SIDESTRAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 24th JANUARY 2018

Present: Mr. M. Danson-Hatcher (Chairman), Mr. R. Bateman, Mr. N. White, Mr. A Cooper, , Mrs. B. Wiseman, Mr. I. Watkins

- **1. Apologies for absence** were received from Councillor A. Fitch Tillett, Councillor E. Maxwell and Mrs. S. White.
- **2**. **Minutes of the Meeting** held on 16^{th} November 2017 Mr. A. Cooper proposed that they were a true record, seconded by Mr. I. Watkins. Agreed and signed.
- 3. County Councillor's report non submitted
- 4. District Councillor's report non submitted
- **5. PCSO's report –** the Clerk circulated the latest newsletter with the Annual Crime statistics for the Poppyland area (attached)

The current priorities – effective from 22/01/18 Speeding in Poppyland area High Visibility Patrols in Cromer, Beauty Spots and car parks in surrounding Parishes.

The next SNAP meeting is to be held on April 16th 2018 at Cromer Town Council Offices, North Lodge Park, Cromer.

6. Matters arising – Speed Awareness sign – the Chairman reported that the unit is installed and running well and that it is possible to download the results if required.

It was noted that we have not yet paid for the unit so it was proposed that the Clerk request an invoice from Westcotec. Agreed.

Parish Public Consultation Community Housing - the consultation is scheduled for Thursday the 25th and Saturday the 27th of January. Mr. Bateman, Mrs. Wiseman and Mr. Watkins and the Chairman will be available on both days and Mr. Cooper will be available on Saturday. The Clerk and Mrs. Wiseman will provide the refreshments. Mr. White apologised that he could not attend either session but, however, he has compiled a list of questions he would like answered and these were tabled. The Clerk also read out a letter from Mr. Twell and Mrs. Reeder who wish to express their objections to the scheme.

Speeding on Hungry Hill – Mr. A. Cooper reported that he had been in correspondence with County Councillor Edwards regarding the speeding on the hill. It would appear that the speed limit is 60 miles per hour which is very dangerous especially with vehicles exiting the camping site. He has also been in correspondence with Northrepps Parish Council as the road is on the parish border with them, however, they felt that they could not help. Mr. A. Cooper proposed that a couple of posts be installed on the Hill so that the Speed Awareness Unit could be used there also. It was noted that there would need to be approval for this from Highways. Mr. Cooper agreed to pursue this and report at the next meeting.

- **7. Meetings attended and reports arising –** Mr. A. Cooper attended the Coastal Forum meeting. The main topics on discussion was the proposed windfarm and the new village hall at Trimingham.
- Mr. R. Bateman attended the SNAP panel meeting. The annual report was circulated (see PCSO's report). Mr. R. Bateman also read out an email received from Peter Davison, North Norfolk District Engagement Officer, regarding the possibility of setting up a Community Speed Watch with the 3 villages of Overstrand, Sidestrand and Trimingham. A booklet with full details is enclosed. After some discussion Mr. A. Cooper and Mr. N. White expressed an interest in volunteering.
- **8. Signing of cheques –** postponed until the new chequebook arrives.

There is still an outstanding invoice of £39.60 for the Heartbeat Trust and £156 to the Salle Estate for the Christmas tree.

9. Correspondence – the Clerk reported that Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have requested that the Parish Council look into arranging some signage on the top of Tower Lane to stop people driving into the lane, turning around and in some cases, damaging property. It was agreed that a 'No entry except for access' sign would be appropriate and the Clerk to contact the Highways Department for advice.

The Clerk informed the committee that Anglia Water had agreed for the Parish Council to have the gravel once their work is finished in August. Mr. I. Watkins has agreed to be the contact with Anglia Water. It was decided that permission will need to be obtained from Mr. Harrison. Mr. R. Bateman and Mr. I. Watkins to liaise regarding this.

- Mr. R. Bateman reported that he had received some complaints about the high level of lighting at night around Sidestrand Hall School's entrance and new car parking areas. After some discussion it was agreed that as the County Council are the owners of the school, Councillor Edwards should be contacted, also the tenants of the Lodge should complain to their landlord.
- **10. Any Other Business –** Mr. I. Watkins reported on the position regarding the flooding in Tower Lane and the delays in producing a flood report from Norfolk County Council. He had been in contact with Norman

Lamb who had written to Tom McCabe, the Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services. Mr. McCabe has responded that on that day there was 400 houses flooded and they had decided to start the reports where there was the most flooding and there is no definitive date given for the smaller areas. After some discussion it was decided for the Parish Council to write to Councillor Maxwell explaining that we need a date for when we can expect a report so that a scheme can be be set in place to ensure this doesn't happen again.

Date and time of next meeting – March 15th, 2018 in the Reading Room, Sidestrand at 7pm.