

MINUTES OF MARTHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 17 February 2021 at 7.30pm

Public Participation – Reports were received from Norfolk County Council (NCC) Councillor and Great Yarmouth Borough Council (GYBC) Councillors.

Norfolk County Council (NCC) Councillor Haydn Thirtle gave an update on – Haven Bridge Upgrade in Great Yarmouth – The 91-year-old bridge is set for a major electrical and mechanical upgrade with work starting on Monday 22 February. The comprehensive upgrade is expected to resolve many of the issues caused by the lifting bridge's ageing equipment. Funding was secured from the government to make this vital project possible.

Covid-19: 13,000 vaccinations had been completed at the JPH last recorded on Saturday 13 February. One hundred million pounds has been given to NCC for use for Covid-19 which has been spent already with 29 million already allocated to care homes. Cllr Thirtle added that 27,000 people from Norfolk currently work in care.

Flooding: on 23 and 24 December 2020 NCC created a strategy with 36 organisations dealing with this issue and are looking to work in partnership and lead in this.

IT: NCC have also provided further IT provision for laptops across Norfolk.

GYBC Councillor Leslie Mogford notified Council that planning permission for the Pontins site in Hemsby Leisure had been agreed with work to be completed within the next two years. This will benefit the whole community with a new Leisure Centre, gym and swimming pool for local use.

Ferris Wheel - coming to GY for a year and is the largest wheel in Europe.

Police - The Engagement Newsletter (previously circulated) was tabled along with the latest minutes from their Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel (SNAP) meeting. It was noted that the policing priority for the Northern and Rural Flegg Villages is 'Supporting businesses as lockdown restrictions are eased and ensure existing restrictions are adhered to'. The next SNAP Priority Setting Meeting – Thursday 6 May 2021 at 7pm via Microsoft Teams. Councillor Hooper is the Police representative for the Parish Council.

1. ATTENDANCE

Present: Cllrs Bradford, Hooper, Smith, Huxtable, Starkings, Jameson, Roberts and Gates. The Clerk S. Kent was also in attendance. Cllr Roberts joined the meeting at 7.38pm
Apologies: were noted from Cllr Watson.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

Councillors wanted to remind Council of the following interests:

- Cllrs Bradford, Starkings and Watson are Trustees with the Martham Coronation Recreation Ground Playing Field Committee.
- 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 20 January 2021 were agreed and it was **RESOLVED** PROPOSED Cllr Starkings, seconded Cllr Bradford, all in favour to agree as an accurate record - to be signed at a later date.

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4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Please note no decisions can be made under this item

4.1 Public Open Space off Pyman Close/Bradfield Drive-update Clerk

Further investigation has found that the Parish Council decided to decline the offer pre-2016.

Clerk to inform the legal contact.

CLERK

4.2 Footpaths signs: response received from Norfolk County Council (previously circulated).

The Chair gave an update and informed Council the map work is in progress.

Cllr Hooper

4.3 Transforming Community Cancer Care Project –Cllr Roberts updated that no new details

were available since the site visit. Further updates to follow when appropriate. **Cllr Roberts**

5. **CLERK'S REPORT** - was noted and clarified that NCC 'Public Rights of Way' are inspected by the Street Scene Inspector annually or on a 5-year basis. Issues with signage is then programmed for replacement. Reports for any missing signage or public rights of way issues is via a web report form <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem>

6. **CORRESPONDENCE/CONSULTATIONS** – for information only.

Email: Consultation - Installation of Telecommunications Equipment at BT Pole EAMHM-8-00, Grass Verge O/S East of England Co-Op, 88 Repps Road, Martham.

Email: Broads Authority together with the Environment Agency and other partners are running some engagement events as part of the Broadland Futures Initiative – Cllrs

Email: RE: Road Surfacing. It was agreed to contact the Water Management Alliance to highlight the safety issues regarding specific road surfaces located in the village.

CLERK

7. PLANNING

6.1 To consider applications received from Great Yarmouth Borough Council (GYBC) for comment:

06/21/0036/TCA: 20 The Green Martham NR29 4PA, Crown lift canopy up to 6m, crown reduction by up to 3m to balance canopy and thin canopy by 10% by removing deadwood and crossing branches.

Council Decision: No objections

Application for a new premises licence: Martham Kebab: 9 The Green, Martham -

The applicant is applying for late night refreshment (sale of hot food and drink – not alcohol). The licensable hours are 11pm to midnight (Fri & Sat only). Please note GYBC has informed the parish council the applicant already has planning consent for these hours. (The closing date for representations for this application is 24 February 2021).

Council Decision: No objections

6.2. To consider any applications received from Broads Authority for comment: None.

6.3. Notifications of decisions made by GYBC:

06/20/0601/CD: Repps Road (Land South of) Martham, Discharge of conditions 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14 & 18 of pp. 06/19/0639/F. **APPROVED (CONDITIONS)**

06/20/0555/F: 3 Pyman Close Martham, NR29 4UR - Proposed extension of 3 bed semi-detached house to add further 2 bedrooms **REFUSED**

06/20/0518/F: The Croft Martham Road Rollesby, NR29 5DR - Construction of two pairs of semi-detached three-bedroomed two-storey houses, site works, landscaping etc. **APPROVED**

06/20/0472/CU: 25 Bradfield Drive Martham, NR29 4UP - Change of use of land to residential garden land.

APPROVED

8. ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Consideration was given to setting the Annual Parish Meeting 2021 in line with current legislation and risks associated with protecting the public's health. It was **RESOLVED PROPOSED** Cllr Starkings, seconded Cllr Jameson, all in favour to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 5 May 2021.

8.1 Administrative updates. The Clerk gave an update on the progress of lost data and information from the website. Work is ongoing with improvements taking into account accessibility requirements. Noted.

9. ALLOTMENTS

9.1 Repairs to the allotment roadway were considered. It was **RESOLVED PROPOSED** Cllr Starkings, seconded Cllr Hooper to allocate £500 from allotment budget for road surfacing work.

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

10.1. The Finance report and bank reconciliation was received. Expenditure payments are previously checked to the online bank statement by Cllrs Bradford and Starkings. Income – Allotments £126.00. Noted. Bank reconciliation as at 3 February 2021 - Balance £60,672.71 of which £30,000 is allocated to reserves. It was **RESOLVED PROPOSED** Cllr Starkings, seconded Cllr Roberts, all in favour to agree expenditure payments totalling £4222.55.

Expenditure payments February 2021:

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Staffing	Salaries/HMRC/Pensions	£3,449.00
Norse Eastern Ltd	CC - Bin Rental	£7.20
SLCC	Training	£58.80
R. Scott	Strimming/Litter Picking	£123.50
URM	Bottle Bank - Recycling	£77.22
Vantech	Web Hosting	£30.00
Broadland Computers	PC upgrades	£337.00
BT Group	Telephone	£71.04
S.Kent-Expenses	Mobile Phone	£54.00
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11. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

The meeting finished at 8.31pm

SignedChairman Date.....

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