

## EDGEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020, 7pm.

**Present:** Mark Cook (Chair) (MC) Emma Cletheroe (Vice Chair) (EC)  
Anne Harrup (AH) Lin Pateman (LP)  
Jackie Cole (JC) Suzanne Longe (SL)  
Andrew Brown (District Councillor) (AB)  
Steffan Aquarone (County Councillor) (SA)  
Kirsty Cotgrove (Clerk)  
+ 1 member of the public

**20/102. Chairman's welcome and apologies for absence** – MC welcomed everyone.

**20/103. Statements of pecuniary interests, and dispensations to speak** – None.

**20/104. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meetings of Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020** – The minutes were approved and signed (prop. EC, sec. LP, all agreed).

**20/105. Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda** – Thanks were given to Jim Frost, who has straightened and painted the railings around the Village Green.

**20/106. Police report** – Newsletters are forwarded to Councillors as and when received.

**20/107. Report from Steffan Aquarone, County Councillor** – SA emailed a report to Councillors in August. It was confirmed that devolution is no longer going to happen in Norfolk, as there was no widespread agreement. People in Norfolk have been very adherent to lockdown restrictions, which is proved by the very low infection rate in Norfolk. There is a general feeling that any further lockdown restrictions should be more localised. SA thanked JC for helping a Parishioner who had experienced issues with visitors to the Pigs recently. SA advised that if anyone feels uncomfortable contacting the Pigs with problems, he is happy to assist in this. It was noted that there are a number of Parishioners who are unhappy with all of the recent events at the Pigs during a pandemic.

*Harrie Morshuis arr. 7:10pm.*

It was suggested that it is very difficult to get in touch with management at the Pigs when issues arrive. SA stressed that the Pigs have been acting in accordance with the law for all of their events this summer.

*SA left at 7:15pm*

**20/108. Report from Andrew Brown, District Councillor** – AB had emailed a report prior to the meeting. AB reported that North Norfolk District Council have written to all local estate agents, to remind them of sale conditions of shared ownership properties. There is also a factsheet aimed towards solicitors and estate agents on their website.

**20/109. Finance:**

**(a) To approve the monthly financial statement** – The Monthly financial statement and budget update had been circulated prior to the meeting. They were duly approved.

**(b) Payments** - The Following payments were approved (prop. SL, sec. JC)

(i) K Cotgrove – Clerk's April September (via SO)	£203.45
(ii) Jim Frost – paint for Village Green railings	£ 57.45

**20/110. Planning –**

**Refusal of permission** – None.

**Applications** – None.

**Development committee decision** – None.

**Decision notice** – None.

**Additional information on applications** - None.

**To discuss late planning applications** – None.

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**To ratify applications made between meetings** – None.

**20/111. To update on community Speedwatch and consider the traffic survey** – LP reported that new equipment has been received and new H&S forms completed, and they have carried out three sessions, with an average of 10 speeders each session. The Speedwatch group has a new volunteer. JG reported that he and volunteers have finished collecting the second survey, with approximately 120 respondents. The responses will be collated in time for the October meeting.

**20/112. To update on the Broadland Housing scheme** – There are only two shared ownership properties left to sell. It was asked how many people have been removed from the local needs register as a result of these houses, AB will investigate. The footpath has been tarmacked, apart from the final five metres on Rectory Road, which has just been laid with hardcore and is very uneven. The Clerk will contact Broadland Housing to ask when the path will be finished, and when the heras panels will be removed and landscaping will be completed. There have been rumours circulating that the Parish Council have sold the playground for further housing, but it was clarified that the Parish Council do not own or maintain this land. It is owned by NNDC, and hasn't been sold. There is a gate from the new estate onto Rectory Road, next to the footpath, onto Rectory Road. The Clerk will query what this is for. NNDC have confirmed that they have gated off the land behind the Holt Road Council Houses, but it was queried who is renting it, as it has been cut for hay this summer. The Clerk and AB will investigate further. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not support a second phase of development in the village. AB will find out the current number on the local needs list.

