

Bacton and Edingthorpe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Held Monday 11th September 2023 - Bacton Village Hall @ 7pm

Present: Susan Holden (Chair), Coral Salih (Vice Chair), Richard Kimble, Ian Witham, Stephen Humphreys-White and Jan Rush
Others: NNDC - Pauline Porter and 4 members of the public (1 co-option)

- To consider apologies for absence - To note and approve apologies received by the Clerk prior to the meeting**
Nigel Lee - personal - accepted by the Council.
- To receive declarations of pecuniary interests and dispensations - interests in Agenda items and authorise individual dispensations.**
Ian Witham - prejudicial - member of open spaces
- To approve the Ordinary Parish Council Minutes 10th July 2023**
These had been circulated and it was resolved that they be signed by the Chair.
- To consider and co-opt new member to the Parish Council**
The application for co-option had been circulated to members for their consideration. It was resolved that Gill Cullingford be co-opted onto the Council. The paperwork would be signed and the member's interest form completed online. EP/GC
- Resolution to adjourn the meeting for public participation - NNDC and County Council Reports (10 minutes allowance)**
Resolved to open the meeting to the public.

Pauline Porter, NNDC - asked the Council for their viewpoint on planning application 23/1612 - 47 dwellings; this was discussed at length. There were concerns with regards to the overall planning application and that it had moved away from the initial discussions with the enablement team at NNDC. The scheme originally was for local housing for local people for a connection to the Parish and connections to surrounding parishes. It was not understood that a substantial proportion would be utilised to go onto the "open" housing register. Other concerns were that of lack of infrastructure; dentists, doctors, transport and the consideration of vehicle movements onto the Coast Road.

Resolved to close the meeting to the public.

6. To review and consider Planning if received

23/1612	Land East of Coast Road, 47 dwellings (affordable homes)	Objection*
23/1725	Charnwood, 27 Mill Lane - Single storey side ext and conv of garage	No Comment
23/1763	Bromholme Cottage - Variation of cond 2 of 22/1687	No comment
23/1731	10 Paston Road - single storey ext and ext alts erection of garage	No comment
23/1520	Edingthorpe Hall, Church Lane - inst of EV charger	No comment
23/1133	Coriander Cottage, The Street, Edingthorpe	Approved

**The Council resolved to object to this planning application. The Clerk would respond in accordance with the objections raised in the open session with Pauline Porter. Members were urged to object independently.*

7. Clerk report and report on Matters Arising (updates and for information only)

GENERAL

7.1 Village maintenance programme to be reviewed

The schedule was reviewed and progress was being made albeit work on the red telephone box may need to be deferred until next year due to weather and supplier difficulties. A new barrier had been purchased by the Clerk and this was due to be installed imminently. The bowls club location had been heavily cut back and the area cleared. Members considered that this area needed to be re-purposed and that the best use and outcome for the community and the surrounding households would be that of small allotments to meet the waiting list demand. This would form part of the next Agenda.

Agenda

7.2 Allotments - placement of black sacks of manure/payments

Concerns had been raised by allotment holders in connection with manure being left on the allotments. The Clerk had resolved this matter. Outstanding payments had been chased and would be banked.

7.3 Website upgrade - This had been completed.

7.4 Unity Bank - information supplied to Unity Bank.

LAND AT HIGHBANKS, EDINGTHORPE

7.5 Cutting/removal of Pampas grass - Quotations were currently be sourced. This would be on the next Agenda to allocate funding.

Agenda

HIGHWAYS

7.6 SLOW SIGN - near to Edingthorpe Garage - this had been completed

7.7 Drain near to Cable Gap ENQ900237341- interim work completed

8. To consider an application to the NCC Parish Partnership 50/50 Scheme for small Highways improvements

The Clerk highlighted the schemes available and members considered that there were none which were suitable for Bacton and Edingthorpe at this time.

9. To consider Financial Matters

9.1 To receive bank reconciliation and note receipts and review reserves

The bank reconciliation was discussed and agreed.

9.2 To agree payment schedule and approve payments

Tesco - mobile phone - Flood Wardens	10.00
Stuart Clark - caretaking/grass	275.00
Anglian Water (allots and playing field)	56.40
Gary Cheney	66.00
Kevin Richardson	488.00
The Defib store	80.39
Countrystyle Recycling	147.00
Elaine Pugh (including barrier for field)	168.19

The Clerk highlighted the issues with the invoice received from EON for electricity to the Pavilion of £816.66p. Despite lengthy phone calls this matter had not been resolved. A formal email would be sent to resolve this issue promptly and the Council informed of any revised charges.

Resolved to pay enbloc.

10. To consider and review correspondence

HM Coastguard - advice for placement of Lifebouy at Edingthorpe Land	Noted - Agenda
Resident regarding 2 defibrillators in Edingthorpe	Circulated
Norfolk Vanguard - non material change and Vattenfall	Noted
EON - notification of revised fixed business plan for Pavilion	Noted
Resident re No dog signage on beach	Referred to NNDC
Resident re BBQ fire on kids play area - checked	Noted
NNDC - affordable housing explanation - Anna Clarke	Circulated
EPIC - The Norfolk Marathon	Circulated
NNDC - Planning Meeting - 24 th August	Circulated
HMRC - request to complete survey	To be actioned
NNDC - Engagement Forum - 12 th September	Circulated
Resident - remembrance bench - Keswick Road	Responded
Resident - response re Edingthorpe Village Sign	Agreed
Duncan Baker MP - public meeting for speeding 29 th September	Circulated
Wild Touch - request for donation	Agenda
Bacton Gas terminal - update	Noted

11. To consider projects for budgeting purposes and Budget/Precept setting 2024-2025

Members put forward plans/projects for 2024-2025 which covered:

- Partnership with the Village Hall
- Development of the land known as “Bacton Bowls Club” into community allotments
- Replacement play equipment (roundabout)
- Land at Edingthorpe - adjacent to Highbanks

12. To Receive Reports from Councillors and items for the next Agenda

The seawall was being repaired.

NNDC - the “no dog signs” needed renewing and it would be highlighted that the red wording fades over time. This also needed to include the signage at the Coast Road car park and would be reported to Pauline Porter. EP

New notices for the play area needed to be installed as they had become faded and unreadable. RK/EP

Discussion took place on the re-establishment of the Pond - the Clerk would contact the group again to find out any progress. EP

13. To confirm date of the next Meeting Bacton Ordinary Parish Council Meeting - Monday 13th November 2023 - Bacton Village Hall @ 7.00pm

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.30pm