

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HORSTEAD WITH STANNINGHALL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE TITHE BARN, RECTORY ROAD, ON WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2022 AT 6PM.**

Present: Cllrs, Mr A Browne (Chair), Mr D Hales, Ms P Weightman, Mr C Jones and Mr A Kirby

In Attendance: Cllr F Whymark (NCC), Suzanne Hall (Parish Clerk) and 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies

Apologies from Cllrs Ms L Symon, Mrs C Fleming, Ms S Corp, and Cllr J Coplestone (BDC) were received and ACCEPTED

2. Declarations of Interest

- 6. Mr A Browne - Planning applications 20221392, 20221610 and 20221461 – neighbour
- 6. Mr C Jones – Planning application 20221461 – vested interest

3. Public Forum

- Cllr J Coplestone (BDC) and Cllr F Whymark (NCC), provided an overview of their current involvements – see summary reports at end of these minutes.

4. Minutes of the Meeting of 7 September 2022

The minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting were

AGREED AND SIGNED

5. Finance

(1) Payments Received

2nd half of Precept £16,250.00

(2) Payments for Approval

Mrs Fleming – litter picker trolley for litter picker £26.99

Mr Jones – travel expenses for Road Safety Conference £31.50

S Hall – Clerks Q2 expenses £213.34

J Rice - Litter picking £66.00

Unanimously APPROVED

(3) Payments for information only - previously agreed direct debits and standing orders etc

Veolia - Bin Lifts in August collected 28/09/2022 £177.12

Payroll September 2022 £1,013.64

ICO – annual data protection fee £35.00

6. Planning

- **20221392 – Timberlea, Buxton Road** – Roof-lights – No Objections
- **20221610 – Timberlea, Buxton Road** – variation of condition 2 of 20211828 – Orangery layout – No Objections
- **20221487 – Gershom, Mill Road** – Erection of two bay oak framed cart lodge – No Objections
- **20221461 – The Paddocks, Frettenham Road** – Erection of three self-build dwellings with garages and gardens – while concern was raised about it being outside the settlement limit and potential flooding issues, there were No Objections

7. Parish Clerk and Chairman/Councillors

- (1) **SAAA opt out** - The Council does NOT wish to opt out of the next round of 5-year audit appointments
- (2) **Book of Condolence** – this will be passed to the Clerk for safe keeping until sent to the Norfolk Records Office.
- (3) **Glebe Way Trees** – concerns have been raised by a Parishioner. These are the responsibility of the Housing Association.
- (4) **Two Jays Farm** – a request has been made to call this to committee on the grounds that its not thought that the applicant can demonstrate a clear functional need for a rural worker to live onsite
- (5) **Litter in Hall Lane area** – it was noted that anonymous correspondence has been received about litter along the road. It is possible this is being blown from the lorry which collects litter.

- (6) **Road Safety Community Fund (RSCF)** – This was discussed in detail. It needs to fully fund a project. The costs of any project along Mill Road or to reduce speed within the village would exceed the amount available.
- (7) **Bird Flu** – this is a serious concern in the area, several swans and many wood pigeons have succumbed. It was agreed to publicise the issue on Facebook, the noticeboards, the Marlpit and around the Mill
- (8) **Mill Road traffic/parking** – Mr Kirby requested that pre-emptive measures be considered before next summer, including discussions with Coltishall – this will go on the November agenda

8. Highways & PROW

- (1) **B1150 Special Interest Group** – the first meeting will be in November
- (2) **FP7 Mill Road to Green Lane overgrown** – Mr Jones reported that NCC have confirmed that the problem has been resolved.
- (3) **B1354 Ponding outside Tithe Barn** – this should have been fixed in 2019 but is still an issue. Fran to chase NCC Highways.

