

Ashwellthorpe and Fundenhall Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of Ashwellthorpe & Fundenhall Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th February 2019, 7.30pm in St Nicholas Church, Fundenhall.

Present: J Ives(chair)

Nick De Spon

Ian Bishop

Barry Duffin

Chris Eastwood

Roy Burridge

Mrs T Higlett (clerk)

Members of the public

1) To consider apologies for absence

Cllr J Franey

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

Cllr Duffin – Planning

Cllr Burridge - Planning

3) Minutes of the Meeting held on 15 January 2019

These were not approved.

Agenda point 4 - Public Forum. Cllr Burridge had raised the issue of visibility on Common Road at the junction of New Road, and requested this to be duly minute. Clerk to amend accordingly.

4) Public Open Forum

(i) District Councillor. Spoke of election in May 2019. Will advise Parish Council of elected Councillor for this area. At recent budget meeting the Council Tax had been increased.

(ii) County Councillor. Not in attendance

(iii) Public. Member of the public brought to councils' attention that the 4ft cross field path which connects to all footpaths south of village has been ploughed over by the farmer. Area is in such a bad state with all the recent heavy rain and she had fallen over. Footpath should have been reinstated. Council to contact Farmer as this should have been reinstated with 14 days.

Council was also asked if the dog waste bin on the bridleway could be moved. If SAM2 machine is out it makes it difficult to place waste in bin. Dog owners have to go out into the road to access the bin. Clerk to contact South Norfolk Dog Waste Bin Service to see if post can be moved.

5) Reports from Councillors

(i) Community speed watch has been out on numerous occasions, three occasions in the last week. New Road is still proving to be a problem. On average 200 cars a day are travelling over the limit. Team would benefit from having two more volunteers. Cllr Bishop has also looked into the possibility of purchasing an additional fixed speed awareness sign. Price varies depending on what you require from the machine and for what we would want council would look to spend around £1800. The power source of the equipment is solar, and we would not require the data which is currently

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downloaded from SAM2. Suggested location of additional machine would be to place opposite Wood Farm. Cllr Duffin advised members to be cautious when spending an amount of the precept on equipment that only benefits a small number of electors. Members need to take into consideration section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

Vote for an additional machine.

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

Council to seek funding from Local Members Grant of up to £1,000 towards Highway improvements from County Councillor Spratt.

(ii)Village Hall. Film night planned in February.

6) Discuss purchase of planters

Chair had looked into the purchase of planters which would stand the test of time. Council looking to replace planters in Fundenhall and at Ashwellthorpe Church. Average price around £50.00. Clerk conveyed that Jaydee Gardens had mentioned manufacturing planters for villages.

Clerk to ask Jaydee Gardens to produce a quote.

7) Discuss purchase of second Speed Awareness machine

Previously discussed Agenda Item 5 - Reports from Councillors

8) Planning

(i)2019/0329 Land at The Junction of New Road and Common Road Fundenhall Norfolk
Proposal: Proposed construction of new dwelling and garage with access.

Members had no comments

(ii)2019/0191 2 Jubilee Cottages New Road Ashwellthorpe Norfolk NR16 1HF

Proposal: First floor extension with associated alterations (Planning application resubmission following refusal of planning application reference 2018/2477)

Members had no comments

(iii) 2018/2733 Land north east of The Maples, Norwich Road, Ashwellthorpe. Erection of dwelling
Application type – Outline. Amended proposal

Members had no comments

(iv) 2018/2634 Amended planning application. Land North of Whipps Lane Fundenhall Norfolk

Proposal: Erection of 3no. terraced rural dwellings, shared cart lodge, parking and turning, landscape screening, upgraded highways access including field access. Application type - Outline

The Parish Council reviewed amended Planning Application 2018/2634. Council have previously commented on this and are still of the same opinion, and have no further comments to make.

(v) 2019/0226 93 The Street Ashwellthorpe Norfolk NR16 1EZ

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 of permission 2017/0968 - Change to layout to reposition plots 1&2
Members reviewed the change to the layout which entails the reposition of plots 1 & 2 and see no reason to disapprove.

Vote to agree comments on planning

Proposed by Cllr Bishop – seconded by Cllr Eastwood all in favour with two abstentions Cllr Duffin and Cllr Burridge

(vi) Update on Decisions

2018/2822 - 8 The Turnpike Fundenhall erection of rear extension - Approval with conditions

2018/2446 – 9 Knyvett Green Ashwellthorpe demolition of conservatory and erection of single storey extension - Approval with conditions

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2018/2813 – Land to rear of Wood Farm, The Street discharge of condition 7 - Approval of details – Approved

2019/0047 - Land to rear of Wood Farm, The Street discharge of condition 11 Approval of details – Approved

Chair asked for an update on the Wood Farm Development. Should start to see work commencing soon with roadways and village hall marked out. Suggest councillors take a look next month, but date and time to be arranged with developer. Village Hall committee are keen to see plans for new hall – this to be arranged preferably at Parish Council meeting.

9) Finance

- (i) Community Account Balance £14,388.72
Business Account Balance £3,437.65
- (ii) Cheques/Invoices for approval

Date	Payee	Method	Description	Amount
11/02/2019	EON	Direct Debit	Electricity	25.96
18/02/2019	St Nicholas Church	Cheque:100853	PC meetings use of church	75.00
18/02/2019	T Higlett	Cheque:100854	Clerks Salary	211.86
18/02/2019	Ashwellthorpe Village Hall	Cheque:100855	Venue Hire	14.00

- (iii) Clerk requested authorisation to set up renewal with the Information Commissioners Office by Direct Debit. Premium will be reduced to £40 if paid annually by Direct Debit. Members approved.
- (iv) Clerk advised members the invoice for land rental had been raised.

10) Correspondence

- (i) Swainsthorpe Planning Application
- (ii) South Norfolk Council - Operation London Bridge
- (iii) Carers Matters Norfolk

Correspondence from Carers Matters Norfolk to be placed on website and copy sent to both diocese

11) Public Forum (2)

Advised lead had been stolen from Tacolneston Church

12) Items for next month's agenda

None

Date of next meeting 19th March 2019 7:30pm Ashwellthorpe Village Hall

Meeting closed at 9pm