

Wreningham Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council
held in the Margaret Preston Room, Wreningham Village Hall on Tuesday 13 November at 7.30pm.

In Attendance: Cllr M Hill (Chairman), Cllr K Morris, Cllr H Gauthier, Cllr H Glaves, Cllr S Lidington

Parish Clerk Anne Rayner
District Councillor Phil Hardy
County Councillor Colin Foulger
26 members of the public

1 To consider apologies for absence – Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Moon.

2 To receive declarations of interest – None to declare.

3 Open Forum, including reports from District & County Councillors – District Councillor Hardy reported that planning application 2018 / 1658 is may be heard at planning committee in either December or January 2019.

County Councillor Foulger reported that the consultation for the Western Link road for Norwich will open soon. With regard to the Great Yarmouth third river crossing, bids were expected from three contractors, however, one has withdrawn due to successfully winning another contract. The contract is for two years, with an expected completion date of 2021.

The Chairman asked about any progress with the proposed substation at Swardeston. Councillor Foulger confirmed that it is unlikely that the Minister will make a decision until October or November 2019. Any construction traffic impact on the B1113 will not occur until at least 2020.

A member of the public gave a brief summary of the newly established Wreningham Heritage Group. Initial aims include establishing a website and undertaking an oral history project. It is hoped that some of the younger village residents will be included in talking to some of the elder residents, in order to record memories of the village. The group have requested a grant from the parish council of up to £1000 to cover the costs of training, website, hall hire etc. Councillors approved the grant, to be paid from CIL money, if possible, but are happy for the grant to stand if it cannot be paid from CIL.

4 To approve the minutes of the last meetings (11 September 2018) – The minutes were approved without alteration and signed as correct by the Chairman.

5 Administrative Issues

- **Policy Reviews – Phone box painting** – Approved, with some minor alterations.

6 Planning

- **Planning applications received**
 - **2018 / 2301– Land north of Wymondham Road – 3 dwellings with associated garaging, access drive and amenity** – The parish council objected to this application on the grounds of highways safety, concerns over flooding and drainage, the proposed properties are outside the development boundary and again are more

large, detached properties. Residents and the parish council feel the village needs smaller properties being made available for first time buyers and people wishing to stay in the village but downsize.

- **Planning information**

- **2018 / 1658 – Land adjacent to Village hall – Committee meeting and other information** – This application was discussed again at some length. Some of the points discussed were:

- It was noted that further changes to the application make it very different from the first iteration posted in June 2018.
 - Disappointment at the content of the application's supporting statement placed on SNC's planning portal, some of which is factually incorrect e.g that there are no plots available on other traveller sites.
 - It includes unsupported and negative assertions about the parishioners, the parish council and South Norfolk Council.
 - Residents feel SNC have let the application drag on and on with changes being drip fed by the applicant apparently designed to delay the procedure.
 - One resident strongly suggested that a complaint should be lodged with the Ombudsman over SNC's handling of this application. It was noted that the Ombudsman expects all other routes for complaint to be exhausted prior to it accepting a complaint for consideration.
 - SNC should validate the suggestion that the applicant is claiming traveller status, as residents do not believe that this is true.
 - The application continues to be vague and ill-defined. For example, the size of the concrete pads varies between the application details and the supporting statement details. This is extremely concerning.

The parish council agreed to continue to object to the application and also agreed that they would request that the application be heard at committee as soon as possible. The PC and residents consider a further delay to January is unacceptable.

- **GNLP – consultation on new sites** - The Chairman referred residents to the GNLP website and asked that individual parishioners register their comments accordingly.
 - **Planning decisions** – None.

7 Village Maintenance and Highways

- **Hall as "Pop up Library"** – No further information has been received regarding this. The clerk will contact NCC.
- **Playing field bin emptying** – South Norfolk Council will empty the bins at a cost of £4.29 per empty. The clerk will contact the parishioner who used to empty the bin for advice on the frequency required.
- **Grit bin** – The bin has been ordered and installation will be arranged in due course.
- **Village hall refurbishment** – The clerk is awaiting information regarding the costs of the refurbishment of the Margaret Preston room.

8 Finance

- **To receive the financial report** – The report, circulated prior to the meeting, was approved.

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- **To begin to consider budget setting information** – Each of the budget lines was assessed, with some aspects no longer needed being removed, an estimate made of remaining costs made and an allowance for solicitor's fees added in.
- **To approve the following payments:**

Chq no	Amount	Payee	Notes
100243	£ 407.05	A Rayner	Oct & Nov salary
100244	£ 18.99	G Prior	Reimbursement for wreath
100245	£ 519.50	Wren toddler group	Replacement cheque (grant)
100246	£ 1750.00	H L Perfitt	War memorial renovation
100247	£ 730.00	G Lake	Grass cutting 2018
100248	£ 72.00	Norfolk ALC	Training
100249	£ 243.39	Glasdon UK Ltd	Grit bin
100250	£ 282.00	EPS Ltd	Play equip repair
100251	£ 500.00	Upper Tas Valley PCC	Donation

9 Correspondence – None to report

10 Date of next meeting – 8 January 2019

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.40pm.