

BRIGHTWELL, FOXHALL & PURDIS FARM GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held at Trinity Park at 7.30 pm on Wednesday, 10th April 2019

Present

Cllr E Warham – Chairman

Cllr A Day

Cllr G Watts

Cllr A Finch

Cllr R Walters

Cllr A Wells

Cllr B Newell

Mrs Angie Buggs – Clerk

1 member of the public

56.19 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr E Lawrence, Cllr Patricia O'Brien Suffolk County Council and Cllr Nicky Yeo East Suffolk District Councillor.

57.19 To receive Members' declaration of interest

Cllr Finch declared an interest in Planning Application DC/19/1356/FUL.

58.19 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 13th March 2019 were approved as being a true record.

59.19 Matters arising from the minutes

- a. Cllr Day reported that he had set up an email account for the Parish Council. **Action: Clerk / Cllr Day**

The meeting was adjourned to receive reports from:

Cllr P O'Brien – Suffolk County Council

A new grass cutting programme has been sent to all towns and parishes and will be available on grass cutting webpages on the SCC website in due course.

SCC has recruited new contractors to work with Suffolk Highways to undertake the works. The county has been divided into two areas covered and by two separate contractors, rather than one, to give the grass cutting service greater resilience.

On 28 March it was announced that Suffolk Record Office has been awarded Archive Service Accreditation.

Achieving accredited status demonstrates that Suffolk Record Office has met defined national standards relating to management and resourcing plus the care of its unique collections and the service it offers its entire range of users.

The opening hours for recycling centres in Suffolk will change from the beginning of April. All 11 of Suffolk County Council's centres will be open from 9am to 5pm every day from Monday 1 April to September. The new times will give residents an extra hour to recycle their waste during the summer months.

On Thursdays from May to August, all sites will be open until 7pm. All sites will be closed on Wednesdays.

On Sundays and bank holidays the recycling centres will also be open from 9am to 5pm from April to September.

Suffolk County Council has been successful in securing £1.725 million in extra funding for business broadband roll out.

The funding will cover connection to over 550 businesses across the county where current internet speeds are limited to lower speed connection methods. This funding will also reach a further 600 non-business-related premises that will be able to upgrade to superfast speeds.

The additional funding will contribute towards meeting some of the remaining 2% of the county that is not covered by the existing contracts. Work on connecting these new areas will begin later in 2019.

Good news for SCC Adult Social Care; nationally it is ranked 17th out of 156 local authority areas rated Good or Outstanding.

The Council's Adult Care Service works with the care market through robust contract management. It has worked hard over the last 20 months to develop productive working relationships with care providers.

Cllr Nicky Yeo Suffolk Coastal District Council – no report

Question Time

None

The meeting was re-convened

60.19 Planning

a. General

DC/19/0992 The Bungalow High Trees **Foxhall** - Demolition of building and erection of new two storey dwelling.

Cllr Watts reported that the application was for replacing an existing building with a new dwelling therefore the Parish Council would be recommending approval.

Cllr Watts also reported that the following planning applications were in the process of circulation.

DC/19/1356/FUL Redferns Bucklesham Road Foxhall - Single storey side extension.

DC/19/1401/FUL 88 Bucklesham Road Purdis – Erection of first floor rear extension and insertion of roof light to existing rear single storey roof.

DC/19/1222/FUL The Moorings Felixstowe Road Foxhall – Garaging to frontage and associated works.

DC/19/1231/FUL Foxburrow Farm Brightwell – Change of use of land for use as self-storage facility including the siting of 272 storage containers. Cllr Watts said that the Planning Committee are proposing to object to the application. **Action: Cllr Watts / Clerk**

DC/19/0092/FUL 21 Warren Heath Avenue Purdis Farm – Rear extension with internal alterations plus garage.

Two neighbours have made a formal complaint to Philip Ridley Head of Planning. The Parish Council objected to the application as follows.

“The Group Parish Council discussed this application at its recent meeting. Having noted the concerns raised by the owners of the neighbouring dwellings the Group Parish Council believes that the nature and size of the alterations to the property mean that the resultant building will be out of character with the existing properties in that part of Warren Heath Avenue. It may also be considered to be over dominant which would impact the neighbouring properties outlook and general enjoyment of their private amenity space. In view of these concerns the Group Parish Council objects to this application.”

