

# FLORDON PARISH COUNCIL

## Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St Michael's Church and Community Centre at 8pm on Tuesday 15 November 2022

**Present:** Cllrs T Webster (Chair), D Harrison (Vice Chair), A Barnes, J Dyer, J Lockhart, J Mc Donald, S Phillips

**In Attendance:** G Roderick-Jones (Clerk), District Cllr N Legg, District Cllr G Francis

**Tree Warden's Report:** none

**Public Comment:** none

### District Councillors' Reports:

**District Cllr Legg** informed the council that

South Norfolk House is now closed, with staff allocated to Thorpe Lodge until the Broadland Business Park premises (NR7 0DU) open;

Members' grants are available;

Heating grants are available for premises who open their doors at least once a week for a "warm room";

Homelessness is a concern – SNDC are considering the purchase of housing;

There may soon be a resolution to the nutrient neutrality deadlock – Mrs London's development committee report has yet to be published;

At a Health Scrutiny meeting at County Hall the inability of people to register for dental care was discussed – this and similar issues will, from April will be the responsibility of a new body, so currently there is no action being taken;

Excess deaths at the Norfolk & Norwich are the highest in the country;

Mr Long intends to extend the Bracon Ash solare farm.

- 1 **Welcome to new councillor:** The chair formally welcomed Councillor Sally Phillips to Flordon Parish Council.
- 2 **Apologies for Absence:** District Cllr I Spratt
- 3 **Declarations of Interest:** none
- 4 **Minutes of Meeting of 26 September** approved
- 5 **Matters Arising:** none
- 6 **Finances**
  - a NOTED latest bank balances as at 7 November 2022

Community Account	£3,727.59
Savings Account	£9,004.34
Total	£12,731.93
- 7 **Planning Issues**
  - a 2020/1920 Mrs London's development (update – see above; also two documents were referred to, from 2019 and 2021 detailing pledges

originally made by the applicant to offset the effects on the community – clerk to distribute)

- b 2022/1529 Taswood Lakes installation of fishing lake – no objection
- c late planning applications - none

- 8 **Parish Partnership Scheme:** Clerk will make applications to the District Councillors and County Councillor for financial support towards the PC's share of the cost of installing village gateways on the western approach to the village.
- 9 **Tas Valley Mushrooms:** the latest noise assessment had the new tunnels running and the existing tunnels running at 95% capacity, and recorded a noise level of 32 decibels adjacent to The Street
- 10 **RoSPA Play Equipment Report update:** Cllr Lockhart reported that the bridge has rotten boards and fence posts – Peter (tree warden) will check if SNDC will take responsibility for this.
- 11 **Highways Issues:** a hedge needs to be cut back; Cllr Phillips will look into this with information from Cllr Webster
- 12 **Maintenance of Grit Bins:** these have been checked and are mostly fit for purpose, but Peter will look into removal of the broken bin.
- 13 **Broken bench near village sign:** this needs to be replaced. Clerk will research and add to the next agenda. The Community Trust may be able to help with the cost.
- 14 **Community Engagement:** An activity attached to the May Annual Parish Meeting may get more response than an autumn/winter event
- 15 **Correspondence:** as circulated to councillors and noted above
- 16 **Items for the next agenda:** website ideas; footpath in churchyard; elections
- 17 **Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday 17 January 2023 at 8.00pm