

Wreningham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Wreningham Parish Council
held remotely
on Tuesday 10th November 2020 at 7:30 pm

In attendance: Cllr M Hill (Chairman), Cllr K Morris, Cllr H Glaves, Cllr J Lambourne, Cllr S Liddington, Cllr N Legg

Parish Clerk: Nicky Allen

District Councillors: Nigel Legg, Colin Foulger, Gerald Francis, Vivienne Clifford-Jackson
3 members of the public

- 1 To consider apologies for absence – none
- 2 To receive declarations of interest - none reported
- 3 Open Forum, including reports from District & County Councillors.

There were no comments from members of the public.

SNC Cllr Nigel Legg reported that the Help Hub continues to operate for those residents requiring assistance. Assessment of the applications for the Village Cluster Housing allocations continues, final list is expected to be published in February/March next year with consultation at a later date. Noted the amount of potential development and concrete in South Norfolk. Cllr Nigel Legg is lobbying for SNC to develop a solar farm policy.

Cllr Gerald reiterated SNC has grants available for spending, application deadline end of December.

SNC Cllr Vivienne Clifford-Jackson reported that SNC support during the crisis is accessible via the SNC Help Hub 01508 533 933 and the Norfolk Assistance Scheme can also help with meal support for Norfolk Children. Climate change targets are being missed; however Green Home Grants are still available to residents to improve home energy efficiency. The results of the Windfarm sub-station Consultation have been sent to every household, and the Judicial Review has been given permission to go ahead. New public order for further tightening of the use of public spaces is being introduced and this was discussed further, see item 9. Cllr. Jacksons' written report, submitted prior to the meeting, is attached as an appendix to these minutes.

- 4 To approve the minutes of the last meeting - approved.
- 5 Administrative Issues
 - Policy Review
 - Community Engagement Strategy –approved – Update required on clerk details. **Action NA**
 - Tree Management – policy approved. Cllr K Morris requested council repeat its efforts to recruit a tree warden. **Action MH & HG**
Clerk to check when last tree inspection carried out to see if due. **Action NA**

Cllr Lambourne had been approached by member of the public regarding southern hedge along Wymondham Road. The Chair may approach landowner; it is likely to be trimmed in January, currently no obstruction issues.

- Trees and Hedges- policy approved.

6 Planning

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Applications received	<p>2020/1577 The Cottage, Toprow - erection of cart lodge to include double garage and games room</p> <p>2020/1661 Bramwell Wymondham Road-Erection of single storey front and rear extensions and all windows to be replaced. Replacement of flat roof to garage with hipped roof</p> <p>2020/1669 Russet House Plot 3 Wymondham Road-Proposed outbuilding shed</p>
WPC Comments agreed between meetings	<p>2020/1577 The Cottage, Toprow - erection of cart lodge to include double garage and games room</p>
SNC Decisions	<p>2020/1566 The Hawthorns Wymondham Road Wreningham Proposal: Oak two bay cart lodge/garage. Decision: Approval with Conditions, 30/9/20.</p> <p>2020/1577: The Cottage Top Row Wreningham NR16 1AR Proposal: Erection of cart lodge to include double garage and games room. Decision Delegated: Approval with Conditions 7/10/20</p> <p>2020/1661 Bramwell Wymondham Road-Erection of single storey front and rear extensions and all windows to be replaced. Replacement of flat roof to garage with hipped roof. Decision: Approval with conditions 14/10/20.</p>

7 Village Maintenance and Highways

- Replacement and/or new swings on Playing field- noted that existing swing equipment is looking worn and not ideally located. The Chair to include in his Mardle report a request for residents' input. Proposal of working group formed to investigate further possible options and likely costs.
Action HG, KM, MH,SL
- Playing Field recycling bin-Following feedback from SNDC outlining that recycling bins in public park spaces often contain contaminated items, the council decided no further action.
- Relocation of village Kett's Country path sign - Footpath Warden reported discussion with The Bird in Hand owners who agreed sign can be relocated onto their land, location to be confirmed. Footpath Warden to investigate further to see if sign will move easily.
- Management of village verges and land - Cllr Jean noted that a lot of residents like the verges neat and may not welcome idea of wildflower verges replacing existing mowed areas. The Chair noted that the parish has limited land apart from the Reading Room to enact anything, so no further action on this idea at present.
- Reading Room – Proposal to install a Christmas Tree with lights for residents' entertainment and festive cheer put forward by Cllr Jean and village hall committee member who will manage installation, removal and ensure personal and public safety. Council approved project and granted £250 to cover costs of tree, lights and equipment needed. Clerk confirmed this grant can come out of CIL budget (confirmation sources; Local Government Act 1972 section 145 and NCC Community Infrastructure Levy Neighbourhood Funding).

