

PASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 3rd March 2016 in the Church, Paston

Present: N Bardswell, P Clabon, C Emberson, D McKeogh, L Nicholson, E Purdy (Chairman); in attendance: Cllrs W Northam (NCC/NNDC) and B Smith (NNDC); two MODP officers briefly.

1. The Chairman welcomed all those present.

2. Declarations of interest – EP re item 6.2

3. The minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on January 7th 2016 were approved, and signed, proposer PC, all in favour.

4. Matters arising

4.1 NCC Highways matters – the Clerk had referred the items from the last meeting to NCC and awaited a reply, particularly about a 30 mph speed limit on the ‘coast road’, which the Clerk would pass info to Cllr WN. A ‘Ranger’ visit had been advised for April; the Clerk would refer them to the potholes near the pond at Paston Green.

4.2 NNDC, fly tipping – this had been reported to NNDC and removed.

4.3 Footpaths – PC offered to repair and re-site the finger post near the pond for which the Council were grateful.

5. Co-option of a member to fill the Council vacancy - there was no applicant - item deferred.

6. Planning

6.1 Mundesley Holiday Village, demolition then 21 holiday lodges (15/1198) – the Council had objected to the application and NB had attended the site meeting today. The officer recommendation is for approval and NB would speak for the Council at the Committee.

6.2 T Purdy Ltd, conversion to dwelling, Jubilee barn, Edingthorpe Road (15/1577) – the Council supported the application.

6.3 Mr G Temple, non-material amendment (roof lights) Green Farm House(14/0294) – approved.

6.4 Mr Mrs A Kerr, detached garage/store, Owl barn, Green Farm Drive (15/1901) – the Council had no objection.

6.5 Conversion of barn to dwelling, The Old Forge, Mundesley Road (15/1683) – the Council had no objection.

7. Finance

7.1 Finance report; the Clerk had advised CGM about the new grass cutting contract for 2016 and had sent them the gate key. NORSE had been advised of the change.

7.2 Payments due were approved by the Council, proposer CE, all in favour:

- NNDC, election 2015 costs	£23.28	(cheque 0724)
- Clerk's expenses (Sep-Feb)	£133.65	(0725)
- T T Jones, lighting maintenance	£117.65	(0726)

The cheques were signed.

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8. Playground

8.1 Health and safety report, and further review of the playground as an amenity; the Council reviewed the current position and discussed options. EP gave a report on input from a parishioner. The Council would continue to seek other views and the Clerk would prepare a 'flyer' to promote the APM so further public contributions can be received before any final decision is taken.

9. Council decisions

9.1 Revised Council's Standing Orders – these had been circulated to members and were agreed, proposer NB, all in favour, and signed; members received the current Financial Regulations for review.

9.2 To review the Council's position on development sites in the village – EP briefed the Council about the need for Paston Parish Council to advise NNDC of any prospective sites and the Clerk was asked to feed in the Bears Road site again for this current process, keeping Cllr BS advised.

9.3 To cast the Council's vote a for a AONB representative for the area – candidates details had been circulated to Members and the Council agreed to support the five nearest (not Hunstanton). The Clerk would submit the vote.

9.4 To consider sending a representative to the Local Coastal Forum at Overstrand (22/3) – details had been passed to Members and it was agreed that NB would attend the meeting in Overstrand on March 22nd. The Clerk would advise Overstrand pc.

10. Clerk's and Councillors' Reports

10.1 Clerk's report – the Clerk advised the Council that the next Coastal Forum is on Tues 8th March at 10am in NNDC's offices at Cromer. He had circulated today's press release about Coastal Defence options to members.

10.2 Community Project report - no report

10.3 Members' reports -

LN suggested regularising the issue of support for Paston graveyard.

NB suggested the Council should provide a dog bin at/near Stow Mill – to next agenda.

CE raised the issue of broadband speeds and possible initiatives to improve them.

EP raised the issues of funding for highway improvements – to next agenda.

EP introduced the almshouses as an item and the Council looked forward to an opportunity for a briefing at the APM.

In open meeting Cllr WN (NCC/NNDC) referred to the 3.99% increase in Council tax at County and a freeze at District. NNDC had been recognised for good staff welfare. There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.55.

Signed

Chairman

Date May 2016