SNETTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Snettisham Parish Council held on Wednesday, 6th February, 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall Present:

Cllr R Pugh (RP) - Presiding

Cllr J Bateson (JB), Cllr M Billington (MB), Cllr G Byrne (GB), Cllr S Dark (SD), Cllr G Deverick (GD), Cllr P Morton (PM), Cllr H Platt (HP)

Also in attendance approximately 9 members of the public

Minutes taken by Simon Bower (Clerk to the Council)

Meeting started at 7.32pm

- **2019.02.06.01** There were **apologies** for absence from Cllrs Barker, Carey and Snelgrove, and from BCKLWN Cllr Devereux.
- **2019.02.06.02** GD declared an **interest** in item 10.a.i
- **2019.02.06.03 Public Participation**: Bob Almey asked about the prospective developer for the Poppyfields site Clerk noted that there would be meetings on 21st and 23rd February, and information from Pigeon about these delivered to all properties on c.8/2/19.
- **2019.02.06.04** As **Chairman**, RP noted that, in the absence of a Police report (8 below), people should be aware of latest scams, including those allegedly from HMRC advised never to give bank details etc. Street lights had been installed in Station Rd/The Avenue awaiting switch-on. The work on the ditches on Common Rd and A149 were a "good job", and should hopefully improve the drainage. A Snettisham man had been fined £1,500 for fly-tipping; good to hear that action was being taken. Councillors were asked to look at the PC areas of the Village with a view to suggesting things to be done by contractors; this to be discussed at an Amenities Meeting.
- **2019.02.06.05** The **minutes** of the meeting on 9th January, 2019, having been duly circulated, were accepted without amendment, and duly signed.
- **2019.02.06.06 Arising** from those minutes, the Clerk apologised that the drainage meeting proposed had yet to be arranged.
- 2019.02.06.07 For NCC, SD advised that NCC would be setting its budget on 11/2/19. On the ditches referred to above, he noted that due to them being cleared to a lower level, access to the drainage chamber had been possible, and this had allowed for some Anglian Water pipes to be flushed as well. On speed cameras, these would be happening, but there was an undertaking to improve junctions, with Babingley stretch and Beach Rd to Heacham having 50mph limits. SD had used some of his funds, with Dersingham PC, to provide bus stops at the surgery there. Questions were asked: timing of road changes (HP) this financial year; clarification on location of changes (MB); cameras picking up motorcyclists (PM) no. Clerk noted that there had still been no information provided directly to SPC, and he would be writing protesting this and lack of consultation.

2019.02.06.08 – no **Police** report.

2019.02.06.09.a – There were no questions on the **budget monitoring** report.

2019.02.06.09.b – All **expenditure** listed was agreed without objection.

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- MB led **Planning** comments in the absence of Cllr Snelgrove. Projection was used to display the planning items.
- **2019.02.06.10.a.i** [GD repaired to public seating for this item.] *Council agreed to repeat its support for all-year round occupancy at 18 Beach Rd, and to note anomaly from previous* **Appeal** at a Beach property.
- **2019.02.06.10.a.ii** Council agreed to make no objection to PA 19/00066 (91 The Beach), again noting previous anomalies.

Prop: MB; 2nd: RP; unanimous

- **2019.02.06.10.a.iii** Council agreed to support PA 19/00072 (78 Station Rd).

 Prop: MB; 2nd: RP; unanimous
- **2019.02.06.10.a.iv** Council agreed to object to PA 19/00109 (2 Park Lane) on the grounds that carrstone should be included (not removed), as per SNP05.

 Prop: MB; 2nd: several; unanimous
- **2019.02.06.10.a.** add. Council agreed to support PA 19/00197 (solar panels on Pavilion).

Prop: MB; 2nd: HP; unanimous

2019.02.06.10.a. add. — Council agreed to support PA 19/00200 (16B Bewick Close).

Prop: MB; 2nd: RP; unanimous

- **2019.02.06.10.a.v** Council agreed, with no objection, to support BCKLWN in their proposals to rationalise **addressing** around the Old Coal Yard.
- **2019.02.06.10.a.vi** Council agreed, with no objection, a draft letter to residents around the Station Rd and Beach Rd convergence, seeking opinions on possible **readdressing**.
- **2019.02.06.10.b** RP noted the increase in **dog** mess at the Common, on Goose Green Rd, and on certain footpaths. *Council agreed expenditure of up to £250 on signs, designs to be circulated to councillors, possibly including how to report and press reports of prosecutions.*

Prop: RP; 2nd: MB; unanimous

- **2019.02.06.10.c.i** Clerk referred to May **elections**, and suggested a social session to encourage, and provide information to, prospective councillors. *Council agreed to such a session at 6.45 prior to the next meeting, subject to interest via RSVP.*
- **2019.02.06.10.c.ii** Council agreed that the Office should provide assistance to prospective councillors, but that responsibly for submission of nomination papers should remain with applicants.
- **2019.02.06.10.c.iii** Council agreed to dissolve the WWI Commemoration WG, the Neighbourhood Plan WG, and the Parking WG (this to be absorbed into Project Development WG).
- **2019.02.06.10.d** A **Personnel** matter to be discussed in private session later.
- **2019.02.06.10.e** MB explained all Councillors were on the Project Development WG, with two MHT and three members of public. Other volunteers were encouraged to contact the Clerk. Clerk noted SPC/MHT plans would be presented in the TORC.
- **2019.02.06.10.e.i** *Project Development WG terms of reference to be proposed by WG itself.*
- **2019.02.06.10.e.ii** Annual Parish Meeting to be mainly a presentation of joint SPC/MHT proposals for the public.

