

Ashwellthorpe and Fundenhall Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Ashwellthorpe Fundenhall Parish Council held on Tuesday 17th July 2018, 7.30pm in Ashwellthorpe Village Hall

Present: Jacqueline Ives (chair)

Jerry Franey

Nick De Spon

Ian Bishop

Barry Duffin

Mrs T Higlett (clerk)

Members of the public

1) To consider apologies for absence

Cllr Eastwood and Cllr Burridge

2) Declaration of Interest for Items on the Agenda and Dispensations for Councillors with a Pecuniary Interest

Cllr Duffin – Planning

3) Minutes of the Meeting Held on 19th June 2018

These were agreed as a true record of proceedings with no amendments.

4) Public Open Forum

(I)Public in attendance were hear to listen to discussion on the Wood Farm Development.

Chair made the decision to bring forward Agenda item 8 – Planning.

2018/1331 Location Land to the rear of Wood Farm Ashwellthorpe

Public were asked to share their views, with members of the parish council and the land owner. Consensus was that there were concerns with the change of layout. It was conveyed to the public by the landowner, that by rotating the village hall and proposed groundsman's store, the development was a much better design and able to incorporate some of the wasted space. The access road has also been amended, and the public were advised this would not affect cottages that were in close proximity. There were also concerns by those in close proximity to the development about anti-social behaviour. House design was also questioned but the public were reminded that the house designs were approved 7 years ago. Application 2018/1331 which is a variation will contain one house less and house style F5. Existing oak trees to remain on site and there will be no new planting. Parish Council can choose what they do with the green. The decision for a new village hall came about years ago and this will come under the management of the parish council, the cost of which has been capped at £600,000, but subject to inflation.

2018/1084 Location 54 The Street, Ashwellthorpe.

The above proposal has been amended but council did not approve first proposal therefore no comments to make on the amended version. Council felt they would leave the decision to South Norfolk.

Proposed by Cllr De Spon – seconded by Cllr Bishop – all in favour with one abstention

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2018/1432 Location: The Chapel New Road Fundenhall NR16 1HG

Proposal: Timber garage to front garden of the property

Members have no objection. Roof line on new build will be below the Chapel roof line.

Propose all in favour.

Proposed by Cllr Franey – seconded by Cllr Bishop – all in favour with one abstention all in favour

Reports from District Councillor and County Councillors

(i) District Councillor

The collaboration of Broadland District Council with South Norfolk Council has recently been in the press. Both now need to start looking at saving money with savings being made as a joint council. Planning departments are already working together. There are no redundancies planned but looking at natural leavers over the next 5 years. District councillor also spoke of his displeasure regarding correspondence he had received from the clerk about non-attendance to meetings in his capacity as District Councillor.

(ii) County Councillor

Gave a brief report on the NDR situation, the forthcoming changes to the Hempnall/Hapton crossroads County budgets need to be carefully reviewed, required budget changes over the next 3 years and Children Services.

5) Reports from Councillors

(i) SAM2 and Community Speed Watch

Sam2 has been in use for just under 2.5 years and percentage of vehicles exceeding speed limit is in excess of 25%. Community speed watch have submitted 400 registrations. Police are also monitoring speed in the village. Cllr Spratt also passed on his thanks to members and conveyed how more parish councils are now looking towards community speed watch as an option to monitor speed within their village.

(ii) Village Hall

Bingo planned for Friday July 20th

(iii) WW1 commemoration

The Beacon of Light commemoration will take place on 7th November 2018. A grant of £250.00 has been received from South Norfolk towards the planned event. This will take place in the grounds of the Kings Head Public House. Music and food have been organised with a nominal charge for the food. Details will be published in the Mardle.

(iv) Footpaths

A second cut has now been completed. There will possibly be one more cut this year. Footpaths are very tidy. Cllr Franey explained to the public how the parish council had decided to take over the PRow maintenance from Norfolk County Council highways. If residents felt there were areas that could do with maintenance then they would need to get in touch with the Parish Council.

6) To discuss footpaths and NCC Highways communication

Chair advised that this was no longer required as an agenda item. However, Clerk informed members that an invoice for £417.00 had been raised to NCC Highways for the one-off contribution towards annual footpath maintenance. At present there will be no further contributions from authorities in the future.

7) Matters arising from previous months Minutes

(i) Printing of village magazine. Three quotes had been requested and these should be available at the next meeting.

(ii) Ruts on Hudmans Lane. These will be filled in by NCC Highways.

(iii) Post box Fundenhall. Cllr Eastwood has received the views of residents close to the post box. Although half said they used the post box, but equally would post mail in town or elsewhere. Almost all said they would like to see a collection service reinstated. A preferred location for a replacement box is at the village sign in Church Lane. Cllr Eastwood was also informed that this is the second post box the village has lost. A box was located on a pole near the junction of Common Lane and New Road. This was removed about two months ago. It was also felt that the Parish Council should make a formal approach to the Royal Mail to explain the current position.

(iv) Quotes for the repairs to noticeboard should be available at the next meeting.

8) Planning

Chair was reminded that although the planning had been covered earlier in the meeting, members were still to vote on 2018/1331.

2018/1331 Land to rear of Wood farm The Street, Ashwellthorpe.

Members proposed No Comments on this planning application, but to quote their response is applicable to latest plan.

Proposal – No comments.

Proposed by Cllr De Spon – seconded by Cllr Bishop - all in favour with one abstention

9) Greater Norwich Local Plan consultation

Members acknowledge receipt of recent correspondence, which advises those parishes that have additional sites proposed by landowners. There will be another Regulation 18 consultation later this year probably October, during which the parish council and residents will be able to make comments on the additional and revised sites and settlement boundary proposals. No comments to make at this time.

10) Finance

(i) Review council's current financial standing. (Appendix 1)

(ii) To note payments

Date	Payee	Method	Description	Amount
12/07/2018	EON	Direct Debit	Electricity	23.18
16/07/2018	Pauline James	Cheque:100816	Internal Audit	114.22
16/07/2018	Ashwellthorpe Village Hall	Cheque:100817	Hire of Village Hall	14.00
16/07/2018	T Jones Electrical	Cheque:100818	Street Light maintenance	77.33

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18/07/2018	T Higlett	Cheque:100819	Clerks Salary- Inc. overtime/back pay	379.92
17/07/2018	Jaydee Gardens	Cheque:100820	PROW maintenance	321.35

11) [Correspondence](#)

- (i) Norfolk Care & Support
- (ii) NALC newsletters
- (iii) South Norfolk and Broadland Council collaboration.
- (iv) South Norfolk Council World record Attempt

Meeting closed at 21:20

Date of next meeting 18th September at 7.30pm St Nicholas Church Fundenhall