SNETTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS 2014-2015

Date Of Meeting	7 th May 2014
Type of Meeting	Annual Parish Council Meeting
Number of Meeting within Year	1st
Chair	Cllr Eric Langford
Minutes approved at meeting on	19 th June 2014
Amendments to Minutes at next meeting	None
Pages in minutes	4

SNETTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Snettisham Parish Council held on 7th May,2014 at 7.00 p.m. in the Memorial Hall.

Present:

Cllr E Langford (EL) - 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 in attendance: County Cllr J Dobson Approximately 25 members of the public

Minutes taken by Simon Bower (Clerk to the Council)

The Chairman welcomed Councillors and the Public, and explained that this meeting was happening at the time of the previously arranged Annual Parish Meeting, hence the earlier start time.

The meeting began at 7.05pm

2014.05.07.01 – **Election of Chair** - one nomination. *Eric Langford was reelected as Chairman.*

Prop: MF; 2nd: AG; 6-0

2014.05.07.02 – The Chairman read and signed the **Declaration of Acceptance** of Office.

2014.05.07.03 – No nominations were received for **Vice-Chair**. MF spoke saying all Councillors were supportive of the Chair (see note \$), and none of them wished to stand for Vice-Chair.

2014.05.07.04 - n/a

2014.05.07.05 – There were no **apologies** from Parish Clirs; Borough Clir Avril Wright had sent apologies.

2014.05.07.06 – There were no **declarations** of interest.

2014.05.07.07.a — Council agreed to absorb the Beach Support Group into the new Open Spaces Group.

Prop: MF; 2nd: AG; unanimous

2014.05.07.07.b – Membership of Support Groups etc. was agreed as:

Planning - DS, EF, JB

Amenities - MF, JB, EF, AG, AL, DS

Open Spaces - AL, JB, EF, MF, AG, DS

Governance - EL, DS, MF, AL

Personnel – EL, AG, MF

Beach Footpath WG – EL, MF, AL, Lilian Richardson

(first named in each group as Lead Councillor)

2014.05.07.08 – The meeting was suspended for **public contributions**. Issues raised were: why are there no **committees** as had been agreed – number of

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(Chair)

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councillors means most decisions are taken by whole Council in any case (especially finance); **email** to parishioner not received – MF agreed was sent in her presence and parishioner asked to furnish up-to-date address; **registration** of Commons and other land with Land Registry (LR) – advice received that Commons registration not allowed with LR, and other land in hands of solicitors.

2014.05.07.09 – No candidates had applied for **co-option** as councillors.

2014.05.07.10 – The Chair announced that SPC and the RFO had parted company. Interim measures were in place to ensure financial issues dealt with; Gay Watt would be responsible for the end of year accounts and Mazar's submission. Over 1000 people had attended the mass walk along the footpath on Sunday 4th May. A rededication ceremony would be held at the War Memorial on Monday 7th July at 6pm – the Bishop to be attending.

2014.05.07.11 – *Minutes of 31*st *March were approved.*

Prop: AG; 2nd; EF; unanimous

2014.05.07.12 – No **matters** arose from the above

2014.05.07.13 – *Minutes of 9*th *April were approved.*

Prop: AL; 2nd: EF; unanimous

2014.05.07.14 – **Matters arising** from the above: a further administrative error by Santander had caused them to raise their compensation offer to £500

2014.05.07.15 – JD commented on the **NCC** structural change from a cabinet system to a committee pattern; each of the five would meet seven times a year. More decisions would be taken by full council as had not happened with the incinerator and unitary authority questions.

2014.05.07.16 – **PC Ian McCrae** commented on the overall **crime** situation in the Hunstanton and Burnham areas; there had been several incidents of ASB, burglary, theft, domestic violence and motor vehicle offences. These were principally not in Snettisham, but gave a picture of the overall situation in the area. The next **SNAP** meeting would be on 3rd July at 6pm – current concerns ASB, speeding and dog-fouling. Asked about visits to the Coal Yard area he confirmed this would be actioned.

2014.05.07.17.a&b – Clerk pointed out that he had produced a list of **payments** to be made. Due to time constraints and recent handover this did not include all Direct Debits, and income had not been paid in. Next month would have full figures for first quarter. *Cheque payment was agreed*, with correction to Thaxter's from figures circulated - £393.72.

