

# FLORDON PARISH COUNCIL

## Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St Michael's Church and Community Centre at 8pm on Monday 26 September 2022 (following a postponement of the 20 September meeting after the death of HM The Queen)

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

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

**Tree Warden's Report:** free hedging plants are available – please inform Peter where they are required

**Public Comment:** There was discussion of further signage and/or calming measures to deal with traffic speed through the village. A permanent SAM2 was suggested but these are not allowed to remain static. The clerk will contact Highways regarding a second pair of village gateways – one pair arrived unannounced recently, near the 30mph sign on Station Road on the approach to Flordon.

### District Councillors' Reports:

**District Cllr Spratt** confirmed that Mrs London's application had been heard by the Development Committee, who did not vote in favour of the refusal put forward by the planning officers, and therefore the development can go ahead. There are concerns in the area about the proposed solar farm, and Cllr Spratt is to have a meeting with interested parties to seek clarity over several issues – he will report back in November.

**District Cllr Legg** informed the council that Horizon House has now been purchased for South Norfolk and Broadland staff and now requires equipping. Thorpe Lodge will take South Norfolk staff as South Norfolk House in Long Stratton has been vacated. There will be mobile offices in various locations. Nutrient Neutrality is still an unresolved issue, with uncertainty as to how this will affect Mrs London's development. The Public Space Protection Order is to be renewed.

**1 Apologies for Absence:** none

**2 Declarations of Interest:** none

**3 Minutes of Meeting of 19 July** approved

**4 Matters Arising:** none

### 5 Finances

a NOTED latest bank balances as at 21 September 2022

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Community Account | £1,896.09  |
| Savings Account   | £9,004.34  |
| Total             | £10,900.43 |

b Three unrepresented cheques for £500, £93 and £50 have now been deposited

c NOTED internal audit report to be published and distributed

d NOTED payment of £460.18 by direct debit to PWLB (trod path loan)

- e To authorise payment:  
L Smith internal audit £50.00  
(proposed by Cllr Webster, seconded Cllr Lockhart and all agreed)

**6 Planning Issues**

- a 2020/1920 Mrs London's revised development plan (update – see above)
- b 2022/1529 Taswood Lakes installation of fishing lakes – application withdrawn
- c late planning applications - none

**7 Parish Partnership Scheme:** this is a possible source of funding for traffic calming measures including village gateways – see Public Comment above; also some £2k may be available from the county member's fund.

**8 Tas Valley Mushrooms:** no new developments

**9 RoSPA Play Equipment Report update:** For the next agenda

**10 Highways Issues:** as above; for the next agenda

**11 Maintenance of Grit Bins:** a resident has complained about the state of the various grit bins. Cllrs Webster, Barnes and Lockhart will check.

**12 Broken bench near village sign:** Ongoing – Cllr Lockhart to look into this

**13 Community Engagement:** There is a desire for the council to be seen to be more actively engaged with the community. An activity will take place after the November meeting – Cllr McDonald will organise.

**14 Correspondence:** as circulated to councillors and noted above

**15 Items for the next agenda:** the council agreed to invite Sally Phillips to join as a new parish councillor with effect from the next meeting.

**16 Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday 15 November 2022 at 8.00pm