as the new website is now up and running, he would no longer be providing a Parish Council section on the Feltwell.net website although he would provide a link. A letter of thanks has been sent to him for his voluntary assistance with the previous website.

39. National Living Wage – Increases from £7.50 to £7.83 as of 1st April 2018. Clerk to inform litter collector.

40. Boundary Change – Mr Storey informed the meeting that The Independent Local Government Boundary Commission for England has published its final recommendations for new electoral arrangements for the BCKLWN following public consultation on its draft proposals and draws new boundaries for each council ward across King's Lynn & West Norfolk. All but four of King's Lynn & West Norfolk's current wards will change as a result of the review. The Denton ward will now be a one-seat Methwold ward and a two-seat Feltwell ward. If the recommendations are approved by Parliament, the new electoral arrangements will come into force at the local elections in 2019.

42. Oak Garden – Mrs Bane asked if shrubs or flowers could be planted on Oak Garden. To be discussed at the next meeting.

Next meeting to be held on Monday 14th May 2018. Annual Parish Meeting starts at 7.00 pm followed by the Annual Meeting of Parish Council. Accounts will be on show from 6.45 pm.

Meeting declared closed 8.38 pm.

On the 8/4/18, Planning was approved for Mr & Mrs Bebee for the demolition of existing single storey side extension and construction of a two storey side and rear extension at 17 Old Methwold Road by 7 Councillors. On the 4/5/18, Planning was approved for Mr P Halls for the construction of single storey side extension and single storey rear extension to garage at 57 Nightingale Lane by 6 Councillors.