

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2017 STARTING AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: B.Cunliffe (Chair), J. Mallen, D. Shannon, P. Lilwall and R. Reed
Mrs. J Boxall (Clerk)

Members of the public – Three

1. To consider accepting apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence received from Cllr A. Smith who was away. An advertisement for the Councillor vacancy had been posted. Applications for co-option to be considered at the March meeting.

2. To record declarations of interest from members in any item to be discussed.

None received.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 5th December 2016

Resolved to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. To adjourn the meeting to allow public participation and also to allow Councillors with a prejudicial interest to speak on agenda items.

No comments were received.

5. To receive reports from District Councillor, County Councillor & Police

District Cllr G. Bambridge sent his apologies. County Cllr B. Borrett was not in attendance. The Police sent their apologies but sent a police crime report which was circulated to Councillors.

6. To receive update on matters arising from previous minutes for information only – BT phone box, section 106 Two Fields Way, Highways.

Following further enquiries about the schedule for the phone box repaint, BT confirmed that the phone box was being considered for decommissioning and that a public consultation had already taken place without any previous notification to the Parish Council. It was agreed to write to Breckland questioning why the PC had not been consulted on the matter.

Cllr Cunliffe requested an update from Breckland re Section 106 agreement for amenity land at Two Fields Way. It was confirmed that a further planning application was being processed for 44 houses on this land which may affect the land in question. It was agreed to write to Breckland and reiterate initial request for amenity land and seek assurance that the specification for the amenity area will be met. Highways confirmed that they had responded to the complaint re Village Green. It was agreed to request further information with Open Space Society regarding adopting the Village Green.

7. To discuss community speed watch scheme

Following discussion it was agreed that Parish Council would support a Community Speed Watch Scheme and seek a volunteer to lead the scheme.

8. To approve further action re Village Hall Gate

It was agreed that in the longer term a more secure security system should be implemented. Parish Council to review the security aspects of the security ground

9. To ratify change of meeting date

It was proposed and agreed to change the meeting date to the first Thursday in the month, starting on the 6th April 2017.

10. Planning

(a) To consider planning applications

Application reference - 3PL/2016/1376/O

Description - Replacement dwelling

Location - Pigmans House Wood Farm Reepham Road, Bawdeswell

The Council agreed to object to the application on the grounds that the existing structure could not be considered as a dwelling and should be considered as new development. There are no agricultural connotations and the site exit onto the Reepham Road is dangerous.

Application reference - 3PL/2016/1480/F

Description - Erection of 2 storey detached dwelling

Location - Land Adjacent to 6 Reeves Close Bawdeswell Norfolk

The Council agreed that their only objection was that the dwelling was outside the settlement boundary and the Council needed to be consistent with their policy.

(b) To receive decisions from Breckland District Council

Extension & alteration to detached house to form a link between existing house and outbuilding at Barwick House, The Street, Bawdeswell – permission granted

Demolish conservatory to rear and erect 2 storey extension at 21 Two Fields Way, Bawdeswell – Permission granted.

(c) To consider any late planning applications

None received

11. Finance

To receive financial update and bank statements for consideration

Bank statements were available for inspection. It was agreed to allow Cllr Shannon to use unspent budget to carry out routine maintenance to the Jubilee Garden and Adams Pit.

To approve payments made, to be made and approve late payments as necessary

It was proposed and agreed to approve payments to be made and late payment as detailed below. The new mandate was confirmed as approved with HSBC so future payments can be made as per financial regulations. A direct debit was taken on the 12th January £44.28 for street lighting electricity for October to December 2016. Late payments approved as follows – Richard Humphrey Community Car Scheme £36.50 and Jo Boxall – mouse / mouse mat following laptop touchpad issues £17.98. £2000 transferred from savings account to be transferred back.

The following payment was made on 8th December 2016

Norse – 6 monthly grounds maintenance	£1077.73
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The following payments were made on 10th January 2017

Mr A Smith – Recreation Ground hedging	£ 318.60
K&M Lighting – Street Lighting Maintenance 13 th December 2016 – 12 th January 2017	£ 7.08
Richard Blyth – Community Car Scheme	£ 36.50
Roger Fryatt – Community Car Scheme	£ 10.50
Mr A Smith – Community Car Scheme	£ 77.76
Mrs A Shannon – Community Car Scheme	£ 101.50

The following payments were made on the 31st January 2017

Mrs Jo Boxall – January salary & exps	£ 341.94
HMRC – PAYE January	£ 82.60

The following payment to be made on the 7th February 2017

K&M Lighting – Street Lighting Maintenance 13 th January 2017- 12 th February 2017	£ 7.08
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The following payments to be made on the 28th February 2017

Mrs Jo Boxall – February salary & exps	£ 338.64
HMRC – PAYE February	£ 82.60

12. Correspondence –

All electronic correspondence circulated. Information about the Hornsea 3 and Vanguard Windfarm projects was circulated. A letter was received confirming that from 31st January 2017 Bawdeswell Community Primary School will be part of the Synergy Multi Academy Trust.

13. To receive items for information

Thanks were extended to volunteers who help keep the Village looking good. Cllr Lilwall confirmed that the account has been settled with the contractor, the retention has been paid and settled. Cllr David Shannon tendered his resignation.

14. To receive items for the next agenda March 6th 2017

Items to include Village Hall final accounts, consider co-option of new councillor and approve grounds maintenance Churchyard

15. To close the meeting

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21.11 pm