

SIDESTRAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2018

Minutes subject to approval at the next meeting

Present: Mr. R. Bateman (Acting Chairman), Mr. N. White, Mrs. B. Wiseman, Mr. I. Watkins, Mr. A. Cooper

Also present : Councillor Edward Maxwell

1. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A. Fitch-Tillett, Mr. M. Danson-Hatcher, Mrs. S. White

2. Disclosures of interests – none.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th May 2018. Mr. A. Cooper proposed that these were a true record, seconded by Mrs. B. Wiseman and, therefore, they were approved and signed.

4. County Councillor's report – Mr. Edward maxwell reported that as there has been a new leader the County Council have taken the opportunity to look at proposals to save money. The charges for DIY waste will still apply. The District Council will have the responsibility for dealing with fly tipping but the County Council would like to be informed. There are planned cuts to the mobile library service. There are proposals to cut to the Children's services budget by £10m to £5m per year. The proposals are open to consultation to 9th October, either go online or write to have your say. There is to be a similar process for re-tendering the contracts for Adult Care Services.

Norfolk is one of the councils in the country under consideration (bankruptcy).

It was noted that the Highways Department have repaired the potholes in the parish satisfactorily.

5. District Councillor's report – see attached

6. PCSO's report – the Clerk circulated the read that the current priorities are as follows :

Speeding in Poppyland area

High Visibility Patrols in Cromer, Beauty Spots and car parks in surrounding Parishes.

The next SNAP Priority Setting meeting is to be held on 22nd October, 2018 at Cromer Town Council Offices, North Lodge Park, Cromer at 6.30pm

7. Matters arising from the minutes

Affordable housing – it was reported that there has been no progress made since the last meeting with no information from NNDC regarding the 8 identified sites. Mr. Bateman and Mrs. Wiseman attended a networking meeting in July at Trimingham, arranged by NNDC, with Housing Associations and parishes who had expressed an interest. It was apparent that none of the Housing Associations were interested in only building 6 houses. After some discussion it was agreed that the item should be deferred until the next meeting and obtain a steer from the Chairman.

Rangers – the Rangers have informed the Clerk that they are planning to visit the parish in the next three months and are asking as to whether there are any issues that need their attention. After some discussion it was agreed that the potholes in Tower lane and the pavement adjacent to drop kerb on the Anglia Water site need attention.

Sidestrand flooding – Mr. Watkins reported that we are still awaiting a Statutory Notice regarding the flooding in Tower Lane which happened in June 2016. He feels that what is required is a ditch under Tower lane as part of the flooding comes from the highway. After some discussion it was agreed that Mr. Watkins write to Tom McCabe (NCC) and Norman Lamb. Councillor Maxwell agreed to investigate the matter also.

8. Meetings attended and reports arising – there were none.

9. Upgrading of seating and provision of a bin on the cliff top – Mr. Watkins reported that the number of people using the lane was increasing significantly and it would be a great improvement if a larger seat could be provided. The Chairman suggests that Mr. Watkins do some costings and produce a bid for the next meeting.

for the use of the Reading Room for their meetings for some time.

11. Recruitment of a new Parish Clerk – Mrs. Chadwick gave notice in the beginning of the summer of her intention of leaving the post of Clerk. Mrs. Wiseman and Mr. Bateman agreed to investigate 3 potential persons who may be interested in the position.

12 .Purchase of a new Christmas Tree – Mr. N. White proposed that the Parish Council purchase a tree similar to last year. In addition a new set of lights will be required. Agreed.

13. Signing of cheques - Clerk's salary £375

14. Correspondence –

- a) a letter from NNDC regarding the Centenary of WWI Armistice including a commemorative gift of Flanders poppy seeds to scatter around the village.
- b) an invitation from NNDC has been received to attend a North Norfolk Local Plan update event to be held on Tuesday, 30th October or Thursday 1st November. Mr. Bateman and Mr. White have agreed to attend on Tuesday, 30th October.
- c) An email has been received from NNDC asking all parishes to inform them of WWI Centenary Armistice events that are being held so as to put these on a map and upload onto the WW1 website so as to inform members of the public. Mrs. Wiseman informed the Council that there is a planned Remembrance Service at 10.50am at St. Michael's & All Angels Church.

10. Any Other Business – Mr. I. Watkins reported that there is still an issue of vehicles turning around in Tower lane and requested that the possibility of obtaining a 'No turning Circle' sign from NCC could be explored. Councillor Maxwell agreed to investigate this.

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