MINUTES OF VIRTUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING



Wednesday 21 October 2020 at 7.30pm

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION -

<u>Norfolk County Councillor Haydn Thirtle</u> - shared the recent statistics on Covid-19 case reported in Schools across Norfolk.

Great Yarmouth Borough Councillors:

<u>Cllr Andy Grant</u>–gave an update on recent planning applications and changes across the Borough. <u>Leslie Mogford</u> - encouraged Council to use the NHS Test and Trace 'App', as it had been successful although limited people had downloaded it at this time.

The 'Third River Crossing' is in progress and GYBC has had three successful prosecutions for dog fouling and fly-tipping.

<u>Member of the public -</u> raised a question regarding 'speeding' on Rollesby Road looking to establish the Parish Council stance speeding in the village and also if there was SAM2 signs? Speeding close to the turn from the zebra crossing near 'Rollesby Road was a concern and dangerous. Speeding in Rollesby Road where Mr Chapmans Farm is also of concern. The Chairman explained the Parish Council shared the same concerns and added that representations had been made to Norfolk County Council Highways with photographs of the damaged railings positioned either side of the crossing. The Clerk added that the local Police did regular checks outside the school and these particular areas could also be reported.

1. ATTENDANCE

Cllrs Bradford, Hooper, Jameson, Roberts, Huxtable and Starkings. Apologies were accepted from Cllr Smith and Cllr Gates. There were four members of the public also in attendance.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Cllrs Bradford and Starkings reminded the meeting of their Trusteeships with the Martham Coronation Recreation Ground Playing Field Committee along with Cllr Watson.

The Chairman added that Cllrs Huxtable, Starkings and Watson are allotment holders with dispensations already in place. Cllrs Hooper and Bradford are members of the Boat Dyke Trust.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16 September 2020 were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting and will be signed at

- **4. CLERK'S REPORT** update on recent Government guidance regarding Coronavirus and this situation in relation to the continuation of meeting in a virtual format.
- 5. CORRESPONDENCE/CONSULTATIONS for information only.

Email: Norfolk ALC becomes a Co-operative. Noted.

Invitation to attend: Q&A Session with Police and Crime Commissioner 6 November 6pm. Noted. **Consultation**: Consultation - Installation of Telecommunications Equipment at BT Pole at Somerton Road, Martham – previously circulated. Comments to the Clerk – no objections.

6. PLANNING

6.1. To consider applications received from GYBC for comment:

06/20/0472/CU: 25 Bradfield Drive Martham NR29 4UP. Change of use of land to residential garden land. **No objections**

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06/20/0487/F: 9 The Green Martham NR29 4 P. Renewal of application 06/19/0394/F: to allow access to customers into the shop and deliveries of cooked food to be made between 15.00 and midnight on Fridays & Saturdays only.

06/20/0459/O: 10 Playing Field Lane Martham NR29 4SP. Erection of dwelling and associated works. No objection.

6.2. To consider any applications received from Broads Authority for comment: None. **6.3.** To receive any notifications of decision: 06/20/0378/F: 29 Hall Road supersede of 06/19/0418/F: Two Storey extension to facilitate access to loft conversion. **GRANTED.**

7. VILLAGE MATTERS

- **7.1** Wind damaged trees on 'The Green'. Cllr Hooper gave an update on the emergency need to have the damaged tree attended. He attended a site visit and obtained an estimate in the region of £800 + VAT. All in Favour
- 7.2 'Christmas Tree' donation of £500 from the Scarecrow Festival. AGREED All in favour.
- School Tower to consider receiving the bell tower as a gift to the village. Cllr Hooper gave an update on the 'background' of the Bell Tower. Cllr Hooper suggested offering the tower to the Primary School in the first instance or placing on the Community Centre - Next meeting.
- 7.4 Doctors/Pharmacy Opening Hours update on offer of Parish Council Support -Cllr Roberts. The surgery is in a period of change with a new experienced Practice Manager now being appointed. They are also trialling a new 'temperature test' to be used in the ear. Cases of Covid-19 had been reported at Caister Surgery. There will also be 3 Nurse Practitioners and two new 2 Doctors working to service the need. Cllr Roberts AGREED to look into further information regarding service improvements.
- 7.5 Remembrance Sunday 8 November 2020 to discuss attendance. Cllr Hooper gave an update as this year it is a 'Ticket only' event this year. Cllrs AGREED for Cllr Hooper to lay the wreath on behalf of the Parish Council 'after' the Ceremony to enable those with close relatives to have the opportunity to attend instead.
- 7.6 Martham Christmas Fayre to consider request to use the Green ClIrs.
 It was PROPOSED, ClIr Hooper, seconded ClIr Starkings to postpone events for the rest of the year. This will be reviewed in the new-year in light of the Covid-19 situation at the time.
- **7.7** Martham Foodbank Cllr Hooper suggested a Parish Council representative on the Foodbank Steering Committee. Cllr Roberts volunteered to be this representative.
- **7.8 Carols on the Green** Cllr Hooper confirmed he had been notified it will not be going ahead due to the current situation with Covid-19.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

8.1 The Finance report and bank reconciliation was received. Expenditure payments previously checked to the online bank statement by ClIrs Bradford and Starkings were AGREED. PROPOSED ClIr Starkings' seconded ClIr Bradford. Receipt of the Precept £32,940.00 Noted recycling Income £100.00. Noted.

It was AGREED to give more administration support to the Clerk with additional hours in November and December in light of the back-log caused by the pandemic. PROPOSED Cllr Bradford seconded Cllr Hooper. All in favour

- 8.2 To agree contractor costs of 'wind-damaged' tree work. AGREED.
- 9. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA Playing field water supply.
 - The meeting closed at 8.50pm

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Salaries	Salaries/HMRC/Pensions	£3152.71
P. James	Internal Audit	£292.50
Came and Company	MPC Insurance	£873.36
Norse Eastern Ltd	CC - Bin Rental	£7.20
Norfolk County Council	Rent April -Oct 2020	£580.00
Chapmans Farms	Footpath Annual Rent	£400.00
R. Scott	Strimming/Tree Cut/Litter Picking	£314.00
MCRG	Insurance 2018-19	£960.00
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Wave utilities	Water	£10.73
Broadland Computers	PC Cloudcare	£40.00
Viking	Stationary	£102.01
Clerk	Zoom/MPC meetings	£14.39
		£7,706.90

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