**Snettisham Parish Council**

Minutes of Snettisham Parish Council Meeting held at 6pm on Tuesday 12th September 2023 at the Memorial Hall, Snettisham,

Present: Cllr K Penty (in the chair)

Councillors: J Bailey, D Bocking, G Deverick, R Garwood, M Harpley, R MacKenzie, J Penty, L Standeven

Public: 3 Clerk: C Smith

Press: 1

# Apologies for Absence

Cllr J Smith

# Declarations of Interest and dispensations

Cllr L Standeven item 9.

# Speedwatch – Cllrs received information on how to set up a speedwatch scheme, and were shown examples of the equipment needed. The Parish Council would need to recruit volunteers for training and identify areas suitable for monitoring. Mr Bob Dye and Richard Smith were thanked for coming along to the meeting and providing the information.

# Public Participation - No comments

# Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 8th August 2023

The minutes were accepted and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

# Clerks report and progress on any matters arising from previous meetings.

# Gallipoli Reception Snettisham– 5th October – the clerk reported The RBL and WI were happy to help with this event. The RBL hall was available and the WI can help with an afternoon tea. It was agreed that Cllr Garwood would represent the council at the Gallipoli and Dardanelles event in Kings Lynn on 6th October.

**Electrical and Plumbing work at the office** – Cllrs noted that this work was now complete including PAT testing. Invoices had been received and the job was charged as quoted.

**Chalk Pit** – Cllr Garwood reported that the improvements to the surface were ongoing, more top soil would be arriving and the grass seed was there ready to be sown. Thanks to Cllrs for their volunteer work. It was suggested that a gate and barrier be considered for this area.

**Doctors Surgery Patient Participation group AGM** – Cllrs noted the AGM would be on 3rd October, any questions should be forwarded by 22nd September. A notice had been placed on the noticeboard.

**Tree Work** – the final bits of tree work would take place on 25th and 26th September to the limes on Church Rd.

**Flooding and Puddling Lynn Rd and Station Rd –** Cllrs received a letter from a resident on Lynn Rd. It was noted that these incidents had been happening for many years with residents being unable to access their properties without wading through water or getting soaked by passing vehicles. It had been reported to highways again. There was also a report that this was happening on Kenside too. These issues would be added to the traffic group issues that will be brought to the Highway Engineer. It was agreed that Parish Council representatives to meet the highway engineer would be Cllrs Bocking, Bailey, K Penty and Garwood.

# Finance

# Payments – Cllrs agreed the payments and noted the income for September 2023.



# Bank balances were noted at the end of August 23 as Current £500 and Business £263,017.36. The bank reconciliation previously circulated, agreeing with these figures, was accepted.

# External auditors report and certificate – Cllrs received the report and certificate and noted that it had been passed as satisfactory, no issues had been raised.

# Conclusion of external Audit – Cllrs noted that the notice for the conclusion of external audit had been produced and displayed.

# Request from a parishioner to instruct the clerk to request a copy of an invoice from the MHT – it was agreed to decline the request, the resident would need to make their own request for this information.

# West Norfolk Befriending – It was noted that information regarding the service had been displayed on the council notice board. It was agreed not to make a donation at the moment and to consider a budget for local good causes in next year’s budget.

# Resignation of Cllr Bateson and Notice of a Casual Vacancy – Cllrs received Cllr Bateson’s resignation, they thanked her for her service during her time in office and wished her well. The clerk was asked to write and thanks Cllr Bateson for her time in office.

# Net Zero communities – Cllrs considered that information and agreed not to express an interest in becoming a pilot area.

# Chickens on Common Rd – Cllrs noted the concerns of residents local to the area with people dumping food waste for the chickens. This was leaving foul smelling waste and encouraging rats to the area. It was reported that more chickens have also been dumped at the site. It was agreed to place signs asking people not to feed the chickens.

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# Bonfire event 4th November – the details for the event, timings and organisation, would be finalised at the Amenities meeting. It was noted that no wood was needed for the event.

# Planning

**Applications**

**23/04135/F** Single storey rear extension, loft conversion with balcony and associated alterations including external insulation and render at 129 Lynn Road Snettisham **It was agreed to support the application.**

**23/01520/F** Single storey extension and alterations to dwelling at 16 Goose Green Rd Snettisham - **It was agreed to support the application.**

**23/01374/F** Retrospective planning for detached timber garage at 49 Kenside Snettisham **It was agreed to support the application.**

**23/01561/F** Variation of Condition 2, 11 and 12 of Planning Permission 21/02310/F: VARIATION OF CONDITION 2: 19/02079/F - Proposed new Dwelling at Woodland North West of 7 - 8 (Plot 2) Snettisham King’s Lynn Norfolk PE31 7LZ It **was agreed to make no comment**

## 23/01562/F Variation of Condition 2, 11 and 12 of Planning Permission 21/02479/F: Construction of a single bespoke dwelling and associated works (amended design) at Plot 1 Norton Hill Snettisham Norfolk It was agreed to make no comment

# Public Participation

No Comments

# Dates of next Meeting

Next Council Meeting 10th October 2023 6pm Memorial Hall

Amenities Meeting 26th September 2023 6pm Memorial

Meeting closed 7.05pm.