

Bacton and Edingthorpe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Held Monday 13th September 2021 @ Bacton Village Hall @ 7pm

Present: Susan Holden (Chair), Tricia Myles (Vice Chair),
Richard Barr, Ralph Bell, Ian Witham, Richard Kimble (partial) and
Pauline Paterson (partial)

Others: Ed Maxfield - NCC (partial) 1 member of the public

1. **To receive declaration of interest in items on the Agenda
& receive Pecuniary Dispensations and authorisations**
Ian Witham as member of Open Spaces.

2. **To consider apologies for absence**
Jan Rush and Nigel Lee - personal - accepted by the Council

3. **To approve Bacton & Edingthorpe Ordinary Parish Council Meeting
- 12th July 2021**
These had been circulated and it was resolved that they be signed by the
Chair.

4. **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.**
Discussion took place with a representative of the Village Hall with the aim to work
together to hold a community event for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on 2nd to 5th
June 2022. Ideas were discussed with regard to encouraging residents to put
bunting outside. A live music event with an alcohol license could be held. The
previous event was discussed and each successful element from that could be used
to provide the basis of the day. All agreed that a small working group be set up
between the Parish Council and Village Hall to work on the project and develop
ideas.
The Clerk would liaise between the Village Hall and Council. EP
Resolved to close the meeting to the public.

5. Finance

5.1 To approve monthly payments

Cheques to be raised at meeting	
NNDC - bin emptying	722.10
EON - July	15.66
Hall Farm Forage	39.98
DT Overton	240.00
Mick Kinder - caretaker	98.00
Kevin Richardson	345.00
Countrystyle - recycling	93.60
Richard Kimble	89.74
Elaine Pugh - expenses	42.66
*Refund of VAT to HMRC overpaid	5,674.78
EON - August	15.98
Nigel McGrath - Multisports	380.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	7,757.50
Reconciled balance	22,431.87

It was resolved that the payments be made enbloc.

- 5.2 To consider funding for refurbishment of red telephone box**
This would be secured and be assessed for future works as the box needed attention. It was resolved that £300 be allocated for the works to be undertaken by the handyman/caretaker. The Clerk would organise and report back to the Council. EP
- 5.3 To consider request from Wild Touch for regular yearly donation from income received from the Bottle bank recycling**
The Clerk informed that the income received from NCC for the glass recycling after extracting the costs for emptying netted down to £733 per annum for 2020/2021 from the 3 locations. This income supported the children's community initiatives for Multisports and the Christmas party - the costs for these amounted to £2,200 per annum. Due to COVID these events did not happen although a summer event had been held at cost of £380.

Members discussed this at length and it was suggested that £150 be donated however this had little support. It was then proposed and supported with a majority that £250 be donated to Wild Touch for the preservation of wildlife in the local area. The Council would also consider a yearly donation when a request is received.

The Clerk would organise the cheque and suggest that the organisation writes to other Parishes to request funding. EP

6. Queens Platinum Jubilee Event - 2nd to 5th June - community event

- 6.1 To consider allocation of funding for a community event**
It was resolved that the Council would support this with funding however, the amount to be determined would be allocated nearer the time.
- 6.2 To consider list of events**
It was resolved that a programme of events would be agreed by the working group who would then report back to the Council.
- 6.3 To form working group to progress project**
It was resolved that a working group be set up and members would be Pauline Paterson, Susan Holden, Tricia Myles, Ralph Bell and the Clerk. The Clerk would liaise and arrange the first meeting in conjunction with the Village Hall team. EP

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

- 7.1 Carving of Edingthorpe Village Sign** - There had been an increase in material costs which would be passed onto the Council. The Clerk would meet up with the supplier in October to discuss the project more fully. EP
- 7.2 Land @ Edingthorpe** - questionnaire/development of project
There was lengthy discussion on the responses received to the project with a majority in favour of one of the options. Ian Witham would write a proposal taking into consideration all the ideas and the information received. IW
- 7.3 Allotments**
These were being worked on and the Clerk would check the condition of them again. EP

- 7.4 **Signage directing vehicles to the new car park**- Clerk had chased Highways and NNDC for these to be installed. Clerk would write again and it was extremely disappointing that no action had been taken by Highways or NNDC on this matter. EP
- 7.5 **Children's Events for 2021**- Multisports Day - Saturday July 17th
Low attendance due to a COVID alert and isolating the cost per child pro-rata was £16.52p.
Saturday 4th September - cancelled due to low bookings.
- 7.6 **Foodbank initiative**
No update had been received on this.
- 7.7 **Bottle bank** - funds received £1,038.66
Less costs for emptying and VAT netted to £733.00 from 3 locations.