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- **2019.02.06.10.e.ii.1** The Annual Parish Meeting to take place in the Memorial Hall at 7pm on Wednesday 8th May, with presentations open from 6.30pm.
- **2019.02.06.10.e.iii** Council agreed the wording of a public statement about the Pigeon Meetings in February, encouraging people to attend.
- **2019.02.06.10.f** Notes of a meeting between Councillors, WG members and Norfolk Wildlife Trust at the **Common** were available. Clerk went through the various recommendations; due to a later meeting with contractor, all agenda items were dealt with, but, as some overlapped, these were taken collectively: *Council agreed:*
 - Expenditure of £1,550 to: clear dangerous oaks adjacent to path by heather beds, remove dead pines and selected oaks to north-west of heather bed, and chip brash from several areas.
 - Deferral to next year consideration of clearing large area of pines to north of Ann Lamplugh's bench, allowing time for other quotes.
 - Removal of gorse by volunteers.
 - Removal of rhododendron to be deferred, and quotes needed from contractors.
 - Clerk should use discretionary spending to keep path to pit accessible.
 - Clerk to seek quotes for clearing of Common side of bridleway. [Possibly seeking co-operation with Ken Hill¹]
 - Advice be sought on issues raised by cycling protection of the pit and safety.
 - Designs and quotes be sought for interpretation signs etc.
- **2019.02.06.10.g** Rachael Edwards reported on progress on the **2019 fete**, suggesting a timing of 12-4 on 20th July, and asking Councillors for other thoughts. There was discussion of a greater role for Scouts, changes to food provision, possible games contests, working with Norton Hill railway etc. *Council agreed the timing change to 12-4, and agreed to consider other arrangements and suggest these to Rachael.*
- **2019.02.06.11** Clerk to attend NPTS seminar, and RP/Clerk attending footpaths/common land **training**. GB reported on the **MHT** meeting on 4/2/19: plans for Pavilion and MUGA were presented he did not feel all trustees were aware of details of all issues [intervention from the floor]; [MB commented on meeting with surveyor and one Trustee coming up on 7/2/19]; MHT involvement with fete, and Christmas Market as SVEC was being suspended; number of football pitches and rates for hire of Hall and court².
- **2019.02.06.12.a** There was no motion to move the **grit bin** as requested by resident. Thanks were extended to Paul Herbert for placing it where it currently is.
- **2019.02.06.12.b** There was discussion of the Norfolk **Greenways** Project, converting track bed to cycle etc. routes. Clerk was requested to contact Chair of Wolferton PC. Council agreed that it was sympathetic to the project, and Clerk should explore ideas with the Team for possible routing, e.g. via Common³.

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¹ Note item 12.b also.

² Clerk noted that he had received a flyer for MHT AGM on 13/3/19 – should he publicise? Yes.

³ May tie in with bridleway as in 10.f above.

- **2019.02.06.13** Motion withdrawn on **dentists. A.O.B.**: Clerk noted recent correspondence about a **Post Office** van visiting the Village in the near future, and a letter referring to **carers** in the community.
- 2019.02.06.14 Public Participation: Jean Savage asked if there could be second date for discussion of plans as in 10.e above (possibly), also whether the decision over any development would be taken just by SPC (no); Mark Denman asked about the Post Office (likely more than one hour, and weekly but could be extended), whether notes of Project Development Group meetings were available (not published), and what the nature of feedback would be (questionnaire?); Bob Almey sought assurance that any signs at the Common relating to dog waste expressed the actual legal position; Lyn Standeven asked about fencing off a dog area at the Common (not legal).
- **2019.02.06.15** Next **meeting** confirmed as 7.30pm on Wednesday 6th March 2019 in the memorial Hall.
- **2016.02.06.16** At 9.26pm the meeting went into private session and the public left.
- **2019.02.06.17** Council agreed that the Admin Asst should be placed on local government (new) scale point 10, rising to point 13 by annual increment, with effect from 1.4.19.

Meeting ended at 9.33pm

Abbreviations:

BCKLWN – Borough Council; HMG – Her Majesty's Government; MHT – Memorial Hall Trustees; NCC – County Council; SNP – Snettisham Neighbourhood Plan reference; (S)PC – (Snettisham) Parish Council; WECMS – Wash East Coast Management Strategy

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