

SNETTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Snettisham Parish Council held on Wednesday, 2nd November, 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall

Present:

Cllr R Barker (RB) – Presiding

Cllr J Bateson (JBn), Cllr M Billington (MB), Cllr S Dark (SD), Cllr M Fountain (MF), Cllr P Morton (PM), Cllr S Pipe (SP), Cllr R Pugh (RP), Cllr D Snelgrove (DS), Cllr A Todd (AT), Cllr D Westwood (DW)

Also in attendance: Borough Cllr A Wright (AW)

Approximately 12 members of the public

Minutes taken by Simon Bower (Clerk to the Council)

The meeting commenced at 7.32pm

2016.11.02.01 – Apologies were received from Cllr Bailey, BCKLWN Cllr Devereux and NCC Cllr Dobson.

2016.11.02.02 – There were no **declarations** of interest.

2016.11.02.03 – Public participation: A Clarkson thanked the Clerk for work on establishing exact position re: access to Barker's Pond; B Almey commented on the nature of Southgate Lane, bearing in mind its name; A Thomson asked about zebra crossing at Co-op – NCC have ruled out, and are investigating a school crossing patrol (unlikely).

2016.11.02.04 – The **Chair** remarked on arrangements for Remembrance Sunday; Councillors and partners encouraged to parade. A short Church service will take place. RP had opened the Co-op (with foam scissors). Thanks to the TORC team for latest issue. The Crowded Room art project will take place later in November, and all residents encouraged to keep eyes open for details and join in. Clerk mentioned that buses will be re-routed via Strickland Avenue when Lynn Rd closed for Anglia Water works – has asked for a temporary stop near Parish Office.

2016.11.02.05 – *The **minutes** of the meeting on 5th October, 2015, having been previously circulated were taken as read.*

2016.11.02.06 – There were no matters **arising** from those minutes.

2016.11.02.07 – AW stated that **BCKLWN** were reviewing grass-cutting with an aim to be more flexible following numerous complaints. Devolution would be being discussed before the end of this month. She apologised for possible absence on Remembrance Day. PM asked re: position on Heacham LiDL store – AW to investigate. Clerk reported that Cllr Devereux had thanked everyone for contributions after the death of his wife – a cheque for £7,500 had been presented to Tapping House.

2016.11.02.08 – No **Police** report – Clerk referred to email warning people to use seat-belts.

2016.11.02.09.a – Clerk reported on **budgets** – no budget now overspent on to-date figures.

2016.11.02.09.b – *All **expenditure** listed was approved by consensus.*

2016.11.02.10.a – *By consensus there were no objections to the following **planning** matters:*

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- i. Application 16/01484 – conservatory at 123 Lynn Rd
- ii. Application 16/01769 – extension 65 Station Rd – materials to match
- iii. Application 16/01838 – removal of phone boxes in the Village
- iv. Sending of letter re: fencing at Common, draft of which was in pack

MB referred to the new LDF (running to 2036) and the need for Neighbourhood Plan referendum to be before new legislation introduced.

2016.11.02.11.b.i – *By consensus Council agreed that Open Spaces and Amenities Groups should be combined, and that all members should be on the resulting group.*

2016.11.02.10.b.i.2 – *It was agreed that SD should be Lead Councillor of this Group.*

Prop: MF; 2nd: PM; unanimous

RB thanked MF for her work over her five years as Lead Councillor of Amenities.

2016.11.02.10.b.ii – *It was agreed with one objection that up to £110 could be spent on clearing the pit at the Common.*

2016.11.02.10.b.iii – *It was agreed by consensus to allow a memorial bench, made by David Lamplugh in his wife's memory, to be sited at the Common. Thanks were offered to David. NB Council confirmed that it believed this needed no outside permission based on reading of relevant information.*

2016.11.02.10.b.iv – *Expenditure of c£90 was agreed by consensus for a plaque for the bench above.*

2016.11.02.10.b.v – *It was agreed by consensus to adopt the two red phone boxes for £1 each. The exact use of these was discussed and a decision deferred to Amenities Group.*

2016.11.02.10.b.vi – *It was agreed by consensus to remove the Council noticeboard on the Market Square bus shelter.*

2016.11.02.10.b.vii – *It was agreed by consensus to spend £40 on cleaning the War Memorial.*

2016.11.02.10.b.viii – *It was agreed by consensus to purchase a new flag.*

2016.11.02.10.b.ix – *It was agreed by consensus to spend c£250 on road closure equipment.*

2016.11.02.10.b.x – *It was agreed by consensus that the Clerk should prepare an outline bid for match-funding of £4,000 from NCC for extension(s) to current TRODs on Beach Rd. This to be put to public at 2017 Open Meetings.*

2016.11.02.10.b.xi.1 – *It was agreed by consensus to accept quotation for a new gate to the side of the Office.*

2016.11.02.10.b.xi.2 – *It was agreed by consensus to accept quotation for repairs to the tree guard for the Market Square.*

2016.11.02.10.b.xi.3 – *It was agreed by consensus to accept quotation for replacement of the bus shelter seat.*

2016.11.02.10.b.xi.4 – Council thanked DW and her husband Steve for the offer to cut and treat birch trees on the Common heather-bed, agreeing to proceed with this.

2016.11.02.10.c.i – After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that a new policy on vexatious correspondence needed amendment. Clerk to call meeting of Working Group.

2016.11.02.10.d.i – *Council agreed to spend £25 on a Grants and Funding Workshop place.*

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Prop: MF; 2nd: RP; unanimous

2016.11.02.10.e.i – Council agreed to install new street light in Station Road.

Prop: RP; 2nd: MF; unanimous

2016.11.02.11 – MF reported that WECMS had met, and that there was sufficient funding for the scalping this year. NCC continued to take no action.

2016.11.02.12.a – *It was agreed by consensus to give permission for the Market Square to be used for the Christmas lights and Tree for 2016-2018.*

2016.11.02.12.b – *It was agreed by consensus for the Christmas Fair and Carols event to take place on the Market Square for 2016-2018.*

2016.11.02.12.c – *It was agreed to make a donation of £100 to Classical Music Rocks.*

Prop: MF; 2nd: RP; 8-2, 1 abst

2016.11.02.12.d – Discussion took place on allowing use of the Office address by Classical Music Rocks. Clerk to confirm legal implications.

2016.11.02.12.e – *A draft letter supporting Edward Stanton's attempts to ensure the continuation of permissive footpaths was approved.*

2016.11.02.12.f – *It was agreed to make a donation of £50 to the British Red Cross (Suffolk and Norfolk).*

Prop: PM; 2nd: DS; 9-1, 1 abst

2016.11.02.13 – Clerk reported on Office closure and a day's leave.

2016.11.02.15 – Public participation: A Clarkson asked about the footpath booklet – volunteers to be sought to walk and photograph paths; G Deverick thanked Council for allowing the Scouts' prize draw to take place prior to the meeting; H Blackburn asked about bank account address for Classical Music Rocks; C Mardon asked if Saffron leaving the Village had any consequences – none.

2016.11.02.16 – *Next meeting confirmed as 7.30 in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday, 7th December.*

As item 10.c.i had been deferred, items 17 and 18 were withdrawn.

Meeting closed 9.15pm

Abbreviations:

BCKLWN – Borough Council; LDF – Local Development Framework; NCC – County Council; (S)PC – (Snettisham) Parish Council;

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