Changes to East Suffolk Council Planning Department

Cllr Watts reported that a notification had been received detailing the changes to the East Suffolk Council Planning Department as a result of the setting up of the East Suffolk Council. The Planning Department is now split into three areas and there is now a south area Development Management South Team headed by Catherine Scott. Cllr Watts reported that the Planning Referral process has been simplified. It was agreed that the Clerk should circulate the email to all councillors. **Action: Clerk**

Gladmans

Cllr Day reported that Gladmans met with the Foxhall Pools Land or Fuel Allotment Charity two weeks ago. Gladmans state that they are in discussion with Suffolk County Council Highways.

Sheep Drift Farm

Cllr Day reported that he had received a telephone call stating that they had had a meeting with CEG and their Land Agent.

b. Brightwell Lakes

Nothing further to report on the Brightwell Lakes Forum.

c. Local Plan

Cllr Watts reported the Draft Local Plan was submitted to the Planning Inspector on the 29th March and it is likely a hearing will be held in the summer.

d. Sizewell C

Cllr Watts stated that the Parish Council had received an acknowledgement to their comments.

61.19 VAS Sign

Cllr Finch reported that due to pressure of work the VAS had not been relocated. It was agreed that Cllr Walters would contact Suffolk County Council Highways David Chenery regarding placing a pole in the bus shelter to erect the VAS sign. **Action: Cllr Finch / Cllr Walters**

62.19 To discuss the CIL receipts allocated to Foxhall because of the Straight Road Development

The Clerk reported that she had not received a response from David Chenery Suffolk County Council Highways concerning meeting the Parish Council to discuss the Straight Road layout. **Action: Clerk**

63.19 Cameras Straight Road Foxhall

Cllr Walters reported that he now received additional signs. Since the signs have been erected Monument Farm Lane has been clear of fly tipping. Cllr Walters reported that unfortunately cameras cannot monitor all the time due to the capability of the memory cards however the signs appear to be a deterrent. **Action: Cllr Walters**

64.19 Annual Parish Meeting / Annual Parish Council Meeting 8th May 2019

The Clerk reported that the annual meetings would be held at the St Augustine's Church Hall Bucklesham Road. Councillors agreed to report to the Annual Parish Meeting; Purdis Farm Cllr Warham, Foxhall Cllr Day and Brightwell Cllr Newell. The Annual Parish Meeting will start at 7.00 pm and the Annual Parish Council Meeting will follow at 7.30 pm.

65.19 Finance

Income

None

Expenditure

A J Buggs Salary and Expenses March 2019	£3371.93
HMRC Clerks Tax Jan, Feb, March 2019	£184.00
St Augustine's Ipswich – Hire of Hall	£33.75

Cllr Warham proposed, seconded Cllr Watts that the above expenditure is approved – all in favour.

65.19 Correspondence

None

66.19 Meetings attended by councillors / clerk

None

67.19 Members questions to the Chairman

- a. Cllr Finch said he mentioned at the last meeting that a member of the public was going to put a dog bin in Elmham Drive and were prepared to empty it themselves. A vote of thanks was offered to the resident for taking the initiative.
- b. Cllr Walters asked whether the Suffolk County Council Highways could be asked to clear the Bob Nicolas signs as they appear to have increased in numbers in the parishes. **Action: Clerk**
- c. Cllr Walters reported that a mini had been advertised for sale adjacent to the second-hand car showroom, but the owners have now received a police ticket.
- d. Cllr Day reported that the Parish Council needs a point of contact with Network Rail. Network Rail have introduced a lot of safety improvements on the crossing on Felixstowe Road in the way of additional signing. **Action: Clerk**
- e. Cllr Newell reported that the poles are now in place in Foxhall for the fibre broadband to be installed.

68.19 Date of next meeting

Annual Parish Meeting 7.00 pm – Annual Parish Council Meeting 7.30 pm 8th May 2019

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.58 pm

Signed..... Date

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