Prop: AG; 2nd: AL; unanimous

2014.05.07.17.c — Council agreed the appointment of Michael Ruston as **internal** auditor for 2014/15.

Prop: EF; 2nd; JB; unanimous

2014.05.07.18.d – following discussion in 8 above, this was deferred to acquire definitive opinion.

2014.05.07.18.e – Council approved the renewal of the current insurance provision. Clerk informed Council that the "tie-in" period with Zurich expired next year.

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2014.05.07.18.a.ii.1 – Council objected to **application** 14/00492 (18 Beach Rd) on the grounds that this was retrospective approval for breach of original planning conditions.

Prop: DS; 2nd; AL; 6-0

2014.05.07.18.a.ii.2 — Council agreed to **application** 14/00522(33 Lynn Rd) with its usual caveat that this new dwelling increases the strain on Village infrastructure, particularly sewerage/drainage.

Prop: DS; 2nd: EF; 6-0

- **2014.05.07.18.a.ii.3** Concern was expressed that, given other signs had been removed, allowing this one (**application** 14/00528 by-pass) was inconsistent. No vote.
- **2014.05.07.18.a.ii.4** Council agreed with **application** 14/00572 (37 Station Rd) as there was no additional strain on Village resources.

Prop: DS; 2nd: EF; unanimous

2014.05.07.18.a.ii.5 – Council rejected the proposal to support **application** 14/00600 (81 Lynn Rd) on the grounds that this had the sewerage, drainage and access issues of another new dwelling in the Village.

Prop: DS; 2nd EF; 2-5

2014.05.07.18.a.ii.6 – No vote on **application** 14/00622 (7 Ken Hill Close).

2014.05.07.18.b.ii - Item deferred due to lack of quote

2014.05.07.18.b.iii – Council agreed that a strong letter should be sent requesting a **speed limit** on the bypass through the Village, copied to MP.

Prop: AL; 2nd: MF; unanimous

2014.05.07.18.b.iv – Council agreed to the lower quotation (AB Crook) for painting **railings** at the War Memorial and at the Crossing, subject to assurances over materials, and including a deposit of £100.

Prop: AL; 2nd: EF; unanimous

2014.05.07.18.c&d – no reports

2014.05.07.18.e – The personnel group would need to meet to discuss the **RFO** position.

2014.05.07.18.f - no report

2014.05.07.19 – no reports from external bodies.

2014.05.07.20.a — Council agreed to allow the **Newsletter** Group to become independent of the Council.

Prop: MF; 2nd: AL; unanimous

2014.05.07.20.b – Council agreed for cheque for £50 to **Newsletter** to be signed, from current surplus, to allow account to be opened.

Prop: EF; 2nd: JN; unanimous

2014.05.07.21 – **A.O.B**. Clerk reported that **Bus Stop** sign was being dealt with between service provider and NCC. A **planning** meeting was being arranged to discuss planning issues with BCKLWN officials – this could involve other local councils.

2014.05.07.22 – no agenda items raised.

2014.05.07.23 – The meeting was suspended to allow for **Public Participation**. Issues raised were: extent of **speed limit** in 18.b.iii above – Clerk suggested that letter would not be too specific; explanation sought of **Newsletter surplus** –

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confirmed that no Council money was being used and £500 set aside in budget would be released; lack of reply to **email** – apologies given.

2014.05.07.24 – Next ordinary **meeting** confirmed as 4th June, 2014 in Memorial Hall at 7.30pm. The **Annual Parish Meeting** would be held on 21st May at 7pm in the Memorial Hall*.

The meeting ended at 8.58pm

notes:

\$-By request, the verbatim remarks were: "we would like to nominate Eric as Chair for the following reasons: we need and have strong leadership in Eric; someone with managerial and organisational skills and dedication; someone who can work as a team member. There are only a few of us but through adversity we have gelled and become a strong team working together with Eric as our Chair, whom we all respect. We have achieved many things both in public and behind the scenes with many on-going projects for the benefit of the village. Eric loves the village and is committed to it and seeing it prosper. We would like to nominate Eric as Chair again."

*- this verbal arrangement confirmed in writing on 8/5/14.

Signed: Cang (Chair)

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