**20/113. To discuss the recent and upcoming Street Food Markets at the Pigs** – MC met with concerned Parishioners and the Environmental Health officer twice. The first time, the EH officer was concerned about the noise, but as it was close to the end of the event, he didn't pursue, and the second time he was happy with the noise level. MC has had an email exchange with Iain Wilson, who was under the impression that there had been few complains, but it was noted that many complaints were made to the Parish Council, rather than NNDC. JC reported that she had been contacted by the neighbouring landowner, who, on a number of occasions, has had soiled paper and nappies thrown over the hedge onto his land. She contacted NNDC and reported this. The waste still remains on the land, and has not yet been cleared by The Pigs. AB queried if Iain Wilson is complying with his temporary license permissions, as he should have cleared the waste and considered moving the toilets to a more suitable position. AB attended the event on 12<sup>th</sup> September, and visited an effected Parishioner's property. The Clerk read a letter by Iain Wilson, which explained why he held the events, the benefit to local traders, and the increase in local employment. MC read his response to this letter. Iain Wilson has stated that these events are unlikely to happen next year, as outdoor events are too reliant on the weather. AB reported that he met Iain Wilson, and has discussed the events with him. Mr Wilson is intending to apply for planning permission next year, to move the car park, and create a Village Green where the car park is now, to make an amenity area for the village. Should Mr Wilson choose to hold outdoor events next year, he will be unable to apply for temporary licenses, and will have to apply for a full license. It was noted that the Planning Enforcement Officer has visited the Pigs about the Sty in the Sky. AB will find out what is happening regarding this. HM stated that, although Mr Wilson should not have held the first event prior to lockdown being eased, his subsequent events have been lawful. He noted that the hospitality industry has been hit very hard in recent months, and that these events would have provided very little profit for the Pigs, if any. They have, however, lifted the spirits for a large number of people, and Mr Wilson should be commended for this, and should the Village Green go ahead, he has no doubt it would look very good for the village. A Parishioner noted that there are a large number of people in the village who were in favour of these events.

**20/114. To update on the Hornsea windfarm application and others** – There have been a lot of vehicle logging strips on roads locally, and it is thought that these are for the upcoming Sheringham Shoal application. A Parishioner has forwarded a lot of information regarding the Offshore Ring Main to Duncan Baker MP, along with contact details for the National Grid.

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**20/115. To discuss Highways issues**– The sign at Sweetbriar Lane, directing to Holt has been replaced. A number of potholes were noted, and will be reported.

**20/116. To nominate a trustee for the Poors' Fuel Allotment** – Jeremy Goldney reported that Eric Earnshaw has retired as trustee, due to ill health. Chris Coe has put himself forward to take on the role. It was agreed to nominate Chris Coe (prop. EC, sec. LP).

**20/117. Correspondence** – (i) Sustainable Communities Grant Fund – This is a replacement for the Big Society Fund.

(ii) Pensions Regulator Redeclaration of Compliance – This has been completed by the Clerk.

(iii) Poppy Appeal 2020 – The PC purchased a new wreath two years ago, so none I required. It was agreed that SL can purchase some tulip bulbs for the war memorial.

(iv) Village Facebook page – A Parishioner, who has volunteered to renovate the Ramsgate Street bus stop, has started a Facebook community page for residents. It can be found at

[www.facebook.com/groups/920768628429563/permalink/925664717939954/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/920768628429563/permalink/925664717939954/)

(iv) A Parishioner has contacted the Clerk to ask about maintenance of a number of things. It was agreed that the Clerk will ask the riparian owners either side of the Ramsgate Street ditch to clear their section, and will contact Highways to ask them to clear the culvert. The light in the phone box has stopped working, but it is thought that E.on have disconnected the power supply. It was agreed that there could be a working party to spruce up the bus shelter on Ramsgate Street.

(v) It was noted that a number of panes of the safety Perspex have been broken on the bus shelter on the Green. SL will forward photos, for the Clerk to obtain quotes to replace.

(vi) A Stody Estate tractor, loaded with shallots, was logged travelling through the village at 34mph. The trailer was overloaded, as many shallots spilled out onto the road. The Clerk will write to Stody Estate to notify them.

(vii) Jim Frost has put stickers on the bins on the Green, to ask people not to dispose of dog waste in them, but one person continues to do so. The Parish Council are happy for him to remove the bins, if appropriate.

(viii) A working party is required to clear weed from the pond. AH will circulate a date via email.

**20/118. To agree the date of the next meeting** – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

**20/119. To close the meeting** There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8:35pm.

Signed as a correct record by:

Date: