

Minutes - December Council held on 15th December 2020 at Colkirk Village Hall at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs Charles Joice (in the chair), Colin Barron, Nick Loades, Steve Mulford, Jeanette Paul and Michael Stamford were present.

The clerk Charles Brindley was in attendance.

- 20/078 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Smith (illness). Apologies were also received from County Cllr Kiddle Morris and District Cllr Carter
- 20/079 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr Mulford advised a personal interest in agenda item as he lives on Conference Way. Cllr Paul advised a personal interest in agenda item 7 as an allotment holder. Cllr Paul also advised a personal interest in agenda item 9 as a resident of Conference Way. Cllr Loades advised a personal interest in planning application no 3PL/2020/1303/F as the applicant was known to him.
- 20/080 MINUTES OF MEETINGS DATED 15 SEPTEMBER 2020: as previously circulated, draft minutes were considered. By resolution proposed by Cllr Paul and seconded by Cllr Mulford, it was unanimously **AGREED that the minutes were a true record and these were duly signed by the chairman.**
- 20/081 COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORTS: County Cllr Kiddle Morris submitted a written report that was circulated to members. No report was received from District Cllr Carter.
- 20/082 DOG FOULING: The clerk reported that several instances of dog fouling had come to his attention. Dog fouling on an allotment plot had been reported to him by a tenant, the football club had had to stop a match when dog fouling was found on the football field and more generally dog fouling was an issue around the village and particularly outside the school. The school had been advised to report the issue to Breckland Council who have powers to deal with the problem. It was **AGREED that an item would be placed in the magazine, Breckland would be approached to see if surveillance cameras might be available and anyone who reported issues would be asked to report directly to Breckland.**
- 20/083 SAM2 RESULTS: The sign was located on Dereham Rd and Market Hill in November. Both locations showed similar levels of traffic to that recorded in late 2019. With regards to speed, both sites showed slight decreases to those recorded previously and therefore there was nothing that needed to be reported to the police. The report was **NOTED**
- 20/084 TREE WORKS ON THE ALLOTMENT SITE: A quotation from the council's tree expert for works to 2 oak trees that bound no 5 Timperley Estate was considered. It was **AGREED to authorise the expenditure of £890 for the proposed works to the trees and to arrange for the works to be undertaken before the start of the next growing season.**
- 20/085 PROPOSED MEMORIAL TO POLISH WARTIME VICTIMS: The council considered a letter from local residents seeking support for a project to provide a memorial to the Polish air-men who lost their lives in a crash in Colkirk during World War II. The council **AGREED that it would offer support to the project as outlined in the letter from residents.**
- 20/086 IRAMA LETTER: The council considered a letter about the possible purchase of the playing field. It **AGREED that no consideration of this should be given.**
- 20/087 BUDGET 2021/22: The clerk discussed the proposed budget and explained how a decision on streetlights needed to be taken to inform the budget. Previously, the council had sought further information on provision of LED heads for the lights and this was considered. It was **AGREED that at this time, it was unaffordable and therefore the budget should be set solely accounting for the repainting of the lights as previously identified in an inspection of the lights earlier in the year.**
The budget was then considered and it was **AGREED to set the budget in accordance with the clerk's option B, a balanced budget that provides everything currently supported along with the additional funding to repaint the streetlights. This was proposed by Cllr Mulford and seconded by Cllr Paul.**
As a result of agreeing the budget, it was **AGREED that the precept demand would be set at £9785. This was proposed by Cllr Barron and seconded by Cllr Paul.**

20/088 PLANNING: The council **AGREED the following responses:**
3PL/2020/1233 Cherry Tree Cottage, Oxwick Lane - no objection
3PL/2020/1303 Part of Former Lilac Nursery Site- no objection
The council **NOTED the following response:**
3PL/2020/1124 The Lilacs, School Rd - objection

20/089 PLANNING DECISIONS: The council **NOTED the following decisions:**
3PL/2020/0913/F Hill Crest, Main Dereham Rd - Approved
3PL/2020/0973/D The Oaks, Whissonsett Rd - Approved
3PL/2020/0978/HOU 1 Manor Farm Cottage, Oxwick - Approved

20/090 FINANCE:

The Council **NOTED the December report as follows:**

Receipts: Allotment Key Deposit	£ 5.00
Colkirk FC 1st instalment 2020/21 hire fee	£ 50.00
Interest	£ 0.62
Precept 2nd half 2020/21	£ 4515.50

Bank balances were reported at 27 November 2020 as:

Business Premium Account	£ 4447.24
Community Account	£ 7309.68

Reconciliation with the cash book was confirmed against a cash book balance at 27 November 2020 of £ 11756.92

20/091 ACCOUNTS PAID END OF OCTOBER: The council **NOTED that the following payments had been made**

D/D	E-On Electricity for streetlights 07-09/20	£ 141.69
D/D	ANGLIAN WATER Water supply at playing field 07-09/20	£ 32.19
100928	CGM Grounds Maintenance 09-10/20	£ 719.10
100929	RBS ENGINEERING Tree guard for memorial tree	£ 144.00
100930	RBL POPPY APPEAL Donation for wreath for Remembrance Sunday	£ 70.00
100931	C BRINDLEY Clerk's salary 10-11/20	£ 467.64
100932	HMRC Income Tax 10-11/20	£ 9.00

20/092 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: By resolution proposed by Cllr Paul and seconded by Cllr Barron, the following payments were unanimously **APPROVED for payment**

100933	CGM Grounds maintenance contract 11-12/20	£ 585.70
100934	N LOADES tree, plaque, ties etc for Shaun Dade Memorial	£ 152.57
100935	C BRINDLEY Clerk's salary 12/20	£ 219.45
100936	HMRC Income tax 12/20	£ 1.20

20/093 NORFOLK ALC: It was **AGREED that the chairman would be the council's representative on the newly reconstituted Norfolk ALC**

20/094 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS AND REPORTS: Nothing put forward

20/095 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Provisionally set for 9th March 2021 dependant on the situation with Covid at the time

There being no further advertised business, the Chairman closed meeting at 19.30

Signed as a true record

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