

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HORNINGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT St. EDMUND'S CHURCH ON TUESDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2014 AT 7.30 P.M.

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

District Councillor T Carter

2 parishioners

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies had been received from Councillors Hawke and Drew who were both on holiday and these were accepted. Apologies had also been received from the County Councillor.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

Councillor Chapman proposed and Councillor Baker seconded the resolution that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9 September 2014 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 reported that the Rate Support Grant will be paid again in 2015/16 at the rate of that paid in the financial year 2014/2015. There will be no Council Tax increase from Breckland Council in 2015/16 and some members of the District Council actually wished to see a reduction. The Town and Parish Forum had been postponed until January. With the increased number of items that can now be recycled in the black wheelie bin if there is an excess then this can be placed in a cardboard box or transparent plastic bag next to the bin. He reported that he had put the Switch and Save flyers through all the doors in the parish and there has been a big show of interest within Hermitage Ward. Whissonsett now has super fast broad band and Breckland Council has invested £950,000 into ensuring that as many black spots as possible will be covered with the better broadband. The consultation on the Local Plan Issues and Options will be running from the 17 November for 8 weeks until 9 January. This document should ensure there is more control of development within parishes for Parish Councils.

5. Matters to Report.

5.1 Dates of Meetings for 2015.

These were confirmed as follows.

Parish Council Meetings.

January 13th

May 12th

September 8th

March 10th

July 14th

November 10th

Annual Parish Council Meeting.

May 12th

Annual Parish Meeting.

March 10th

6. Planning.

6.1 Applications.

6.1.1 3PL/2014/1118/F-The Old Barn Oxwick Road-demolition of bungalow and

replace with new dwelling. Temporary static caravan to be removed at completion of work.

No objection was raised to the application.

6.2 Decisions.

6.2.1 3PL/2014/0889/F-Heator House School Road-convert garage into bedroom & en-suite, roof lights, replace window with patio doors/side light windows. Permission.

6.3 Local Plan.

As the District Councillor had reported the Issues and Options consultation will run until 9 January. The Clerk had spoken to the Portfolio Cabinet Member regarding an extension and he had confirmed that this would be possible but the Clerk will have this confirmed in writing.

7. Highways.

7.1 Report

The three water leaks had all been repaired which had necessitated road closures. The Clerk had thanked the Street Works Inspector for her assistance with Anglian Water in getting the problems resolved. An instance of flytipping on Whissonsett Road had been reported and this had been cleared. Stangroom Farms had been contacted regarding the speeding tractors. A reply had been received to state that two tractor drivers had left its employment the previous week and the remainder had been reminded. The SAM 2 sign had been in the parish for a fortnight and the data showed that the speed of vehicles is generally below the limit set by the police for any further action to be taken. The maximum speed that was recorded was 75 mph and there was at least one vehicle travelling at 40 mph. in most of the hours of the day and night.

Councillor Chapman stated that the last time she looked at the grit bin it was full of water and the lid was bent. She will have another look to see if it is still the same.

The Local Highway Improvement Scheme in partnership with Town and Parish Councils is being repeated in 2015/16. A decision will be made at the January meeting if the Parish Council will apply for a scheme.

8. Correspondence.

The following correspondence will be circulated.

- 8.1 Breckland Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation.**
- 8.2 Norfolk County Council Budget 2015-18.**
- 8.3 Clerks and Councils Direct November 2014.**

9. Finance.

9.1 Budget.

The budget sheets had been circulated and Councillor Hill proposed and Councillor Baker seconded the resolution that these be approved. All were in favour.

9.2 Balances and cheques for authorisation.

Councillor Hill 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 25 06 14	2401.28
Plus interest	<u>.32</u>
Balance at 25 09 14	2401.60

Community Account

Balance at 03 07 14	2762.13
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Plus	Breckland Precept-1000.00	
	Breckland Rate Support grant-33.55	<u>1033.55</u>
		3795.68
Less	cheques authorised 08 07 14-233.80	
	cheques authorised 09 09 14-721.59	<u>955.39</u>
	Balance at 03 10 14	2840.29

Amount available for Section 137 : 128x £7.20 =£921.60

Spend to Date : £00.00

Cheques for authorisation:

346	B J Leigh	Computer Ink	32.97
347	CGM	Grass cutting September	21.60

9.3 Precept 2015/16.

This was discussed and a decision will be made at the January meeting..

10. Matters for the next meeting.

No matters were raised for the next meeting.

14. Date of next meeting.

This was confirmed as Tuesday 13 January 2015 in St. Edmund's Church at 7.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 2007.