

BRIGHTWELL, FOXHALL & PURDIS FARM GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held at Trinity Park on Thursday, 14th April 2011

Present

Cllr E Warham – Chairman
Cllr A Wells
Cllr R Brander
Cllr A Day
Cllr E Lawrence
Cllr J Booth
Cllr R Pratt
Cllr P Smith
Pc Paul Smith
Mrs A J Buggs – Clerk
1 members of the public

70.11 Apologies for absence

Cllr J Briggs
Cllr A Thomas
Cllr P O'Brien – Suffolk Coastal District Council / Suffolk County Council
Cllr V Falconer – Suffolk Coastal District Council

71.11 Declaration of interest

No declarations of interest were declared.

71.11 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the 9th March 2011 were approved as being a true record and signed by the Chairman.

72.11 Matters arising from the minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

73.11 The meeting was adjourned to receive reports from:

- Suffolk Police – PC Paul Smith – verbal report
- Cll P O'Brien – Suffolk Coastal District Council / Suffolk County Council – no report
- Cllr V Falconer – Suffolk Coastal District Council – no report

The meeting was re-convened.

74.11 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.

Annual Audit

BDO have advised the Parish Council that the date for the annual audit for the financial year 2010-2011 is the 8th July 2011. The Clerk will be preparing for the audit and submitting the documents as per the schedule received from BDO.

Foxhall Landfill/Transfer Station Operating Hours

As previously circulated to all councillors a letter has been received from Suffolk County Council as follows:

“As background to the attached letter, waste management companies have been allowed, under the operating hour condition of the relevant permission, to seek the written approval of the Waste Planning Authority when they have proposed working over Bank Holiday periods.

As such requests have become more frequent; the waste management companies have been requested to seek formal amendment through the planning process for such Bank Holiday periods.

In response, Viridor has now submitted planning applications to address this issue for a number of their sites in the country. You will have been recently consulted on the relevant application. The determination of these applications is likely to be by the Development Control Committee in June 2011.

To accommodate the requirement for Easter 2011 working, Viridor has sought, through the attached letter, the written approval of the Waste Planning authority under the provision of the extant permission.

This written request is being accepted by the Waste Planning Authority for consideration on the basis that its decision will not prejudice the determination of the formal applications. Therefore the Easter requests are standalone considerations.

Given the short time period to Easter, I would appreciate any comments on the requests by 15th April so that a delegated decision can be considered.

Don't be a Loser Campaign

PC Paul Smith and Andy Hillman will be in Purdis Farm on Saturday, 16th April to continue with the above campaign.

They will be meeting on the corner of Mill Road Drive at 10.00 am and then go on from there. If anybody would like to join them they would be more than welcome.

S106 Campaign

An email has been received from Suffolk Coastal District Council regarding the current consultation being hosted by Suffolk County Council on a new countrywide approach to S106 contributions.

The following is a link to the relevant documents and details of whom formal response should be sent to. The consultation comprises 3 documents:

- A Developers' Guide to Infrastructure in Suffolk.

- Topic Papers to support some of the identified contributors
- Code of Practice Protocol.

www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourcouncil/haveyoursay/s106/default.htm

Please note that the closing date for the receipt of consultation responses is 5 pm on the 3rd May 2011.

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

PC Paul Smith report that he had spoken to Cllr O'Brien concerning the placing of double yellow lines and yellow hatchings adjacent to Sainsbury's garage and the possibility of the work being completed as part of the Quality of Life Scheme. Cllr O'Brien has spoken to Angie Rapley Suffolk County Council and the cost of the yellow lines would be approximately £200. Cllr O'Brien is hoping that this work could be paid for out of the Quality of Life Scheme once the funds have been allocated.

76.11 Parish Plan

It was agreed that a meeting should be held on Wednesday, 4th May 2011 at 7.00 pm.

77.11 Lay-by A1156

Cllr Warham said that she had seen Jenny Lockington, who although continuing to record incidents herself, has been unable to consult with other residents concerning the parking of lorries in the lay-by overnight because of family commitments. Cllr Warham said that she had not received any further information to report to the meeting. It was agreed that this item should be deferred until the next meeting.

78.11 Grit Bins

We have received notification from Suffolk County Council Highways Department that we cannot install grit bins on Foxhall Road adjacent to the Nuffield Hospital. The reasons given by Suffolk County Council are that it is a Priority 1 road for gritting and in addition the Highways Department state that the section of the road on Foxhall Road is too dangerous to allow members of the public to put grit on the road.

Positioning of further grit bins in the parishes was discussed. Cllr Lawrence proposed, seconded Cllr Pratt to install grit bins on Woodrush Road (position to be identified). In favour 7, abstained 1.

79.11 Purdis Farm Railway Noise

Cllr Day reported that he had spoken to the local person from Network Rail Deborah Russell and explained the problems the parish were experiencing with railway noise. She had taken very seriously our complaints and offered to do a site visit and agreed to investigate. Cllr Day said that he had also discussed with her the concerns regarding the level crossing and the amount of people using it and she agreed to investigate. However, she did say that if people were using the crossing at night the train driver would sound his horn.