8 Finance

- To receive the financial report - approved
- Review Clerk's online banking report - council approved, Clerk to investigate further and update on progress at next meeting.
- To authorise an increase to the Clerk's salary, in line with NJC pay scales, effective 1 April 2020 – It was agreed to increase the Clerk's salary in line with the NJC pay scales.
- To review and finalise CIL report to be submitted to SNDC by 31/12/2020 - approved
Action NA
- Review budget & precept Setting 2021/22 - Clerk to update training budget to £325,

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maintenance costs increase to £3,000, put in provisional increase to dog bin costs as consideration for new dog bin on Hethel Road to be a January meeting agenda item.

Action NA

- The following cheques were raised between meetings following council spend approval:

Cheque	Payee	£
100314	NALC CILCA training course for Clerk	£300
100316	J Moon Home Improvements - payment for village hall fire doors to be reimbursed by WVHMC	£1800

- The following payments were approved:

100317	Season's Grass Cutting	£680.00
100318	SLCC - registration fee for CILCA course	£410.00
100319	Purchase of Clerk's Manual for CILCA	£72.30
100320	Clerk's Salary Oct/Nov	£398.06
100321	HMRC Employer tax Year to date	£127.20

9 Correspondence

- SNDC Consultation for Public Space Protection Order - dog fouling / exclusion from enclosed play spaces - Agreement as Parish has an enclosed playing field need to make residents aware of new protection order and possible fines for breaches, to be included in the next Mardle.
Action MH
- The Local Government Boundary Commission - The Chair noted mainly about Wymondham Parish, not directly affected and no further comments from Councillors.

Meeting Concluded at 8:25 pm

10 Date of next meeting – Tuesday 12th January 2021.

[Nb. A decision on a video conference or physical meeting will be made nearer the time to reflect the then extant Government regulations/guidance for Covid-19.]

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Wreningham PC District Councillor's report. Vivienne Clifford-Jackson November 2020

1. **October was a quieter month** as there was no Full Council, Cabinet or Scrutiny meetings.
2. However there were the **Economy and Environment, People & Communities, Planning and Regulatory and Licensing Committee meetings**. The report that went to the Environment committee indicated that we are in the throes of Climate Change now. The policy currently is based on adaptation and mitigation. Sadly, it has been reported by the Natural Capital Government Committee that we have missed our climate change targets and no areas are making progress. However there are Green Homes Grants available to help with insulation etc.
3. **Housing standards, planning conditions and public spaces enforcement** were reviewed at cabinet and you see in your papers the public spaces order to tighten enforcement against dog fouling. The Cabinet discussed financial matters which will be examined in more detail at the Finance Committee later this month. It is hard to plan for income and expenditure in the light of the recent lockdown and the Government's settlement is only for one year this time
4. **Community grants** will be discussed in December Cabinet as members wished to discuss the process further. CAF has not met this year but member grants have been given where possible. One advantage of the Covid crisis is that all council and parish council meeting can be seen on line so it is easier to contribute. It looks as though this is will be for the foreseeable future.
5. **Planning**. We have the new local plan in process and possible Government changes. Anyone can make a speculative bid but most are refused. Our village cluster is Wreningham, Ashwellthorpe and Fundenhall. If you have any questions ask the Place Shaping Team at LP@s-norfolk.gov.uk or on 01508 533805 as consultations have now closed. The link is; <https://www.greaternorwichgrowth.org.uk/planning/greater-norwich-local-plan/>
6. You have also seen the **County Divisions Consultations by the Boundary Commission** closes at the end of November.
7. **The national grid** are finally aware that they need to consider the infrastructure when planning energy supply and will be rationalising cabling and sub stations in the future. Sadly not in time for us. The results of the **Windfarm sub-station Consultation** have been sent to every household. The Judicial Review has been given permission to go ahead.
8. If you have **IT issues** we are advised to ensure you have a VDSL enabled modem or router and 'fibre to box' connection.
9. If there still month at the end of your money, or if there is an individual or group you care about, suffering from the effects of Covid, physically or financially, **help is available** from us or South Norfolk Council 01508 533 933. The Norfolk Assistance Scheme can also help with meal support for Norfolk Children.

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