

Little Snoring Parish Council

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Present: S Harvey, S Price, L Spanton, A Talbot (Vice-Chair),
and Anna Clarke (NNDC Community Housing Enabler) and Ed Mumford-Smith (Head of
Development with Broadland Housing Association

Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 12 September 2022 at 7.30 pm in the Community Room

MINUTES

Welcome. The recent death of Queen Elizabeth II was noted.

1. Andy Talbot was **elected as Chair**

Proposed	SP	Seconded	LS	vote	all
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- i. The Chair completed a declaration of acceptance of office.

2. Simon Price was **elect as Vice-Chair**

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3. **Apologies** from NNDCllr T Fitzpatrick and NCCllr S Aquarone.

- i. It was noted that Margaret Kennedy and Jetta Buck have resigned. Notices of Vacancy have been uploaded to the website and put on the notice boards.

4. **Declarations of pecuniary interest** by Councillors in any of the agenda items listed below. None.

5. **Minutes of the previous Meetings** (9 May – meeting in July was not quorate) were approved and signing.

6. **Presentation** and Questions & Answers with Anna Clarke (Community Housing Officer from North Norfolk District Council) and Ed Mumford-Smith (Broadland Housing Association) regarding a possible site for Exception Housing Scheme of affordable homes on Snoring Road. Kettlestone.

Information about the local housing need (and the criteria for allocation) in Kettlestone and the surrounding parishes (excluding Fakenham) was circulated. It was noted that there were 37 households meeting the criteria of living in the parish or adjoining parishes for at least 5 years at any time, or employed (permanent employment of at least 12 months and 16 hours per week) or have a family member who has lived for five consecutive years in the parish or adjoining parishes. This was made up of 11 single people, 2 couples, 14 small families (up to two children) and 10 large families (3 + children). The proposed site was on Snoring Road adjacent to the houses on the south side just inside the parish boundary for Kettlestone. Policy requirements for such an Exception Housing Scheme include that the development must be next to 10 existing properties and address the housing need. The development would be a cul de sac of 8 – 12 properties in a vernacular style designed to ‘sit in the landscape’ e.g. flint and brick, converted farm building / barns style. There would be an element of market pricing to cross subsidise the affordable homes which could be rental, shared ownership. Similar developments can be seen at Fulmodeston, Barney, Swanton Novers etc.

The Parish Council was supportive in principle for affordable housing in the area, but it was pointed out that this location was not suitable because it was on a narrow almost single track road leading up to the main road and village facilities of bus stop, shop, playing field and recreation ground and school.

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It was suggested that there were better sites in the village which should be explored. Anna and Ed proposed that a call for sites would be put in the newsletter and other potential sites investigated.

7. **Matters arising:** Progress on items from previous meetings for information or reminders only. Items not on this agenda requiring decisions will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
 - i. It was noted that the Clerk and former Chair (M Kennedy) met up with the Head of School, Ms Woodrow, to discuss how the Parish Council and Primary School could work together for the benefit of the community. Ms Woodrow was going to talk to the Trustees / Governors about the terms of use of the school hall (the use for the community as a condition of the lottery funding was highlighted); she would also see if it was possible to change the outside lighting – preferably so it was movement sensitive (to lessen the impact of light pollution for residents and wildlife / insects).
 - ii. The Clerk was asked to write the Ms Woodrow, re-iterating the request for change to the outside lighting, use of the hall and suggesting a meeting with the new Chair to discuss working together e.g. to celebrate the coronation.
8. **Co-option** the fill the vacancies: postpone.
9. **The meeting was not closed as there were no Parishioners or District and County Councillors to report.** (Reports circulated via email.
10. **Highways:**
 - i. It was noted that the widening of the pavement at the Holt Road crossing opposite Crossways is due to take place during the week of 19 September. There will be two-way traffic control in place.
 - ii. Items to report
11. **SAM2:** Report
 - i. The SAM2 unit was Holt Road near Crossways over the summer holiday period monitoring traffic speed and the volume of vehicles travelling from Fakenham towards Holt. From 23 July 2022 to 12 September 2022
 - 308,810 vehicles were recorded coming into the village with an average of 6,708 per day.
 - The peak times of travel are 10 am to 11 am (average of 606 vehicles); and 3 pm and 4 pm (average of 582 vehicles)
 - The maximum speed was 95 mph at 4.45 am on 6 August, (although the average speeder was travelling just over 40 mph).
 - The majority of vehicles were travelling below the speed limit which is 40 mph. The 85th percentile speed (i.e. of 262,488 vehicles) was 41.2 mph; and the average speed was 34.9 mph.
12. **Planning**
 - i. **Applications received:**
 - a. PF/22/1290: Erection of car port to front of dwelling at **Sunset Cottage The Street**. Link circulated. No objection submitted 4 July.
 - ii. **Decisions made by NNDC**
 - a. PF/22/0884: Erection of single-storey rear extension at **15 Manor Close**. APPROVED.
 - b. PF/22/0725: Erection of a 2m high timber acoustic fence in the rear gardens of Plots 6, 7, 8 and 9 (relating to reserved matters application PM/18/0334) at **Land Adjacent To Holt Road**. APPROVED.

