

**Minutes of the ORDINARY Meeting of Haddiscoe Parish Council held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019 7.30pm at Haddiscoe Village Hall.**

**Present:** Mrs S.Daines (Clerk), Mr T.Haycock (Chair), Mr R.Long, Mr J.Knight (until 8.30pm), Mr C.Robinson, Mr M.Jackson, Mr A.Holt, Mr I.Fulcher, Mrs M.Stone (till 8.15pm), Louise Grimmer (visitor) and parishioners Tom & Martha Davis & Stuart Reid.

**Apologies:** Mr R.Beevor

**Minutes of the Last Meeting:** Minutes of the AGM Meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 were read through and agreed by all present.

**Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

**Planning**

BA/2019/0107/FUL: White House Farm, Thorpe Road – Approved by BA

Ref: BA/2019/0025/UNAUP4: Tony Risebrow organised a visit to to Hunter’s Lodge with an Environmental officer from NCC, in the first week of July, at our request. Subsequently, we have received an application through the Broads Authority regarding this Site. It seems Mr Hunt, the owner, does not have the correct planning consent for their present business. Current permission is for B8 (general storage and distribution) & B1 (office and industrial use). They have been advised to apply for a Certificate of Lawful Use rather than a new planning application. Mr Hunt will also be submitting a retrospective application for the stables and building extension that he has already erected.

Ref: BA/2019/0233/FUL: Replacement building on land at Low Road – Approved by BA.

BA/2019/0257/CLEUD – mobile home on Low Road – 10 year Lawful Development Certificate issued by BA.

BA/2019/0289/HOUSEH – Replacement boatshed on Low Road – Mr Haycock declared an interest – BA Approved.

Norfolk Minerals & Waste Preferred Options Consultation – We replied to this before the 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019 deadline with reasons very similar to those raised a few years previous when this proposal initially came up. We would like to thank Mr Farnam, who helped us with advice on our reply. A refusal was sent with the majority of the PC against it, highly supported by the sheer number of parishioners that initially made us aware of the fact they did not want this to go ahead (STOP-IT campaign a few years ago). The clerk became aware at this meeting that Mr Jackson should have declared an interest in this at the last meeting so this is now noted and his comments are now removed from the record.

Work has started on the conversion of the old Crown pub. Councillor Robinson called the Environmental Health Department as they were burning tar and tyres and creating dangerous amounts of black smoke.

**Finance & Administration:** The clerk is just waiting for one more Bank Mandates to be completed so that the signatories on the bank account can be changed to include Mr Long, Mr Fulcher and Mr Haycock.

Chq.495 - £197.76 – Clinks Care Farm – Playground Maintenance

Chq.496 - £96.00 – Mr Bracey – RoSPA Playground inspection

Chq.497 - £50.00 – NORLSAR – Donation

Chq.498 - £50.00 – Norfolk Citizens Advice – Donation

Chq.499 - £200.00 – East Anglian Air Ambulance – Donation

Chq.500 - £200.00 – Suffolk Accident & Rescue – Donation

Chq.501 - £11.32 – Glasdon – Hex Key for poo bins.

The clerk presented the Actual ‘v’ Budget for 2019/2020 to date and the proposed budget for 2020/2021. It was agreed that we should increase the precept by 4% to enable us to cover increasing costs. Mr Fulcher questioned why we are donating to charities when we are falling short of funds to do immediate repairs within the village. The parishioners present along with some of the Parish councillors expressed that they wished for these donations to continue. The clerk explained that this is just something that parish councils do, to support local charities.

**Playground:** It was decided that a RoSPA registered playground company should carry out the repairs to the zipwire seat. The clerk will try and source a local company for this. Mr Long also made us aware that the fence running along the side of the playground on the A143 side is in a bad state of repair and will need to be replaced. Again, the clerk will get some quotes in for this.

**Highways:** Mr Haycock met with Gary Overland on site last week to chase him up on the removal of redundant/unnecessary highway signs.