The telephone number for anyone who wants to put in a report of any problems is: 08457114141 which is the Network Rail National Rail Help Line. It was agreed that the help line telephone number should be displayed on the notice boards in Murrills Road and the Felixstowe Road.

80.11 Trees – Felixstowe Road

The Clerk reported that she had received no further feedback from Martin Minta SCDC. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Martin Minta again and report back to the next meeting.

81.11 Valley Works / Routs Farm

The Clerk reported that no information had been received from Cate Buck Suffolk Coastal District Council as to when the enforcement action would be taken. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Cate Buck, copy to Cllr Falconer asking for a reply within seven days. If no reply is received then the Clerk should write to the Chief Executive asking when action would be taken.

82.11 Annual Parish meeting May 2011

The Clerk reported that she had contacted Christine Bond Trinity Park regarding giving a presentation at the Annual Parish meeting but unfortunately she has a prior commitment but she would like to talk to the Parish Council on a future date. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Christine Bond with a view to her giving a presentation at the June Parish Council Meeting. PC Paul Smith agreed that he would approach Anne Powell SCDC Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator to give a presentation on "Setting up a neighbourhood Watch Group in your area / Crime "Hot Spots".

It was agreed that the Clerk would put advertising posters on all Parish Council notice boards and Cllr Brander would put a copy on the website. It was agreed that in view of the small attendance last year individual copies would not be posted through parishioners' doors.

Cllr Warham and Cllr Wells agreed to produce reports for the parishes of Purdis Farm and Foxhall.

83.11 Brightwell Notice Board

The erection of the Brightwell Notice Board was discussed. Cllr Wells reported that the Church Clerk had twice been contacted but no feedback on the positioning of the notice board had been received. It was agreed to defer this item until the next meeting when the new councillor for Brightwell has taken up her office.

84.11 Donation to East Anglian Sailing Trust

Cllr Smith declared an interest in this item and did not take part in discussions.

Cllr Warham said that she had received a letter from the East Anglian Sailing Trust concerning future support for the charity which stated without the support of the Parish Council they would be unable to receive support from Suffolk Coastal District Council. Cllr Pratt proposed, seconded by Cllr Wells that a letter of intention to support the charity should be sent stating that a donation would be made in July 2011. 7 in favour, 1 abstained (Cllr Smith).

85.11 2011 Elections

The list of nominations has been received from Suffolk Coastal District Council and posted on all notice boards. The group parish have received a total of eight nominations (out of a total of 13) therefore an election will not be held. Once the elections have been held on the 5th May we can co-opt a total of five additional councillors.

86.11 Finance

Income

None

Expenditure

Clerk's Salary and Expenses March 2011

Suffolk Association of Local Councils

£618.00

Suffolk Acre Membership Renewal for 2011-2012

£225.00

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

87.11 Correspondence

All correspondence had been dealt with previously.

88.11 Meetings attended by councillors/clerk

Cllr Lawrence reported that he had attended the meeting on the Suffolk County Council Strategic Direction held at SCDC. Cllr Lawrence said that it was important to look at the statutory rights in terms of what Suffolk County Council should provide.

89.11 Planning

The Planning Committee considered the following applications:

PC No 987

SCDC Application No: C11/0468 Forge Cottage, Brightwell Street, Brightwell – Erection of rear conservatory.

No objection.

PC No 988

SCDC Application No: C11/0537 Ipswich Golf Club, Bucklesham Road, Purdis Farm – New practice facility within existing practice area.

No objection.

PC No 989

SCDC Application No: C11 Waldringfield Quarry, Brightwell – Continued use of part of Sand and Gravel Quarry for importance, storage and processing of concrete rubble and soils to provide secondary aggregates.

No objection.

Cllr Brander reported that two additional planning applications had been received which as follows which will be circulated to councillors for comment:

PC No 990

SCDC Application No: C11/0734 Land Adjoining Hillingdon House, Purdis Avenue, Purdis Farm – Use of land for the erection of one dwelling.

PC No 991

SCDC Application No: C11/0776 Hollies Farm, Bucklesham Road, Foxhall – Application for new planning permission to replace extant permission C08/0384 in order to extend time limit for implementation. Erection of rear extension.

90.11 Members questions to the Chairman

None

91.11 Date of next meeting

The next meeting (Annual Parish Council Meeting) will be held at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 5th May 2011 at Trinity Park preceded by The Annual Parish Meetings at 7.00 pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30 pm

Cllr Warham gave a vote of thanks to the retiring councillors for all their hard work during their terms of office on the Parish Council: Cllr Pratt, Cllr Brander who were present at the meeting and also Cllr Briggs and Cllr Thomas who were not in attendance. Proposed Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Warham.

A parishioner raised the question that a clear way sign is missing on the Felixstowe Road. It was agreed that the Clerk would send a report to Suffolk County Council Highways Department.

Signed Date.....

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