

853. 26th JULY 2016

A meeting of the Council was held on Tuesday 26th JULY 2016 in the Community Centre at 7.30pm.

Councillors present:- Mr R Leighton Chairman, Mrs M Forsyth, Mrs M Helsby, Mrs J Lusher, Mr M Blackman & Mr K Collins, Mr J Leggett & Mr L Ready. Also in attendance Mr F Sharpe District Councillor.

Apologies for absence received from Mr A Ketteringham - Vice-Chairman due to work commitments.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – There were none.

The Minutes of Meeting held on 28th JUNE 2016 were read, passed and signed as correct.

MATTERS ARISING

HIGHWAYS - Reply received from Mr Jacklin and he has also spoken to Mr Ketteringham re the allotment ditch. It was felt that this should be dug out and then Highways will get pipe jetted.

There were 6 replies received from Highways who now acknowledge receipt of problem and then send update or completion notice.

Matters to report this month :- Church Street footway although resurfaced has not been levelled and still many holes, the footway in Watton Road has been cleared but all soil has been put onto bank and will fall back down and query again ownership of bank, the Ashill sign in Swaffham Road has been broken off, the bend sign in Hale Road just before Burys Hall has been turned round, the footway outside 22 Dunnetts Close has received a repair but still high lumps that pedestrians could trip over, request to arrange visit with Mr Jacklin to discuss TRODs in Hale Road and Swaffham Road.

Also to arrange meeting with Westcotec to decide where 20mph sign can be sited as cannot be placed in Watton Road where originally intended due to Gas Main.

PLAY EQUIPMENT – Monthly check carried out. ROSPA inspection has been carried out and report received. There are no high risk problems but small slide is in need of welding, one of the seats requires a new wooden top, the lower step on the multi-play needs attention as water getting in, Mr Ready requested permission to place a 'slack-line' between the goal posts for cubs - this would be taken down each time. This was agreed. Agreed to look into replacing roundabout.

PLAYING FIELD - Mr Ketteringham has arranged for Mr Frost to spray the weeds on car park and around tennis court perimeter and this should be carried out this week. Due to the problems with NORSE over the cutting of playing field it was proposed by Mr Leggett seconded by Mrs Helsby that we request a discount on next bill. This was agreed.

WAYLAND PARTNERSHIP – Mrs Forsyth reported the following :-

July 28th - 31st August Wayland Photography Challenge - People's Choice vote.

August 4th - Celebration of WW1 in Wayland Project.

August 7th - Wayland Show.

September 9th - Dragonfly Gallery 10th Anniversary with launch of general exhibition 'Anything Goes'.

Wayland Growing Together - there is funding available for tools, hi-vis jackets, hoodies seeds for tidying or planting areas in your village to encourage wildlife.

The Men's Shed has now formed a group and is looking for premises and funding.

There will be a Health & Wellbeing marquee at the Wayland Show.

POLICE - Crime Report - This showed 2 crimes in May. One criminal damage & arson and 1 burglary.

The Chairman reported that he had read in EDP that 4 drug dealers had been arrested - one of these was local and that drugs has been stashed in local villages. He felt that we should have been kept informed of this and requested a letter be sent to Chief Inspector with copy to Police Commissioner.

FOOTPATHS - The concerns raised at last meeting have been dealt with.
Newsletter from CPRE

SPEEDWATCH SCHEME - Mrs Lusher reported that just 3 sessions had been held since last meeting due to holidays and other commitments. This resulted in 24 drivers being reported at 35mph or more.

The June return from County Office shows that a total of 47 drivers received letters from Police. In addition there has been a visit from the Speed Enforcement Officer each month from April to June which resulted in 30 drivers being given a fine or having to take a Speed Awareness Course.

COMMUNITY CENTRE - The Clerk has received quote for digging trench and installing bollards in drive but this would have to be connected to pole by our engineers so need to find out cost. The Clerk had also requested a quote for painting the lines on car park in front of field gate but builder felt unable to do this. It was therefore agreed that Mr Ready get a template made and Clerk to purchase blue and yellow line marker.

Mr Collins informed that the quotes for air conditioning and sound proofing are to be sent to Breckland to set against 106 agreements.

LYCH GATE - The Clerk has still not received the letter from Mr Hyde that he promised to send confirming his guarantee.

SAXON GREEN - Concerns have been raised regarding the use of the Hale Road garage entrance as an access to new site as it was explained that there is nothing to stop traffic from cutting across. This had been pointed out to Breckland and Highways who do not seem to have any concern nor for the fact that the splay at entrance was changed to their stipulations. The Chairman felt very strongly that the Parish Council had done all they could and that he and the Clerk had spent far too long trying to sort this out and he proposed that we now leave this and any problems that arise in the future will be down to them. This was seconded by Mr Ready and the vote resulted in 6 for with 2 abstentions.

