

SNETTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Snettisham Parish Council held on Wednesday, 4th September 2013 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall

Present:

Cllr I Devereux (ID), – Presiding

Cllr J Bailey (JB), Cllr E Fountain (EF), Cllr M Fountain (MF), Cllr A Gascoigne (AG), Cllr A Lamplugh (AL), Cllr D Snelgrove (DS)

Also present: County Cllr J Dobson, Borough Cllrs Z Christopher and A Wright, Alistair Skipper (RFO) and around 14 members of the public

Minutes taken by Simon Bower (Clerk to the Council)

The meeting commenced at 7.30p.m.

Cllr Devereux welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained he would be chairing in the absence of Cllr Langford.

2013.09.04.01 – An **apology** for absence was received from Cllr Langford. Cllr Bailey reported that he felt unwell and apologised in advance if he felt he needed to leave the meeting.

2013.09.04.02 – A **declaration** of interest in 12.f was raised by the Chair who observed that he would defer any items relating to that, unexpected though that was.

2013.09.04.03 – The meeting was suspended for **public** contributions. It was asserted that no thanks had been made to councillors who had resigned – Clerk confirmed this was not the case; he had written.

2013.09.04.04 – No names were put forward for **co-option** to the Council. Five vacancies remain.

2013.09.04.05 – **Chairman's** report: ID informed those present of a talk at St Mary's Church and an appeal for help with dog-walking by a charity; he thanked councillors for their help with the recent accounts inspections, and in particular JB and MF for their work on the Newgate site (photo in Lynn News and local 2014 calendar); he requested further applications for membership of the Market Square WG, and the Clerk's contractor list, and gave advance warning of the closure of Lodge Walk while work is being done.

2013.09.04.06 – *Council approved the minutes of July 3rd meeting.*

Prop: AG; 2nd: DS; unanimous

2013.09.04.07 – **Matters arising:** planning application; memorial – work to start soon; chickens – man written to by Clerk, thought to have moved.

2013.09.04.08 – *Council approved the **minutes** of July 24th meeting.*

Prop: MF; 2nd: AL; unanimous

2013.09.04.09 – No matters arising

2013.09.04.10 – **Cllr Dobson** reported: a further meeting re:beach signage in October; NCC working on waste disposal sites, including the incinerator – a majority of councillors were opposed at election time – result in next few weeks; NCC expected to reduce spending by £182m to meet government targets; money was available for improvements to education. **Cllr Christopher** reported that the

Signed:

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proposed Heacham development had been rejected by BCKLWN, and that the pontoon in Lynn was functioning well. **Cllr Wright** reported that the Southgate Lane land was NCC property, they would be coming later in the year to tidy.

2013.09.04.11 – The Clerk read two written **Police** reports. 33 calls to Police in June, 43 in August. The Chair referred to horse and equipment thefts locally.

2013.09.04.12.a – The **RFO** reported: Barclays £4,000 cheque had been received; photocopying bill was high due to Newsletter printing being done – this would be re-charged at year end; mileage costs were higher than planned; a £360 cheque for the Clerk's training course; maintenance costs should be viewed with maintenance person budget being used; business rates on the beach toilets had not been expected – Clerk to inquire further; rebate from TROD2; car park seemed fine – Clerk confirmed would be in the black. There were no worries.

2013.09.04.12.b – Question raised on allotment water invoice – Clerk to raise. Chair explained that in absence of Cllr Langford most cheques would be signed on his return; however salary cheques had been signed by him already and DS would complete process. A donation from Ridgeon's questioned – to refer to Cllr Langford on return. *Council agreed to approve signing of cheques.*

Prop: MF; 2nd: AL; unanimous

2013.09.04.12.c – Report from Clerk on membership of **LCAS**, an advice agency relating to SPC's insurers. Meeting to be attended in October by Clerk. *Council agreed to join LCAS at a cost of £95pa.*

Prop: MF; 2nd: AG; unanimous

2013.09.04.13.a.i – ID reported on **4 applications**, affecting 3 developments. He drew attention to the criteria on which applications were judged particularly with relation to applications for Zorbing site (several criteria) and new Hairdresser's (parking).

2013.09.04.13.a.ii.1 – *Council agreed to **object** to change of use from agricultural land to be used as seasonal zorbing and fun area, of land on the south side of Beach Road, reference 13/00914/CU.*

Prop: AG; 2nd: EF; unanimous

2013.09.04.13.a.ii.2.a – Relating to change of use of 14 Lynn Road to hairdressers and beauty salon. Councillors spent considerable time discussing parking problems, and no one was prepared to propose the resolution. Clerk to inform planning department.

2013.09.04.13.a.ii.2.b – *Council voted to **approve** a single storey extension to the rear of 18 Southgate Lane which extends beyond the rear wall by 4.8m with a maximum height of 3.2m and a height of 2.4m to the eaves, subject to compliance with Building Regulations and the selection and use of harmonious materials, reference 13/00010/PD*

Prop: MF; 2nd: DS; unanimous

2013.09.04.13.a.ii.3 – ID went through history of BCKLWN plan for housing in the Borough. As SPC had previously agreed to plans for housing in the Old Station Yard and the Tapping House site a resolution was put forward to ensure that BCKLWN were reminded of this if questions were raised in future over Snettisham not being allocated its full quota: *Council agreed that comments are made as part of **KLWNBC Detailed Policies & Sites Plan** consultation to rectify the omissions from the previous consultation, to qualify acceptance of the Common*

Road site with concerns expressed by Councillors and any other comments considered appropriate by the Clerk and Chair, before the 4th October deadline.

Prop: MF; 2nd: AL; unanimous

The Public were encouraged by the Chair to attend the meeting on September 18th in the Memorial Hall, at which the plans would be outlined and discussed.

2013.09.04.13.b.i – MF summarised the written report submitted.

2013.09.04.13.b.ii – After receiving assurances on insurance cover: *Council agreed to accept the offer by Cllr Lamplugh to arrange for the **benches** to be replaced in both bus shelters.*

Prop: AG; 2nd: MF; unanimous

2013.09.04.13.b.iii – *Council agreed the **planting** programme as outlined in the written report.*

Prop: AL; 2nd: DS; unanimous

2013.09.04.13.b.iv – *Council agreed a **budget** of £500 for the above planting programme.*

Prop: AL; 2nd: DS; unanimous

RFO to add this to the monitoring form.

2013.09.04.13.c – no report

2013.09.04.13.d – ID reported that the Committee structure was being developed, but that in the meantime he would be asking for proposal at next meeting that Council have an additional meeting in October for budget and other planning. [During this a commotion outside caused the meeting to be suspended from 8.45-8.48]

2013.09.04.13.e and f – no reports

2013.09.04.14 – it was reported that WECMS had “imploded” once discussion of costs had begun. No other meetings reported on.

2013.09.04.15 – no items raised

2013.09.04.16 – Public Speaking. Issues raised: drains; time of meeting in Hunstanton relating to BCKLWN housing plans – car parking problem etc.; former councillors and thanks; meeting in private session for Townlands session.

2013.09.04.17 – Next meeting to be held on Wednesday 2nd October at 7.30pm.

Meeting suspended 8.57pm; re-opened 9.03pm

2013.09.04.18 – Council went into private session as per agenda announcement.

2013.09.04.19 to 22 – No decisions made; Clerk to provide written report.

Meeting concluded 9.12pm