

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HORNINGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT St. EDMUND'S CHURCH ON TUESDAY 12th NOVEMBER 2013 AT 7.30 P.M.

Present: Councillor A Hill (Chair)
Councillor T Hawke
Councillor I Baker
Councillor P Chapman

District Councillor T Carter

In the part open to the public it was queried by a parishioner whether when the trench is being dug for the cables to the offshore wind farm whether BT can install fibre optic cables. She had heard this from a friend and would investigate further.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Drew who was gritting and these were accepted. The County Councillor had also sent his apologies.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

Councillor Chapman proposed and Councillor Hawke seconded the resolution that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10 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.

The District Councillor stated that the consultation by Norfolk County Council on its budget for the next three years proposed shorter hours at some waste recycling sites and paint would not be accepted at all sites. Tyres would also be charged for at £2.50 per tyre. He said that there is still a lot of flytipping and these changes could exacerbate the situation. Breckland Council is working with the YMCA to provide housing for the young homeless. On 17 November Breckland Council is starting an indoor cricket league with two leagues and the top two in each league play off in the final in January.

5. Matters to Report.

5.1 Broadband/WiSpire.

It was reported that Whissonsett and Colkirk are still not live but 43 and 24 have registered respectively in those villages. It was agreed to remove from the agenda.

5.2 Consultation by Norfolk County Council on the budget for 2014/17.

It was agreed to send no response.

5.3 Date of Meetings for 2014.

These were agreed as:-

Parish Council Meetings

January 14th

March 11th

May 13th

July 8th

September 9th

November 11th

Annual Parish Council Meeting

May 13th

Annual Parish Meeting

March 11th

5.4 Village Sign.

Councillor Chapman informed the meeting that it was unlikely that any invoices would be submitted for the work undertaken on the refurbishment of the sign. It was agreed to give a bottle of wine for all who had helped and Councillor Chapman would organise this.

6. Highways.

6.1 Report.

The Clerk reported that he had received a reply from Norfolk County Council regarding the vegetation at the junction of School Road and Fakenham Road and it had stated that this vegetation can not be cut back further as most have been cut back to the trunks. The inspection did reveal that the visibility is reduced at this location and the Highways Technician will continue to monitor the location. The SAM2 sign can only be sited on Brisley Road on the post outside Beechcroft and can point in both directions. The verge on Oxwick Road has been repaired. The finger posts for FP3 and FP4 have been programmed to be replaced.

7. Correspondence.

The following correspondence will be circulated.

- 7.1 **Norfolk ALC Annual report**
- 7.2 **Breckland Guide for Councillors**
- 7.3 **Clerks and Councils Direct November 2013**

8 Finance.

8.1 Budget.

This had been circulated and was agreed.

8.2 Balances and cheques for authorisation.

Councillor Chapman proposed and Councillor Hawke 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 25 06 13	2399.78
Plus interest	<u>.30</u>
Balance at 25 09 13	2400.38

Community Account

Balance at 03 07 13	2267.17
Plus Breckland Precept	<u>1016.05</u>
	3283.22
Less cheques authorised 09 07 13-64.80	
cheques authorised 10 09 13-414.87	<u>479.67</u>
Balance at 03 10 13	2803.55
Less un-presented cheques authorised 10 09 13	<u>64.80</u>
Balance at 04 10 13	2738.75

Amount available for Section 137 : 136 x£6.98 =£949.28

Spend to Date : £00.00

Cheques for authorisation:

325	CGM	Grass cutting August	21.60
326	Horningtoft PCC	Rent	50.00

8.3 Pay Award for The Clerk.

The National Joint Council for Local Government Services had agreed a salary increase for all staff with effect from 1 April 2013. The rate of pay for the Clerk who is on SCP18 is increased from £8.919 per hour to £9.009 per hour. Councillor Chapman proposed and Councillor Hawke seconded the resolution that this increase be paid back dated to April 2013. All were in favour.

8.4 Precept 2014/15.

The Clerk had prepared a draft budget for the ensuing year which had been circulated. Councillor Chapman proposed and Councillor Baker seconded the resolution that the precept be set at £2000. All were in favour.

9. Planning.

9.1 Applications.

There were no applications to consider.

9.2 Decisions.

9.2.1 3PL/2013/0641/F-various minor amendments to the permitted onshore cable route for the Dudgeon Offshore wind farm. Permission

9.2.2 3PL/2013/0775/F-Tuttle Farm Back Lane-single story rear extension Permission

9.2.3 3PL/2013/0825/F- Oldsted Yard Brisley Road-extend roof between dwelling and garage to form link. Permission

9.3 Development close to the source of the River Wensum.

Breckland Council had responded stating that this was a matter for the Environment Agency and it had been contacted.

10. Matters for the next meeting.

There were no matters for the next meeting.

11. Date of next meeting.

This was confirmed as Tuesday 14 January 2014 in St. Edmund's Church at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 2027