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- c. PF/22/0991: Single storey extension to dwelling to garage to be converted to habitable space; external alterations at **Tammas The Street**. APPROVED.
- d. PF/22/1290: Erection of car port to front of dwelling at **Sunset Cottage The Street**. APPROVED.
- e. RV/22/1072: Variation of conditions 2 (approved plans) to omit garages and allow for minor amendments to the scheme; and 3: (external materials) to amend external wall and roof materials; removal of condition 6 (to achieve Code Level 3 rating) of planning permission ref no. PF/11/0732 at **Brambles Thursford Road**. APPROVED.

iii. Withdrawn

- a. PF/22/0591: Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement detached dwelling; detached outbuilding comprising two bay garage with home office and domestic storage space at **The Old Dairy The Pastures NR21 0RY**. WITHDRAWN.

iv. Other planning matters

- a. It was noted that the TPO at Crossways ref TPO/22/0991 had been confirmed without modification.

13. Offshore Wind and the Holistic Network Design

- i. Correspondence from *Offshore Wind: The Norfolk Parish Movement for an OTN* regarding the Westminster Hall debate on New Pylons in East Anglian and the exclusion of East Anglia alone from the benefits of National Grid's so-called Holistic Network Design was noted.
- ii. It was agreed to send a letter to Jerome Mayhew MP supporting the idea of an urgent meeting with the Expert Advisory Group.

14. Financial Business

- i. Bank balances as at 29 July: Savings ac £9,356.39; Current ac £705.25
- ii. Receipts since 1 April: NNDC Precept £6,250; newsletter advert £25; NCC recycling credits £64.24; interest 66p
- iii. Regular payments since 1 April: Anglian Water £58; CGM grounds maintenance £448.92; Opus Energy £52.52; Salary & on-costs.
- iv. The following payments were approved:

to whom (details of payment)	Date	cheque no.	Amount
J Otte (face paints for Jubilee)	16/05/22	100880	£46.15
W Clarke (prize for quiz)	16/05/22	100881	£25.00
Fakenham Pre Press Solutions (newsletter)	28/05/22	100882	£108.00
Joanna Otte (expenses)	11/07/22	100883	£40.92
NNDC (dog waste collection)	11/07/22	100884	£692.64
Fakenham Pre Press Solutions (newsletter)	12/08/22	100885	£129.60
Countrystyle Recycling Ltd (bottle bank)	12/08/22	100887	£21.60
Joanna Otte (expenses)		100886	£36.44

- v. It was agreed to add Liz Spanton to the bank mandate to replace M Kennedy and J Buck.

15. Presentation of the village and reports

i. Health and Safety:

- a. Report (assets around the village)
 - 1. The bench near the pre-school fence has a rotten plank. The Clerk was asked to find someone to repair it.
 - 2. Liz Spanton volunteered to take on the emptying of the litter bins on the playing field if Ian was no longer able to do it.

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- b. Wildflower survey of Churchyard carried out by Norfolk Wildlife Trust came up with a long list of wildflowers. A couple of plaques had been provided highlighting that the Churchyard is in a Conservation Scheme The recommendation was to tackle the long grassed areas in small patches – cutting and removing the arisings after plants had set seed. The PCC and the new Rector are supportive of the project. It was agreed to set up a Working Group to help promote the wildflowers in the Churchyard with the Clerk was the co-ordinator and volunteers. Stephen and Simon both volunteered to do some strimming in October. A call for helpers would be put in the newsletter.

16. Community Room

- i. **Cuppa, Cakes and Chat:** restarted on 4 July and usually takes place on the first Monday of the month at 2 pm. Sally Jones is taking the lead. They have a collection and a raffle. A total of £70 has been deposited (and they hold onto a working float).
- ii. **Arts and Crafts**
 - a. It was noted that there is £1,172.18 of the grant from NNDC still available.

17. Community celebrations / Platinum Jubilee

- i. Platinum Jubilee: it was too wet for a picnic on the playing field on 5 June.
- ii. To consider organising another event for the bottle Tombola and face paints. It was suggested that a Working Group be set up to make plans for a Coronation Celebration.

18. Newsletter

- i. Info re Food Bank etc.

19. Correspondence: circulated as usual.

- i. It was noted that the Parish Council responded in support of a swimming pool and sports and fitness facilities in Fakenham. This is part of a bid that the district council is submitting for 'levelling up' funding.

20. Next meeting: **Monday 28 November 2022** at 7.30 pm in the Community Room.

Parish Council meeting closed at 9:20 pm

Meeting of Little Snoring Playing Field Association

Following the Parish Council meeting on 12 September 2022

1. **Minutes** of last meeting (9 May) were approved and signed.
2. **Financial business:** balance as at 31 August: £1480.45
3. **Other business**

Meeting closed at 9:22 pm