

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HORNINGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT CHURCH FARM  
COTTAGES ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2012 AT 7.30 P.M.**

**Present:** Councillor A Hill (Chair)  
Councillor T Hawke  
Councillor I Baker  
Councillor G Drew  
  
District Councillor T Carter  
  
One parishioner.

**1. Apologies for absence.**

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Chapman who was working and this was accepted. Apologies had also been received from County Councillor M Kiddle Morris.

**2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

**3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.**

Councillor Drew proposed and Councillor Hawke seconded the resolution that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11 September having been circulated be approved. All were in favour and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

**4. County and District Councillor Reports.**

District Councillor Carter reported that Breckland Council has launched a new external training Service and Olympic Legacy Sportivate Courses. The meetings held as part of the consultation on the services provided by Breckland Council attracted about 70/80 people at all the venues. There has been very little negative feedback and the top priorities appear to be to maintain street cleaning, support community safety and CCTV. The responses were split about 50/50 on the introduction of car parking charges. Jocelyn Lodge, which is now Apple Blossom Farm, is to have some buildings as lodges for holiday lets. He reminded the meeting of the elections for the Police and Crime Commissioner.

**5. Matters to Report.**

**5.1 Breckland Consultation Meeting.**

The Clerk had attended and he reported that there needs to be a saving of about £3.5million over the next three years. All the services that are provided free by Breckland Council which are non-statutory are being considered.

**5.2 Breckland Town and Parish Forum.**

The Chairman had attended and he reported that the changes to the Council Tax Benefit system were discussed but the final decision on the changes has not been received from Central Government. The Licensing Team spoke on the issue of Temporary Event Notices and the new Parish Liaison Officer for the Norfolk ALC introduced herself.

**5.3 Refurbishment of the Village Sign.**

The sign has been removed and Maurice Reeder is repairing the woodwork and Councillor Drew's father the metalwork which will give the sign another 20 years of life. This is all in hand to repair and re-instate.

**5.4 Dates of Meetings for 2013.**

The Clerk requested to have the January meeting a week later on 15<sup>th</sup> January as in 2012 so that the production of all the information did not have to be undertaken over the Christmas/New Year holiday. This date suited the Councillors more than the 8<sup>th</sup> January. The following dates

were agreed:-

**Parish Council Meetings**

January 15<sup>th</sup>

May 14<sup>th</sup>

September 10<sup>th</sup>

March 12<sup>th</sup>

July 9<sup>th</sup>

November 12<sup>th</sup>

**Annual Parish Council Meeting**

May 14<sup>th</sup>

**Annual Parish Meeting**

March 12<sup>th</sup>

**5.5 Police Budget Setting Consultation.**

No one will be attending.

**5.6 Grass Cutting at the Village Sign.**

The Chairman will contact Mrs Cleverly to enquire if she has a contact for the owner of the property.

**6. Highways.**

**6.1 Report.**

Oxwick Road has still not been repaired and the District Councillor will pursue the matter.

The Highways and Community Rangers had been requested to clear round the village sign on the B1146 and the gratings on Church Road and Brisley Road but this had not been carried out again and the Clerk will contact Norfolk County Council on this matter.

Breckland Council has replaced the sign at Gravel Pit Lane is replaced.

**6.2 VAS Sign**

A parishioner had requested that a VAS sign be installed along Brisley road to attempt to slow the traffic. It was agreed not to pursue a VAS sign as the cost of these at present is about £7000. Norfolk Police are to be requested to attend on site and monitor the traffic between 0800-0900 and 1630-1700. The possibility of roundels on the road was also to be requested with Norfolk County Council.

**7. Correspondence.**

The following correspondence will be circulated.

7.1

Norfolk ALC Annual report

7.2

Breckland local Development Framework-Site Specific Policies and Proposal Development Plan Document- Published document.

7.3

Came & Company Parish Matters.

7.4

Clerks and Councils Direct November 2012

**8. Finance.**

**8.1 Budget.**

Councillor Hawke proposed and Councillor Baker seconded the resolution that the budget which had been circulated be approved. All were in favour.

**8.2 Balances and cheques for authorisation.**

Councillor Hawke proposed and Councillor Baker seconded the resolution that the balances and cheques for authorisation which had been circulated be approved. All were in favour.

**Balances :-**

**Business Saver Account.**

Balance at 31 03 12

2398.89

Plus interest

.29

Balance at 25 06 12	2399.18
<b>Community Account</b>	
Balance at 03 07 12	1715.88
Less cheques authorised 10 07 12-18.00	
cheques authorised 11 09 12-343.87	<u>361.87</u>
	1354.01
Plus Breckland Precept-	<u>950.00</u>
Balance at 21 09 12	2304.01

Amount available for Section 137 : 134 x£6.80 =£911.20

Spend to Date : £00.00

Cheques for authorisation:

307	CGM	Grass cutting August and October	54.00
308	Mazars	External Audit	60.00

### 8.3 Precept 2013-2014.

The budget details had been prepared and distributed. The setting of the precept was deferred until January so that by then all the information from Breckland Council should have been received regarding the changes to the Council Tax Benefit System. The Clerk stated that a resolution needed to be passed to enable the precept to be set.

### 8.4 Norfolk & Suffolk 4x4 Response.

It was agreed not to donate.

### 8.5 Completion of Audit.

This had been completed with no adverse comments.

## 9. Planning

### 9.1 Applications received since the last meeting.

The following applications had been circulated and the Clerk had responded to Breckland Council

#### 9.1.1 3PL/2012/0925/F-1<sup>st</sup> floor Extension to two previously approved holiday units at Church Farm Oxwick Road.

An objection had been raised to this application as there were concerns over the visual impact.

#### 9.1.2 3PL/2012/0978/F-installation of two micro scale wind turbines (14.97m to the hub, 5.6m dia. Blades) at Church Farm Oxwick Road.

This application had been objected to on the grounds of the visual impact and the possible cumulative effect of these in the village.

#### 9.1.3 3PL/2012/0988/F- installation of a single micro scale wind turbine (14.97m to the hub, 5.6m dia. Blades) at Grange Farm Church Road.

This application had been objected to on the grounds of the visual impact and the possible cumulative effect of these in the village.

### 9.2 Decisions.

#### 9.2.1 3PL/2012/0925/F-1<sup>st</sup> floor Extension to two previously approved holiday units at Church Farm Oxwick Road. Permission.

#### 9.2.2 3PI/2012/0881/F- installation of two micro scale wind turbines (14.97m to the hub, 5.6m dia. Blades) at Tuttle Farm Back Lane. Refusal.

- 10. Matters for the next meeting.**
  - 10.1 Hedge 1 cut mid summer.**

- 11. Date of next meeting.**

This was confirmed as Tuesday 15 January 2013 in St. Edmund's Church at 7.30 p.m.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Baker for the use of his cottage to enable the meeting to be held as there was electrical work being carried out in the church.

The meeting closed at 2056.