

# SIDESTRAND PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2017

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

**Also present : Councillor A. Fitch-Tillett,**

**1. Apologies for absence** were received from Mr. N. White and Mrs. S. White.

**2. Minutes of the Meeting** held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – Mr. A. Cooper proposed that they were a true record, seconded by Mrs. B. Wiseman. Agreed and signed.

**3. Welcome to Graham Connelly, attending to discuss NNDC's Community Housing Fund.** Mr Connelly informed the members that a £2.4 million fund had been set up to support the delivery of new community led housing schemes in communities where the impact of second and holiday homes is most acute. Sidestrand Parish had been identified as a parish with one of the largest proportion of second homes (21%, as opposed to the District is 10%). As Sidestrand is a very small parish, it was envisaged that a small scheme, 4 houses say, was feasible if there was support in the village from existing residents.

After some discussion, it was agreed that it would be beneficial to bring new, younger people into the village if land could be found. Mr. Connelly suggested that he could investigate potential landowners if the scheme was approved.

Mr. Connelly suggested, if the Parish Council agreed, that the next step would be to hold a consultation event in the village to gauge support. A similar event in Trimingham was held recently with information boards, handouts etc. Of the 24 response forms submitted, 20 were in favour of the scheme.

The Chairman proposed that the Parish Council hold a similar event for Sidestrand in the New Year and this was agreed unanimously. All arrangements will be made through the Clerk.

**4. County Councillor's report** – attached. It was noted that there was nowhere on the County Council website to leave comments on. Mr. I. Watkins reported that he had still not had a reply from Norfolk County Council regarding the flooding in Tower Lane. He has now taken contact with Norman Lamb regarding this.

**5. District Councillor's report** – attached. Regarding the current water main works through Sidestrand. It was thought that when the works are finished the gravel on the temporary site could be used for the car park. The Clerk to contact Anglia Water.

**6. PCSO's report** – the Clerk read out that the current priorities, effective from 24/10/17 are as follows :

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 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2018 at Cromer Town Council Offices, North Lodge Park, Cromer.

**7. Matters arising – Speed Awareness sign** – the Chairman reported that he is meeting Brian Foe, from Westotec, next Thursday to determine the final sitings for the post.

**Village website** – the Clerk reported that there had been no progress on producing an introduction for the website. In addition, some photos and write ups of community events could be included. The Chairman agreed to pursue this.

**CPR Training** – Mrs. Wiseman reported that the 1<sup>st</sup> responder from Overstrand attended the session and it was good as a refresher session and we would probably have another one next year.

One very useful item that came from the session was that there are screw top jars supplied by the Lions which detail medication, pets, contact details etc. which are stored in the fridge so any First Responder knows where to get the information in the case of an emergency. It was decided that it would be beneficial if some of these could be obtained for the vulnerable residents of the village. The Clerk to contact the Lions Club.

**8. Precept application for 2018/19** – the Clerk reported that the completed Precept Application Form for next year is due on 22<sup>nd</sup> December. Last year the Parish Council applied for £1350 and it was suggested that we should increase the sum by the rate of inflation (2%), which would be £1377. Agreed. It was suggested that the Clerk has an electronic correspondence with Mr. N. White, the Financial Officer for his approval.

The Chairman also attended a meeting of the SNAP panel whose priorities are vandalism and speeding. It was suggested that we ask the Community Speed Watch to come in when the SAM2 units are installed.

**9. Speeding in Hungry Hill** – Mr. A. Cooper reported that there was some concern from residents regarding the speeding on the Hill , particularly passing Pond Farm on the boundary with the boundary with

Northrepps. It was agreed to liaise with Northrepps Parish Council. The Clerk to see to this.

**10. Meetings attended and reports arising** – there was none.

**11. Signing of cheques** – Clerk's salary £375

There is still an outstanding invoice of £39.60 for the Heartbeat Trust.

**12. Correspondence** – Precept remittance, Local Plan Consultation Database, Cheque for £2862.75 Parish Partnership Bid.

**10. Any Other Business** – The Chairman enquired whether the members wished to purchase a Christmas Tree for the church this year. The general opinion was that we should, especially as the fixings are already there. The Chairman agreed to order one.

**Date and time of next meeting** – **January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in the Reading Room, Sidestrand at 7pm.**