LOCAL PLAN - The Consultation meeting at Watton Sports Centre on Tuesday 19th July was attended by 6 members and the Clerk. The Chairman put forward our queries regarding the criteria for Ashill becoming a Service Centre and this will be looked into.
A further meeting is to be held with a public consultation in September.

CAR SCHEME - Clerk has now received notification from Breckland Council that a new ceiling limit is to be put on our agreement of £2200 and Clerk to sign document.

DEFIBRILLATOR BOX - The new box has now arrived and it was agreed to ask Ross Halsey to wire this in. Thanks to Mr Blackman for organising this.

GLASS RECYCLING BANKS - A second clear glass bank has now been installed and Clerk has an email address to inform when full.

ALLOTMENTS - The Clerk had inspected these today and reported that several are in a bad state of neglect. She had also received an email from Mr Young informing that he intends to give up his plot in October. After much discussion it was agreed that a meeting be called on same evening that rents are collected in October to discuss the way forward as so much of the ground is no longer workable.

ANY OTHER MATTERS -The Clerk had placed an advert in Ashlink asking for Maintenance Providers for her to compile list.

CORRESPONDENCE

Came & Co - Notification that now trading as Stackhouse Poland Ltd.

Norfolk ALC - 3 Newsletters.

Breckland Council - notification of change to bin collection days in parts of the district. This does not affect Ashill at present time.

Breckland - Notification of Rural Sports Programme for summer. (not being held this year at Ashill).

CAN & Local Council Public Advisory Service re Devolution Consultation.

CAN - Funding Newsletter.

UK Power Networks - From 6th Sept. New national phone number '105' for info re power cuts.

Clerks & Councils Direct.

AT THIS POINT THE CHAIRMAN INVITED QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr Sharpe District Councillor reported that second period of consultation was under way and as reported above a meeting was attended at Watton. Second meeting to discuss further will be held before docs are presented to Council.

Re Devolution - Although the District Council had been against this Norfolk County Council are continuing and leaflets sent out but there is still no confirmation of costs.

Mr Sharpe advised that details of proposed projects for 106 funding be submitted after 2nd August.

Also that more information regarding Allotments can be obtained through Swaffham Town Council.

PUBLIC - Request that footpath to Saham Hills through Coburg Lane be walked to keep it down and that the footpath between Sears and Tufts land does need cutting back.

Mrs Hardy informed that the trees on Acacia green area are not being strimmed round this year. This will be reported.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

3PL/2016/0783 - Notification of Lawful Development Certificate application for Mrs M Spaul to site mobile home on land at Harvest House Swaffham Road.

APP/F2605/S/16/3151234 - Appeal Notice in name of Ashill Parish Council for variation of S106 for change of affordable homes from rental to shared equity on Saxon Green.

3PL/2016/0829/F

Application from Mr & Mrs Young Hill House Hale Road for Conversion of existing double garage/workshop & addition of dormers to create residential dwelling

The Clerk pointed out that when permission was granted for this workshop there was a condition stipulated that it should never be used as residential. Members requested that this application be objected to on these grounds.

ACCOUNTS

The following accounts due for JULY were passed for payment proposed by Mr Leggett seconded by Mr Blackman:-

Urgent A/C **PAID to**

James Marshall additional payment for JUN. £50-00

K & M Lighting Services Ltd Maint Street Lights Jul.	£120-13
E.ON Power Supply to Street Lights Jun	£210-85
Jean Sangster & Mrs J Pickard Wages Jul.	Undisclosed
Expenses Jul.	£93-92
NORSE Maintenance Limes + Acacia Jul.	£94-85
James Marshall Strimming at Comm. Centre Jul	£50-00
Ashill PCC 2/3rd Upkeep Churchyard	?
Playsafety Ltd Annual Play Equipment Inspection	£88-20
Car Scheme Payments for June & July will be advised.	

Mrs Peckham advised that there was no invoice for Churchyard as Mr Lake had not fulfilled his contract and an alternative Contractor Mr Wil Smith had now been employed. She would let Clerk have invoice once received.

Current A/C details had been given to Members.

Discussion re Interest from Investment A/C's & Future Investments.

It was proposed by Mrs Forsyth seconded by Mr Ready that the Interest be used to have fencing and gate installed in front of play equipment. All agreed.

Also as some of the Investments are about to end at their current rates, it was agreed to arrange a meeting with Andrew Morley from Lovewell Blake to discuss this matter.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was agreed that Clerk submit figures for 106 money from The Willows.

Concerns raised re dog training at The Hollies Swaffham Road as advert in Ashlink could indicate that this is being used as kennels. Does this require a Licence??

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 23rd AUGUST 2016 at 7.30pm in Comm. Centre.

Meeting Closed at 9.30pm