

Minutes of the meeting of Wreningham Parish Council  
held in the Margaret Preston Room, Wreningham Village Hall  
on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7:30pm

In attendance: Cllr M Hill (Chairman), Cllr S Lidington, Cllr J Lambourne, Cllr H Graves, Cllr J Moon

Parish Clerk Nicky Allen  
District Councillor Nigel Legg  
County Councillor Colin Foulger  
13 members of the public

**1 To consider apologies for absence** - Apology received and accepted from Keith Morris.

**2 To receive declarations of interest** – none reported

### **3 Open Forum**

Wreningham Heritage Group have put in lottery funding application in order to support the VE exhibition through purchase of audio and projector equipment, requesting CIL funding of £500 as contingency if do not get lottery funding, expecting lottery decision in 6-8 weeks time. CIL request for £500 considered and accepted. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Clare Pastorius, Choir Leader of South Norfolk Community Choir, requested contingency funding of £1000 if they fail to secure Heritage Lottery funding. Grant to be used to commission a song by composer John Harrison to be sung by the primary school children at the Wreningham Heritage Group VE exhibition. Written information on project handed out. Parish Council agreed to a contingency contribution of £500.

A member of the public reported that tyres and insulation material have been fly tipped on Wymondham Road. The Chairman confirmed they should report this to SNDC.

The Land Adjacent to Village Hall. Planning application 1583/2019 had been withdrawn from SNDC Development Management Committee meeting on 11/12/2019. The Chair invited 2 members of the public to brief the meeting on the background and actions taken or planned. They provided copies of a letter and accompanying e-mail to be sent to SNDC Head of Planning, Phil Courtier and SNDC Managing Director, Trevor Holden.

A member of public outlined site application history and their evidence which purports to challenge the applicants' traveller status and undermines the basis for earlier planning permissions. The objective of the e-mail and letter is to have the planning permissions revoked. A member of the public asked if the Parish Council will continue to support these actions and letter. Parish Council confirmed yes and agreed that an e-mail from the Parish will be sent in support. **Action MH**

Cllr Legg, having previously called for the application to be considered by committee, suggested that a judicial challenge would be needed to overturn a decision. However, it was noted that the law allows for SNDC to instigate a judicial review itself. Ultimately the issue can be referred to the Ombudsman who may recommend a policy or procedural change, but cannot overturn a decision.

Poor driving behaviour (speeding, parking, manoeuvring) in the vicinity of the school which largely occur during school run times but not exclusively. This is an on-going issue and has not significantly improved despite numerous attempts. Cllr Graves will investigate speedwatch and provide his recommendations. **Action HG.**

- 4 **To approve the minutes of the last meetings (12 November 2019)** - approved and signed. Noted that a proposal for the creation of a lay-by opposite school for residential parking. The Chairman has approached Saffron and Highways who have said no.

## 5 Administrative Issues

- Review of Footpath Warden Policy. Warden reviewed. 2 amends to risk factors were agreed. **Action NA.**
- General Data Protection Regulation Policy. No change. Record to be updated. **Action NA**
- Welcome Pack. Cllr Keith Morris emailed draft copy prior to meeting and invited feedback.
- Archaeology Project Test Pit results. Steve Hickling, NCC Historic Environment Officer, provided his interim report and gave brief summary of test pit results. Discussed findings and discoveries, test pits are worthwhile, as the results help develop an improved history of village. Proposal to keep as a rolling project and to do 1 or 2 test pits per year agreed. **Action NA will confirm on project budget left. Steve to send the Chairman the report for final amendments and publication.**

## 6 Planning

Applications received	2019 / 2552 - Acorns, Church Road, single storey rear extension- The Parish Council agreed no comments to submit on this.
Comments Agreed between meetings	2019/2339 - Green Drift, Ashwellthorpe Rd, erection of single storey side extension.
Decisions	2019/2339 Green Drift, Ashwellthorpe Rd
Information	Update on Land adj. to Village hall and current application status - this item was covered in Open Forum.

## 7 Village Maintenance and Highways

- Update on B1113 speed limit reduction. The Clerk confirmed Highways intend an initial consultation with statutory stakeholders.
- Review Annual play inspection report and discuss yearly rolling order-Report reviewed in meeting and agreed to form a working group to action repairs as necessary. Rolling contract for Play Inspection. Parish Council agreed to approach the supplier to request fixed cost if agreed to this. **Action NA**
- Renewal request for National Playgrounds Association. Subscription not to be renewed.
- Village hedge trimming proposal. Discussion on difficulties of managing and implementing this across all property boundaries. Agreed not to proceed with this proposal.

## 8 Finance

- To receive the financial report. Circulated prior to the meeting and approved.
- To review and set budget for 2020/21- Agreed 1.5% increase on precept. **Action NA to complete and submit precept request to SNDC by 20<sup>th</sup> January deadline.**

- The following payments were unanimously approved:

Clerk's Wages: Dec 2019 & Jan 2020	£326.96
HMRC Quarterly tax on Clerk's wages	£116.80
Clerk's Expenses	£63.56
Microsoft Office licence for Council laptop	£38.88
M Hill – cost of additional set of keys	£32.00
Play Inspection Company	£156.00
I Macrae -agreed transcript costs	£80.35
Wreningham All Saints (Graveyard upkeep)	£160.00

- Payment approved and issued between meetings:
  - Stamps Direct Ltd Cheque Number 100284 £45.05

## 9 To consider correspondence

N&N Hospital Volunteer recruitment poster request. Approved and to be put on noticeboards.

Greater Norwich Plan-meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> January. Chair asked for a volunteer. Cllr Morris will be asked if he could attend.

Cllr Legg provided details and a poster about the Mulbarton Man Shed Group. To be put up on noticeboard.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:15 pm

## 10 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 10th March 2020