

FLORDON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St Michael's Church and Community Centre at 8pm on Tuesday 20 July 2021

Present: Cllrs T Webster (Chair), A Barnes, P Harvey, J Dyer

In Attendance: G Roderick-Jones (Clerk), District Cllrs N Legg and G Francis

Tree Warden's Report: none

Public Comment: Hethersett and Mulbarton Beat Manager PC Stu Barnard attended the meeting to discuss traffic speed and volume issues through the village. See item 7 below.

District Councillors' Reports: District Councillors are still mostly working from home. There is a backlog of planning applications in the system and this has been exacerbated by staff shortages. The Development Management (Planning) Committee are operating on reduced numbers.

1 Apologies for Absence: Cllrs Janice Holmes, D Harrison, J Lockhart, District Cllr Clifford-Jackson

2 Declarations of Interest: Cllr A Barnes declared a non-financial interest in item 6a

3 Minutes of Meeting of 18 May 2021: approved

4 Matters Arising: none

5 Finances

- a NOTED latest bank balances as at 14 July 2021
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| Community Account | £2,308.32 |
| Savings Account | £9,000.23 |
| Total | £11,308.55 |
- b AGREED to authorise payments
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| Leah Smith | internal audit fee | £50.00 |
| Playsafety Ltd | annual RoSPA report | £90.60 |
| Gareth Roderick-Jones | Zoom Pro subs x 4 | £57.56 |
- proposed by Cllr Webster, seconded by Cllr Harvey and all agreed
- c Internal audit update NOTED: internal audit has been completed

6 Planning Issues

- a 2020/1920 Mrs London's revised development plan: the council are in favour of the revised plans; need clarification of responsibility for servicing of dog bins
- b Tas Valley Mushrooms update: Enforcement Officer Martin Burrows is awaiting paperwork from TVM to regularise outstanding issues at the mushroom plant. To date, conditions have not been met; this was confirmed in a site visit by Andy Baines
- c Planning Enforcement update (for information) South Norfolk will in future send updates on enforcement issues in this parish only

- d Planning Department updates: (for information) South Norfolk and Broadland councils have a joint planning portal; however, for users the portal is exactly the same as before, with only one extra click.
- e late application: 2021/1465 land north of Hill House, The Street, 3-4 bedroom chalet. This was refused as 2012/1232 and an appeal also refused; council OBJECTS
- f 2021/1072 Bracon Ash solar farm: this lies outside the parish and the council have no comments to make

7 Highways: traffic speeds and volume (see Public Comment above)

The SAM2 is effective in that some drivers slow down when they see it. However, it has been a problem trying to download data. If Cllr Barnes is able to download data from the SAM2 and submit it to PC Barnard, he will get the road safety team involved in looking into possible solutions for the problems being encountered in the village. PC Barnard will also show a presence in the village when time allows, coordinating with Cllr Barnes as to optimum times to do so. PC Barnard will also email Cllr Barnes details of the updated Speedwatch scheme with a view to a possible restart of this in Flordon. He will ensure that any prosecutions in this area are publicised to act as a deterrent.

8 Village Sign update: deferred

9 Hedge behind Bus Shelter: hedge has collapsed under the weight of ivy; Cllr Webster will investigate with Tony Taplin

10 Verge Cutting: NCC policy is now to cut most verges once a year instead of twice. Many verges formerly cut by volunteers are now untended. There was discussion about paying people to cut sections of verge. Councillors will put out a call for volunteers/people prepared to do this work.

11 Broadwater Maintenance: this issue was raised by Cllr Harrison. Cllr Wester will coordinate with him.

12 RoSPA Play Equipment Report: for the next agenda

13 Correspondence: as circulated to councillors and noted above

14 Items for the next agenda: items as identified above

15 Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 21 September 2021