

BRIGHTWELL, FOXHALL & PURDIS FARM GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held at Trinity Park on Wednesday, 12th January 2011

Present

Cllr E Warham – Chairman
Cllr J Briggs
Cllr A Wells
Cllr R Brander
Cllr A Thomas
Cllr A Day
Cllr P Smith
Cllr V Falconer – Suffolk Coastal District Council
Mrs A J Buggs – Clerk
7 members of the public

01.11 Apologies for absence

Cllr E Lawrence
Cllr J Booth
Cllr R Pratt
Cllr P O'Brien – Suffolk Coastal District Council / Suffolk County Council

02.11 Declaration of interest

No declarations of interest were declared.

03.11 The meeting was adjourned:

Presentation by David Key and Mandy Jones from Blue Cross Animal Welfare Society on the proposed development at The Hollies, Straight Road, Foxhall.

The meeting was re-convened.

04.11 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the 8th December 2010 were approved as being a true record and signed by the Chairman.

05.11 Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

06.11 The meeting as adjourned to receive reports from:

- Suffolk Police – SNT Co-ordinator Paul Smith
- Suffolk County Council / Suffolk Coastal District Council – Cllr P O'Brien – written report
- Suffolk Coastal District Council – Cllr Veronica Falconer

The meeting was re-convened.

07.11 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report had previously been circulated and it was agreed that some of the items should be discussed as per the agenda.

Register of Electors 2010/2011

The Register of Electors for the three parishes has now been received from Suffolk Coastal District Council.

The Suffolk Foundation

Grant funding is available for community and voluntary groups in Suffolk and the Suffolk Foundation is seeking applications to its existing and new funds. The Parish Council might like to consider whether there are any groups within the parishes who might be interested in applying.

LDF Reviewed Core Strategy Consultation – Additional Leaflet

Additional leaflets have been received from SCDC which should have been distributed to every home and business across the district. Unfortunately this has not happened and SCDC are asking to make parishioners aware of this consultation by placing leaflets in local public places ie libraries etc.

08.11 Sewage pumping station adjacent to 119 Bucklesham Road

Cllr Warham reported that the work on the sewage pumping station had now been completed. As previously circulated a letter had been received from Dr Therese Coffey MP regarding statutory consultees who must be consulted on relevant planning applications. Dr Coffey said that a careful review is being carried out on planning permission.

09.11 Sainsbury's roundabout complaint Yellow Hatchings – Sainsbury's roundabout

No further feedback had been received concerning Sainsbury's roundabout complaints. It was agreed that the Clerk should follow this up with Ipswich Borough Council and report back to the next meeting.

10.11 Murrills Road Play Area

The Clerk reported that SCDC had advised that the play area had been adopted in 2008.

11.11 Parish Plan

It was agreed that this item should be deferred until the next meeting.

12.11 Lay-by A1156

The Clerk reported that she had received a reply from Jason Skilton Suffolk County Council stating that the lay-by is designed for the purpose of accommodating parked vehicles including HGV overnight and that the lay-by was there before the properties were built.

PC Paul Smith stated that he would get in touch with Jason Skilton to discuss the matter. It was agreed the Cllr Warham should raise this issue at the Police Tasking Meeting in January. PC Paul Smith said that he would try and get Jason Skilton to attend the meeting to answer any questions.

13.11 Purdis Farm Railway Noise

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from Jenny Lockington Environmental Health Officer Suffolk Coastal District Council stating that although the Environmental Protection Team has a duty to investigate complaints of statutory nuisance there are exemptions to statutory nuisance action and one of these is under the Railways Act 1993. Therefore, it would not be appropriate to measure noise levels with the intention of comparing them to specific figures. Furthermore, the Council does not provide a service for installing noise monitoring equipment when it is not part of their investigations. The letter went on to say that the Parish Council may wish to inform the residents that they could employ a private noise consultant to take noise readings and interpret this data. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a copy of the letter to the two residents who had lodged a complaint with the Parish Council for comments.

It was agreed that Cllr Day should write a letter to the Evening Star to see if it generates responses from other members of the public.

