## SNETTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Snettisham Parish Council held on Wednesday 3rd December, 2014 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall

Present:

Cllr E Langford (EL) – Presiding

Cllr R Barker (RB), Cllr E Fountain (EF), Cllr M Fountain (MF), Cllr A Gascoigne (AG), Cllr A Lamplugh (AL), Cllr R Pugh (RP), Cllr D Snelgrove (DS)

Also in attendance: County Cllr J Dobson (JD), Borough Cllr A Wright (AW) Approximately 10 members of the public

Minutes taken by Simon Bower (Clerk to the Council)

Meeting commenced at 7.35

- **2014.12.03.01** There were **apologies** for absence from JB and AT; Council accepted these without a vote.
- **2014.12.03.02** The Clerk reported that all Councillors were residents of the Village and had pecuniary **interest** in budget discussions. To allow the process to continue a **dispensation** had been granted.
- **2014.12.03.03** The meeting was suspended to allow for **Public Participation**. Council was requested to consider avoiding a rise in the final **precept** figure. Discussion ensued about the historical issues involved in this.
- **2014.12.03.04** There were no applications for **Co-Option**.
- 2014.12.03.05 The Chairman reported that Council had finally received advice and options from NRCC on the Townlands Charity, including possible sale, transfer etc., and the Common rights which obtain. This would be covered in the Trustee meeting following. On the VAT issue he reported agreement had been reached, with the final calculated figure to be confirmed.
- **2014.12.03.06** The **minutes** of the meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> November having been sent to Councillors in advance and no objections being raised, these were taken as read.
- **2014.12.03.07 Arising** from these minutes, EL reported that he had not received a hard copy of allegations made at the previous meeting, and he regarded it as agreed that these were not a Council matter.
- 2014.12.03.08 AW reminded those present of LILY, the BCKLWN information website. She reported she had attended a successful meeting with planners and AL/Clerk. JD hoped the financial issues surrounding flooding funding might be resolved; these were being discussed in January by NCC. He further reported his actions regarding the beach signage problems; he was seeking larger clearer signs and answers to why there seemed to be an impasse.
- **2014.12.03.09** SB read from a recent **Police** report. The only recorded incident in Snettisham was damage to a wind turbine.
- **2014.12.03.10.a** The Clerk reported on the current expenditure against **budget**: most budgets were in line with plans; several had now completed their main spending only personnel would be exceeding budget as previously noted. Balance of SPC Barclays accounts stood at £56,000.

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**2014.12.03.10.b** – One additional direct debit payment was noted (already approved) - for photocopier rental. *Council approved the expenditure on all items.* 

Prop: MF; 2<sup>nd</sup>: AL; unanimous

**2014.12.03.10.c** – Council approved funding for **membership** of CPRE.

Prop: EF; 2<sup>nd</sup>: AG; unanimous

- **2014.12.03.10.d** Council considered version 3 of the proposed **budget for 2015/16**. Each section was explained by the Clerk, and Council expressed understanding of the figures and their presentation. The current proposal required £87,262, excluding most income, of which only about £10K was not necessary to meet legal and maintenance obligations; this figure to be adjusted in line with developments and further support group meetings, and a revision presented to Council at next meeting.
- **2014.12.03.11.a.i** DS introduced **planning** applications. Clerk reported on meeting with planners and their suggestions of how best to influence BCKLWN decision making.
- **2014.12.03.11.a.ii** Council objected to Planning **Application** 14/01279 (58 Park Lane) on the grounds that the plan, previously rejected, had not been fundamentally altered by the revision proposed.

Prop: DS; 2<sup>nd</sup>: unanimous

**2014.12.03.11.a.iii** – Council objected to outline Planning **Application** 14/01636 (24a Common Road); it requested an assurance that Anglian Water be consulted, to confirm the drainage system could cope with the extra stress of three additional dwellings.

Prop: DS; 2<sup>nd</sup>: MF; unanimous

- **2014.12.03.11.b** no report on **Amenities**.
- **2014.12.03.11.c.i** AL reported a meeting with Clerk to cost **Open Spaces** budget proposals.
- **2014.12.03.11.c.ii** EL presented a detailed report on the latest problems with **signage** at the Beach. *Council resolved that the Clerk should write to NCC giving a series of additions and corrections, and note that Council may take legal advice over NCC's refusal to take down other signs.*

Prop: EL; 2<sup>nd</sup>: RP; unanimous

**2014.12.03.11.d.ii** – Council resolved to trial a "**facebook**" page for three months; this to be for information output, and not open yet for comments.

Prop: RB; 2<sup>nd</sup>: EF; 7-0

**2014.12.03.11.d.iii** – Council resolved that the Clerk should write to BCKLWN ending its provision of the **Council Information Point** (CIP).

Prop: MF; 2<sup>nd</sup>: AL; unanimous

**2014.12.03.11.f.i.1** – Council resolved to task the Street Lighting WG to consider additional street **lighting** subject to its budgetary limit.

*Prop: AL; 2<sup>nd</sup>: AG: unanimous* 

- **2014.12.03.12** Clerk reported that he would be attending planning and cemetery **training** sessions during the next month.
- **2014.12.03.13.a** Council approved a donation of £25 to the Norfolk Accident Rescue Service.

Prop: AL; 2<sup>nd</sup>: DS; unanimous

**2014.12.03.13.b** — Council approved a donation of £75 to Norfolk AgeUK.

Prop: AG; 2<sup>nd</sup>: MF; unanimous

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- **2014.12.03.14/15** no **AOB** or councillor **requests.**
- 2014.12.03.16 The meeting was suspended for further Public Participation. Issues raised were the lighting in Station Road – would be reviewed after installation; CIP – comment that most functions already being dealt with by Clerk; defibrillator location – reminder that this was suggested by emergency services on set-up.
- **2014.12.03.17** Next **meeting** confirmed as Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

Meeting ended at 9.05.

Abbreviations: BCKLWN - Borough Council; NCC - County Council; SPC - Snettisham Parish Council

Signed: (Chair)

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