HIGHWAYS

- 7.8 **NCC 50/50 Drainage Scheme** - PLA 376 Ben Hanlon - Keswick Road drainage scheme - being dealt with by NCC/NNDC - survey being undertaken and land ownership being clarified.
Clerk/Ed Maxfield would chase again. EP
- 7.9 **Additional drainage works along Coast Road where Bacton meets Walcott** - a drain outlet needs to be directly out to the sea.
Ed Maxfield was in discussions with Highways on this and would chase this again. EP
- 7.10 **White entrance gate - 50/50 scheme application completed and forwarded to NCC** - the updated scheme had been received, circulated and the Council had no issues with it. The Clerk would authorise this to progress. EP
- 7.11 **Application to Highways for yellow lines along the Coast Road - cost circa (6k)** - this had been advertised by NCC and we are waiting for the work to commence.
- 7.12 **NCC Parish Partnership Scheme - Double yellow lines outside Bacton School / Trod from playing field or alternative option to install crossing refuge** - Highways site meeting had been arranged and the Council was invited to attend on Wednesday 15th September at 8.45am. EP
- 7.13 **Bowls Club area** - contact had been made with the Bacton School and the Clerk would re-engage with them now they are back from the summer break. EP
- 7.14 **Barn located in Edingthorpe which should be in Paston Parish and dilapidated Wilds Cottage** - informed NNDC again - no response had been forthcoming.
- 7.15 **Children's Christmas party 2021**
Councillors discussed this at length and it had not been well supported over the past couple of years due to various reasons. It was suggested that a New Year event be held as the children may have too many parties around the Christmas period and would be grateful to have something positive in the early New Year. The Clerk would write in the Village News to find out what ideas come forward and it maybe also that an alternative would be beneficial for everyone. EP
- 7.16 **Wall at playing field** - the Clerk was progressing this. EP
- 7.17 **Clay Lane** - photograph supplied to NCC Highways and there was little/ anything which could be done. Farm vehicles were larger and if posts were installed this would make movement far more difficult and the units be damaged which would not be a good use of public funds.
- 7.18 **Footpaths and public rights of way**
There were no updates on footpaths/public rights of way. An independent application was being submitted to NCC for Mill Lane to be recognised as a public right of way.

8. To consider and review correspondence list

NCC - Bacton gateways/entrance	In progress
NCC - Highways - Clay Lane	Noted
Resident re Bacton pond restoration	Circulated & invited to attend meeting
East Anglian Air Ambulance - CPR training	30 th October 2021 - Southrepps VHall
NCC - Highways - yellow lines - Coast Rd	Acknowledged and not in parking bay
Resident re condition of red telephone box	Noted - secured - needs refurbishment
Norfolk Police - community update	Noted
NN Town & Parish Forum	Circulated
Norfolk & Suffolk Coast and Estuary Conference	Circulated
Wild Touch re donation from Bottlebank	Circulated and noted

As Ed Maxfield - NCC County Councillor arrived and it was resolved to open the meeting for him to give his report.

The report covered the reduction in verge cutting and that Highways had received numerous complaints on this to NCC. It was a deliberate decision to protect wildlife and save money. It was suggested to Highways that a more flexible approach be taken that difficult areas be identified which needed regular cutting. A local Highways Scheme is to be introduced whereby communities could endeavour to get speeds reduced and funding would be allocated for this but it will take time and commence in West Norfolk then followed by North Norfolk. Each area would need to bid for this funding and contributions could be made from various funding pots. A meeting was to be held on Wednesday 15th September at 8.45am with the Highways Engineer to view the parking issues along the road. It was suggested that afternoon would be a better time as parents tend to sit outside in their cars and wait for the children to leave the school. This point was taken on board.

Ed Maxfield was thanked for his report and the meeting was then closed.

9. To review and consider planning if received

21/1878	Field East Of Bacton Gas Terminal	Ground mounted solar photovoltaic array and associated infrastructure	Commented on – TEAMS MEETING TO BE HELD WITH SHELL
21/1797	High Bank, Mill Yard, Mill Rd	Single storey rear/side ext and inst of french doors	No comment
21/2238	Mayfield Cottage, Coast Rd	Single storey rear ext connecting to an existing outbuilding	No comment

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

The Clerk updated the Council on mole patrol at the playing field and it had to be undertaken for grass cutting purposes and the football club. The mountains of earth were a hindrance to both and posed a safety risk. A new session would take place and the area clearly marked out and public notices put up.

There was concern that a house at Edingthorpe Green had been demolished without authority and this had been reported to the Planning Team at NNDC.

A third voluntary dog warden had been recruited and supplied with the relevant training, equipment and paperwork.

Discussion took place regarding the Precept and budgeting for 2022-2023 - all Councillors were of the opinion that the Parish Council's request would remain the same.

11. To confirm the date of the next meeting -
**Bacton & Edingthorpe Parish Council Ordinary Meeting on
Monday 8th November 2021 - Bacton Village Hall at 7.00pm**

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.35pm.

SUSAN HOLDEN - CHAIR

8th November 2021