14.11 Trees – Felixstowe Road

The Clerk reported that a letter had been received from Martin Minta Suffolk Coastal District Council and it was agreed that Cllr Thomas should be approached for his views. Cllr Day and Cllr Wells agreed that it is unlikely that TPOs would be granted on the wood. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact the Archeological Unit at Suffolk County Council concerning the protection of the ancient tomb which is situated in the wood and how this would affect any potential development.

15.11 Cars Parked in the Service Road Felixstowe Road (opposite John Banks Honda Garage)

The Clerk reported that she had received a letter from John Banks (Honda) stating that that they would now be able to alleviate the volume of cars parked in the service road by parking as many vehicles as possible in compound storage space during their quieter months. Further staff will also be encouraged to use the lay-by near to Bob Spalding Marine. It was agreed that the Clerk should send an acknowledgement to the letter.

16.11 Valley Works

The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Patsy Dobson Planning Officer Suffolk Coastal District Council stating that the case was closed as Cate Buck visited the site last year and there did not appear to be any breach of planning control.

It was agreed that the Clerk should reply asking for copies of relevant planning permissions. PC Paul Smith also agreed to take the matter up on behalf of the Parish Council.

17.11 Routs Farm Felixstowe Road

The Clerk reported that she had received an email from Patsy Dobson stating that the site had been visited again and the caravans are still there and that she will be contacting the owners of the site in the near future. It was agreed that the Clerk should follow up.

18.11 Suffolk Coastal Local Development Framework – Consultation on the Reviewed Draft Core Strategy

The Clerk reminded councillors to put forward any comments.

19.11 Ipswich local Development Framework: Core Strategy and Policies Development Plan Document

The Clerk reminded councillors to put forward any comments.

20.11 Parish Council Meeting Dates 2011

The Clerk reported that she had been advised by Trinity Park Events that Wednesday, 13th April 2011 was unavailable for the Parish Council Meeting. Following discussions Cllr Warham proposed, seconded Cllr Briggs that the meeting should be held on Thursday, 14th April 2011.

21.11 Finance

Income

None

Expenditure

Clerk's Salary and Expenses December 2010

Cllr Wells proposed, seconded Cllr Brander that the expenditure should be approved – agreed.

Budget 2011/2012

Councillor discussed the proposed budget and Cllr Wells proposed, seconded Cllr Brander that the Parish Council should accept the budget and the precept for 2011/2012 should be set at £4,400.00.

22.11 Correspondence

The Clerk reported that all correspondence received had been forwarded to councillors during the month.

23.11 Meetings attended by councillors/clerk

None.

24.11 Planning

The Planning Committee considered the following applications:

PC No 972

SCDC Application No: C10/3238 The Waddling Duck, Foxhall Road, Ipswich. Erection of carport.

No objection.

PC No 973

SCDC Application No: C11 Waldringfield Quarry, Brightwell. Regularisation of the installation of a second bagging line within existing building and a second hopper outside.

No objection.

25.11 Members questions to the Chairman

None.

26.11 Any other business

The Clerk reported that she had received an email from a parishioner concerning two items as follows:

Pedestrian Crossing Lights – Murrills Road

In November 2010 it had been reported that the northern down light was out on the pedestrian crossing. Suffolk County Council had since replaced with light with an orange bulb which has left the crossing with one orange and one white down light. This has been reported to SCC but no action has been taken. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact SCC to confirm whether or not it is illegal to have different coloured bulbs on a pedestrian crossing and if so could they replace the orange bulb with a white one.

30 mph Activated Sign

The Clerk reported that the parishioner had requested that the Parish Council speak to Suffolk County Council to ensure that the best location is used for this sign to protect pedestrians, especially children using the pedestrian crossing and not some ineffective compromise some way away from where it is needed.

It was agreed that the Clerk should telephone Suffolk County Council Highways Department to discuss the position of the sign and report back to the next Parish Council Meeting.

26.11 Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 9th February 2011 at Trinity Park preceded by a Planning Meeting at 7.15 pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45 pm.

SignedDate

Angie Buggs
Clerk to Brightwell, Foxhall & Purdis Farm Group Parish Council