9. Pond & Trees

- Nothing to report except the pond dried up in the summer but now has water again

10. Horstead Mill

- (1) **Ash dieback tree** – The Broads Authority have decided this tree is the Parish Councils responsibility. As it is dead it can be removed without needing tree works consent. Mrs Fleming to obtain quote.
- (2) **Fundraising** – the Clerk, Mr Browne and Mr Jones tried to set up a QR code but ran into difficulties as not fundraising for an individual or charity. Cllr Whymark to find contact at BDC to discuss this with.

11. Playing Field

- (1) **Inspections are being carried out weekly** by Mr Jones and reported on the community Facebook page.
- (2) **Gate Post** – Mr Jones is monitoring this it may need to be stabilised
- (3) **Ash Tree** – The landowner has agreed that the tree can be removed. The Clerk to ask the landowner to remove it.
- (4) **Large slide** – funding for a replacement was discussed – Tarmac or Rural Services could be sources of grants

12. Speedwatch and SAM2

- **Speedwatch** – 3 sessions a month are now being held.
- **SAM2** – this is now fully owned by Horstead Parish Council – see Coltishall PC minutes for September 2022. Mr Jones to investigate a new location between the bridge and the Recruiting Sergeant. Replacement batteries will be purchased as approved at the June 2022 meeting.
- **Smiley SIDs** – Mr Jones will circulate the data which has been shared with the police

13. Police reports - Circulated

14. Training meetings and consultations

Events attended:

21 September – Road Safety Conference – Mr C Jones – update provided. If slides are received they will be circulated

Upcoming events:

21 October – Town and Parish Forum – Mr A Kirby – car parking requested as a topic

15. Items for next agenda

Standing items for monthly meeting. Budget/Precept. Joint meeting with Coltishall PC

16. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Parish Council meeting: Wednesday 9 November 2022 at 6pm in the main hall of the Tithe Barn.

Jo Copplestone reported – I was delighted to announce the launch of the Broadland Food Innovation Centre at the regional food & drink sector event 'Local Flavours' at the end of September. In building the centre we, with partners across the region, are taking a significant step towards addressing one of the weaker aspects of our agri-food sector, in food processing, with the aim of increasing productivity. Norfolk is the largest agricultural producer in the UK but is 5th nationally for food processing with 50% of produce grown in Norfolk leaving the county to be processed elsewhere.

We already have important industry assets in Norfolk, with world class food & health related research from the Norwich Research Park (NRP), and in partnership with the New Anglia Local Enterprise Partnership (NALEP) the NRP has been designated a Plant Science for Nutrition 'High Potential Opportunity' investment project by the Department of International Trade.

We are clearly facing challenging times, with the energy crisis, high inflation and the issue of UK food security on the current agenda, and our Food Innovation project aligns well with the Government's recently launched 'UK Food Security Strategy'.

There are three elements to the Broadland Food Innovation Project, the Centre- which offers food grade facilities, the Business Support- which provides funded & bespoke food innovation advice, and the Cluster- this is an emerging network focusing on the priorities of the Food Industry and is being co-ordinated by the UEA.

This is an £11.4 million project, funded by £5.7m from the European Regional Development Fund, with the New Anglia LEP contributing £4.14m which came from the Government's 'Getting Building Fund' and the 'Growing Places Fund', with the balance coming from the Council, Hethel Innovation & the UEA.

I would encourage any food businesses to find out how the Broadland Food Innovation Centre project can help their business to grow. For more information: www.foodinnovationbroadland.com .

Fran Whymark reported – There are a lot of support schemes around for those in need of financial help, but there are also a lot of scams. BDC will never ask for bank details etc by text. Warm Spaces are offering grants of up to £600 and Norfolk Community Foundation grants up to £2000 to provide warm hubs for people to spend time this winter. Both grants can be obtained together.

£49.5M over three years is available to improve bus services in the region. Discounts for under 25s will be offered. Fusion bus tickets are now available which will allow users to travel irrespective of bus operator. Info can be found at <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/public-transport/buses/fusion>