

## **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on 16 October 2017.**

Present Cllrs W Brown (Chair), F Bradford, S Dickerson, C Farnham, S Faulkner, C Hewson, J Magrath, P Page.

Mr W Richmond (Norfolk County Council), Mrs L Turner (Breckland Council).

In attendance Mr N Hartley (Parish Clerk). Two members of the public.

### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Steward, who was on holiday.

### 2. Declarations of Interest

None.

### 3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 September 2017 were approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

### 4. Matters Arising

It was confirmed that Catrin Jones of Vattenfall will be making a presentation to the Council's November meeting.

### 5. Public Participation

The meeting was adjourned for Public Participation. Cllr Turner noted that Breckland Council is arranging for overgrown hedges and paths to be cut back on the Draytonhall Lane estate. Ownership of these is split between Breckland Council, Norfolk County Council and the developers.

Cllr Turner noted that the Internal Drainage Board is to take over responsibility for some of the main rivers in the area from the Environment Agency. There is a drop-in session at the Memorial Hall in Dereham from 2 to 7pm on 19 October regarding this.

Cllr Richmond noted that under his Members Budget he is arranging for the Washbridge footpath to be cut back and the drainage improved. He is also arranging for Slow signs to be painted on the road outside Scarning Primary School.

With regard to parking outside the school, the clerk was asked to put an item in the newsletter asking parents and others to be more considerate of other drivers when

getting in and out of their vehicles, to be considerate of residents in the vicinity when parking and not to park on the double yellow lines.

The clerk was asked to write to the school to see what can be included in the school's Travel Plan to improve the problems over parking. It was felt that with pupil numbers set to increase, the problems over parking will get worse.

The clerk was asked to request the hedge at the junction of Shipdham Lane and Dereham Road is cut back from the 40mph sign, and for the large shrub to be cut back in the same area that obscures visibility onto Dereham Road.

## 6. Finance

### a. Current balances:-

Barclays £17,337.09    Scottish Widows £6,897.49

### b. The Council resolved to approve the following payments:

Cq 101898 RBL Poppy Appeal, Remembrance Day wreath, £50  
101899 Thinking Rural, payroll services, £12  
101900 Viking, office supplies, £129.85  
101901 Eon, unmetered supplies, £155.35  
101902 N Hartley, reimbursement of part clerk phone/internet, £79.21  
101903 HMRC, PAYE from April to September 2017, £33.60  
101904 N Hartley, reimbursement of expenses, £127.55  
101905 Scottish Widows, transfer of funds to savings account, £12,000  
101906 David Bracey, play area inspection report, £120  
101907 Mansfield Fencing, repairs to play area and youth shelter, £30

### c. Payments received

Breckland Council, part precept, £16,000  
A Buckingham, rent of former Broadway Allotment site, £311.14

### d. The meeting received a report of Actual Expenditure to Budgeted Expenditure

## 7. Former Broadway Allotment

It was noted that Mr Buckingham has signed a new annual lease from 1 October 2017 to 30 September 2018.

## 8. Proposals for Parish Partnership Scheme

It was resolved to obtain costs to extend the TROD from Chestnut Road toward Draytonhall Lane and for a footpath to run from Mayfair to the junction of Shipdham

Lane.

#### 9. Scarning PCC Grant Application

It was resolved to make a grant to the PCC to cut the grass in Scarning churchyard - the amount to be determined at the Council's November meeting.

#### 10. Scarning Water Meadows

It was noted there is a meeting to determine how best to remove the crassula from the scrapes. It was resolved to discuss this matter at the next Parish Council meeting.

#### 11. First World War Centenary Commemorations

It was agreed that the Parish Council would like to commemorate the end of the First World War. It was resolved to discuss this in more detail at the next meeting. The Council will consider setting aside a sum in its Budget for next year.

#### 12. Planning

##### a. Breckland Council decisions

NR20 Developments, The Woodlands, Rushmeadow Road  
2017/0938/F  
New conservatory to partly constructed new dwelling  
Approved 3PL/

#### 13. Correspondence

The Council had been sent an outline of proposals to improve accommodation at Scarning Primary School. It was resolved to wait for the formal proposal to be put to the Council before responding.

#### 14. Items for Next Meeting

The Budget and setting of the Precept.

#### 15. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 20 November 2017 at 7pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.05pm.

