



## **Minutes of a Meeting of Harling Parish Council,**

**Held in Harling Old School Hall on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022**

### **PRESENT**

Cllr P Edge (Chairman)

Cllr J Jacobs

Cllr J Denniss

Cllr G Jubb

Cllr G Denham

Mrs K Filby (Clerk)

Cllr Copping

Cllr S Blades

Cllr K Rayner

Cllr H Mackenzie

#### **1. APOLOGIES RECEIVED AND APPROVED**

Cllr L Mould, Cllr A Hayward & DC W Nunn

#### **2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022**

These were signed as a true and accurate record

#### **3. MATTERS ARISING**

- a) Item 16(3) Cllr Blades still awaiting contact with County Broadband to set up an update meeting.
- b) Item 17 (1) Regular checks being carried out on all cameras and monitoring logged.

#### **4. FIRST PUBLIC FORUM**

None raised

#### **5. DISTRICT/COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

N/A

#### **6. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS OF ANY DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY OR PERSONAL INTEREST IN AN AGENDA ITEM**

Item 7B – Cllr Blades

Item 9 – Cllr's JD, PE, BC

## **7. PLANNING**

- a) 3PL/2022/0266 – St Peter & Paul’s Church – *no objections raised, this work is essential, long overdue and urgent for the safety of all users of the churchyard.*
- b) 3PL/2022/0292 – 27 Garlondes – *No objections raised*
- c) 3PL/2022/0281 – 7 Hamblings Piece - *Harling Parish Council do not find this new fencing in keeping with the surrounding area. The newly installed fencing is unsightly at its current height and would have perhaps looked more pleasing if it had tapered down to around 4ft nearer to the property. As this is a retrospective application perhaps hedging could be planted against the fencing to soften its appearance. The Council wish to remind the planning authority that other applications for the installation of fencing adjacent to a highway has been turned down historically.*

## **8. ACCOUNTS**

- a) Npower - £438.26
- b) TT Jones - £224.58
- c) BT - £52.14
- d) Staff Costs - £2352.91
- e) Norfolk Parish Training & Support - £451.53
- f) Breckland Council - £58.00
- g) The Party Experts - £50.98
- h) Oaks CCTV - £102.00
- i) National Association of Local Councils - £60.00
- j) National Allotment Society - £66.00

The Parish Councillors were presented with copies of receipts of payments and bank reconciliation showing year to date spending and balances for main current account. It was explained that these figures do not include the Town Improvement Fund and Petty Cash funds.

## **9. REQUEST FOR USE OF THE POPLARS**

Request was granted for Harling Old School Hall Committee to use the Poplars field to host this year’s fete in July.

## **10. UPDATE ON EVENTS**

Plans for the Jubilee event are progressing well with 2 bands, children's entertainer booked. Sponsorship received so far from Newton Press, Crendon, Simon Long, George Prodromou, Harling Water and Clarke Gosling. Car show plans are growing and a site meeting has taken place with the organisers. Police will need to be informed of both events, especially the car show which could attract a large crowd. Next events meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> March.

## **11. BOTTLE BANK COLLECTION FEE INCREASED TO £36 PER TONNE.**

## **12. CEMETERY SAFETY**

The Clerk informed the Council that headstone safety needs to be a priority and must be carried out by a qualified surveyor.

## **13. PROPOSED BICYCLE PARKING AREA**

The Co-Op have offered to make a grant of £300 towards bike racks for the proposed refurbishment of the area next to the Chinese takeaway. A second quote has now been obtained for bike racks, bench, planters, paving and labour of £4389 incl VAT. Decision deferred to next meeting.

## **14. CLERKS REPORT**

- a. The Council have been successful in their bid for parish partnership funding through Norfolk County Council. Traffic calming gates to be erected on the Garboldisham Road as you approach the village, if successful in slowing down traffic the project will be rolled out to other roads. Cllr S Askew has donated £645 from his budget towards this project.
- b. The Council have been successful with receiving funding from The Co-Op of £150 in store vouchers for projects.
- c. Members of the Council attended the Mindful Towns training, and are now Mindful champions along with 20 residents
- d. Mobile food bus to be coming to the village from April, a project run by Breckland Council.
- e. The Clerk is arranging a training session for the full council with NPTS at a cost of £275.
- f. Both Groundsmen and been asked to complete online H& S training level 2

## **16. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

- a. Temporary closure of Gallants Lane 4-19<sup>th</sup> April
- b. Update received from R & L PC on the surgery and how they will be improving services.
- c. A resident has complained about the amount of bins left out on the road by residents of School Lane.
- d. Breckland Council change in bin collection days.
- e. Complaint received regarding a dog being taken onto the allotment by a tenant. Clerk to write to the tenant.

## **17. PUBLIC FORUM**

- a. Wall along School Lane appears to have moved more since last reported, Clerk will contact Breckland Council ASAP.

## **18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Annual Parish Meeting 26<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm

K Filby  
Clerk

9<sup>th</sup> April 2022