

Bacton & Edingthorpe PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Held on Monday 13th March 2017 @ Bacton Village Hall

21/03/2017 11:58

Present: Susan Holden (Chair), Richard Barr (Vice Chair),
Pauline Paterson, Sandra Emerson, Tricia Myles,
Ian Witham and David Gale

Apologies: Bill Kerr and Richard Kimble

Others: Wyndham Northam - NNDC & NCC, PCSO De Fathalla
9 members the public (partial)

1. **To receive declaration of interest in items on the Agenda & receive Pecuniary Dispensations and authorisations**
Ian Witham - prejudicial interest - footpaths as Open Spaces
Representative - Agenda item 9.
2. **To consider apologies for absence**
Bill Kerr and Richard Kimble - accepted by the Council.
3. **To receive requests for recording the Meeting via filming/audio.**
The Clerk informed that the meeting would be recorded on behalf of the Parish Council.
4. **To approve outstanding Minutes**
Bacton & Edingthorpe Ordinary Parish Council Meeting
- Monday 13th February 2017 - one amendment was made to the order of the footpaths section relating to Clay Lane which was requested to be placed under Councillor reports. It was then resolved that the Minutes be signed.
5. **Resolution to adjourn the meeting for public participation (15 mins), Norfolk Police, District and County Councillor Reports**
Resolved to open the meeting to the public.
Wyndham Northam highlighted that NCC had increased its Council Tax by 4.8% primarily to cover the cost of Adult Social Care. Trading Standards have carried out operations which tracked down illegal 38,790 cigarettes, 14.6 kilos of tobacco and 1,199 of spirit which equates to approximately £13,500 of duty payable to HMRC. Specialist trained sniffer dogs were used for this task. The first of five Syrian refugees have been housed in Norwich. All district councils will contribute towards their housing of approximately £210,000. During the recent storm Doris there were 28 Highway call outs and these were primarily for dangerous trees. The roundabout at Cromer with the junction of Felbrigg has commenced and will cost circa £600,000. NNDC is living within its means and last year had an under spend of £105,000 and are maintaining their current level of Council Tax. There have been management changes at NNDC which have meant saving of around £200,000 per year. The car parking enforcement contract with Kings Lynn continues and a new contract has been negotiated with a saving of £40,000 per annum. A recent meeting the Head of Norfolk museums said that NNDC's project in relation to the pre-historic finds at West Runton has made the North Norfolk coastline the most important coastline in the world. This is good for tourism which is the area's prime industry.

There was a short question and answer session regarding roads within the Holt area which all considered was due to the large housing developments being built.

PCSO De Fathalla outlined that Bacton was now incorporated with Mundesley & Happisburgh wards for the reporting of crime figures and in total through the whole area 6 crimes have been reported.

As the 15 minute public session had elapsed it was agreed to extend this for a further 15 minutes to allow residents from Edingthorpe to speak regarding the Vattenfall/Vanguard wind farm.

Members from Edingthorpe outlined that progress was being made on the Vattenfall/Vanguard wind farm and that that the cables would come in via Bacton, Walcott or Happisburgh via Happisburgh then onto Necton. Maps had been obtained which showed the relay station being possibly sited near to Edingthorpe Church and this was of grave concern. The relay station was approximately the size of a football field 150m x 75m x 8m high and this impose greatly on the AONB. Members of the public were concerned with the consultation process and how it was being handled. There was interaction between the members of the public and the community and a suggestion on how the current is brought in offshore guidance was also given with regard to compulsory purchase of land. There were consultations progressing and one would be held at the Village Hall 1st April 2017 - 11am-4pm. Clerk would alert Swafeld, Paston and Walcott Parish Council. EP
AGENDA

The Clerk would invite the company's representative to attend the next meeting and ask the Gas Terminal Company's what their position is on this matter. EP

Resolved to close the meeting to the public.

6. To review and consider planning if received

17/0309	White House, Church Lane, Edingthorpe	Single storey rear ext and alts to existing extension	No objections by the Parish Council
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7. To consider and review correspondence list

NNDC - community housing fund - clerk to find out more information and question the percentage of 2nd/holiday homes
Resident re Cable Gap Promenade
Kevin Richardson - confirmation of prices for grass cutting 2017
Better Broadband for Norfolk - update
NCC - Rangers next visit - requests by 16th March 2017
Evergreen - confirmation of costs for playing field boundary fence
NNDC - confirmation of Listing for Bacton War Memorial
EDP - praising of Flood Wardens by Norman Lamb MP
Clerks and Councils Direct
Request for funding Community First Responders - Agenda
Residents regarding provision of community car park at Coast Road - Agenda
NNDC - confirmation of naming of Gooch Close
Vattenfall information - discussed and attending NNCP meeting at Cromer - Clerk to try and obtain invites for Tricia Myles and David Gale EP
Shell - report

8. To report on Matters Arising (updates and for information only)

8.1 Website update - Richard Barr - this is still being updated regularly and approximately 2,500 hits per month (up by 500). A tab/page for the Vattenfall project would be opened up. All information is welcome.