The clerk was asked to report the 30mph speed signs on Thorpe Road. On one side, the sign has been taken down and the post is currently laying in someone’s front garden (minus the round sign on top) and on the other side, it is obscured by a new fence that a resident has erected.

With reference to the Waveney River Centre Lodge Signs on the triangle outside the village hall - Mr Overland has confirmed that the advertising signs on the Highway are not permitted under the Highway Act, and can be removed by NCC acting as the Highway Authority for Norfolk. It is their priority to maintain the Highway to ensure that it is safe, and free from any defects at their intervention level that could potentially cause harm to Highway users. Mr Knight made it clear at the meeting that he will not be removing these signs as there are other signs in the village that are also breaking this Highway Act.

Mr Overland supplied a contact to see whether we can apply for a fixed camera or get on the rota for a speed camera van to frequently visit the village. Stephen.Askew@norfolk.pnn.police.uk It was agreed that as Mr Fulcher will follow this up as he has access to all the relevant information that they will require.

It was suggested that we could arrange to hire a speed gun so that data could be sent to the police. We have tried to organise this before but were short of volunteers. It was mentioned that this would not do much more than what the SAMS unit is doing at the moment.

New village sign white gates were discussed. The clerk pointed out that these were very expensive and although we could possibly get a grant from the Partnership Grant this is match funded so we would still need to find 50% of the cost, in excess of £1500. In light of the playground fence needing replacing which takes priority, it was agreed that we would hang fire on this and review it again next year.

**A.O.B:** Mr Robinson has erected the poo bin on Low Road. The clerk had to purchase a special hex key to adjust the metal bands that fix the bin to the post. The new bin for Church Lane is now installed. The clerk was given a list of poo bin locations so she can confirm this with SNDC (for emptying). Puddle Lane corner on Low Road, Church Lane/A143 (Church side) and The Loke on Gravel Pit Lane.

The pay & display has been installed at the station car park. The clerk found out that this requires planning permission so at present it is unlawful so not enforceable.

The clerk has chased the missing postbox on Hall Road, still awaiting an answer.

The proposed cycle route across the marsh from Haddiscoe (Low Road) to the railway station, along the old train lines was discussed at length. Mr Haycock produced a map so we could see exactly what route this would take. We would require permission from the landowner, Mr Freddie Squires who owns the old train track and also Long Acre Farm, near the station. Mr Haycock has met with him on three occasions since our last meeting and he is not keen to progress at this stage. He has had past bad experiences with ramblers etc. It was mentioned that in the summer there are cattle grazing so there would be an issue of gates being left open. Also in the winter months, Wildfowlers use this stretch for shooting so there would also be a safety issue. A meeting has been arranged at the Waveney River Centre, at midday on 27<sup>th</sup> November to discuss the possibilities of this project going ahead. In attendance will be Margaret Stone, James Knight, a representative from Aldeby Parish Council, Tim Haycock, Martha Davis (parishioner from Haddiscoe and Matt Haywood the Lead Project Officer from Norfolk County Council. Mr Squires the Landowner has also been invited.

The clerk hand delivered letters to residents along Church Lane (church side) regarding overgrown hedges and trees along Church Lane (Church side). Also a couple of other hedge letters were posted out to residents regarding their overgrown boundaries. Haddiscoe PCC have cleared the hedges adjacent to the south side of the church.

The Land Registration of The Pit had stalled due to confusing signals as to what the Haddiscoe Charity were asking of SNDC. This matter is now in the hands of SNDC's legal department. Trustee Susan Greenwood is leading this.

The clerk distributed the meeting dates for 2020 These dates have been confirmed with the Village Hall. It was suggested that we need to have a meeting every month. This is not necessary and not possible as the village hall is only available to us on the first Monday of the month, but not bank holidays. These also have to be booked at the end of the year for availability the following.

Meeting Closed – 9.30pm