- 8.2 Footpaths** - Ian Witham
 FP7 - reported 67957, FP3 - 67961, Clay Lane - 67968
 There were still issues with FP3 and the Clerk would inform Highways again that the re-instatement was unsatisfactory towards the village end. The Clerk would inform Highways again on this matter. EP
 The land had not been disturbed from 2014-2016 and footpaths should only be ploughed up where reasonably convenient to do so.
- 8.3 Playing field/Pavilion**
 Boundary fence - the Clerk outlined that a further price had been obtained which was £5,000 for labour only and £6,000 for the materials. Members asked the Clerk to remove this item from the Agenda until necessary.
- 8.4 Planters for Gardening Club** - planters and soil delivered - there was a small amount left which would be given to the school, the Gardening Club and available to others until it had run out. The units would be planted up shortly.
- 8.5 Multisports - commencing 16th May for 10 weeks**
 Councillors were given the opportunity to sign up to help with Multisports and the rota would be circulated. 2 Members of the community had come forward to help with this and a further SOS would be placed into the Village News. Funding of £600 had been secured and a further £600 would need to be allocated from Council funds to support this initiative.
 This would be on the April Agenda. Agenda
- 8.6 NNDC Textile Service** - approach made to local business who was concerned about the fire risk. No other options were forthcoming and therefore the initiative could not progress. Clerk to inform NNDC. EP
- 8.7 NNDC Protection Order** - comment put on together with inclusion of the area known as Bowls Club which had been omitted
- 8.8 Anglian Water compliance at allotments** - contractor instructed
- 8.9 Dog Fouling** - reported to NNDC together with issues on bins and these had now been rectified.
- 8.10 NNDC regarding naming of new housing rear of Duke** - Gooch Close has been accepted by the developer.
- 8.11 New Orders for Planning** - these were circulated to members for their consideration and no comments were made. These would now be amalgamated into Standing Orders.

9. To review and consider representations to NCC regarding Bacton Bridleway 13 - Bacton Woodmill Farm

As Ian Witham had a prejudicial interest in this item the meeting was opened to allow him to speak on this matter although no public were in attendance.

The case was put forward for the Council to support additional correspondence and action being taken up in order to force NCC to take action on this matter. Highways had categorically stated in correspondence that they would not however, this was not considered the right stance. The rules and regulations relating to Bridleways was detailed in depth and Members were informed that Highways had a duty to maintain this facility at their expense. Members were acutely aware of the concerns raised and discussion took place on this matter.

Ian Witham left the meeting and Councillors expressed their various viewpoints with careful consideration given to the time and effort Ian Witham had dedicated to this issue.

It was resolved that the Council would NOT be progressing this matter with NCC any further. It considered the work involved and the funds to

support this action would not be a good use of public funds. Although the bridleway had obstructions it did allow access with a 1.7 metre opening but would prevent abuse by motor vehicles and motor bikes.

It was suggested that the Mr Witham seeks to take his own personal action on this via Open Spaces.

The meeting was closed to the public and Mr Witham returned whereby the Council outlined their decision to him.

10. Finance

10.1 To consider and allocate expenditure for Flood Warden items

Members resolved to support this request to the value of £300.
The Clerk would inform the Flood Wardens. EP

10.2 To approve monthly payments

PAYEE	AMOUNT	CHEQUE
Hall Farm Forage (allotments)	£26.74	967
Mick Kinder (caretaking/bus shelters)	£52.00	968
Elaine Pugh - expenses	£27.28	969
FUNDS RECEIVED		
Shell - children's party	£200.00	
Allotment payment	£15.00	

Resolved to sign enbloc

11. To Receive Reports from Councillors and items for the next meeting

A pipe was damaged and needed cleaning out along the C418 - the Clerk would report this.

Review of parking on land at Edingthorpe. The Clerk would in the interim write a letter reminding the license holder of their obligations. EP

12. To confirm the date of the next meeting -

**Bacton & Edingthorpe Parish Council Meeting on
Monday 10th April 2017 - Bacton Village Hall at 7.00pm**

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.40pm.

SUSAN HOLDEN - CHAIR

10th April 2017