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## FLORDON PARISH COUNCIL

### Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 September 2017

**Present:** Cllrs T Webster, A Barnes and J Holmes  
**In Attendance:** District Cllr P Hardy, G Roderick-Jones (Clerk)

**Public Comment:** Two members of the public raised the issue of noise emanating from Tas Valley Mushrooms. On a recent Sunday night there was a considerable noise from steam equipment. Members of Tas Valley staff present at the time were confronted but refused to shut down the equipment. Complaints to South Norfolk District Council have resulted in a promise to conduct a site visit, which led to a no-show. There have also been promises to set up monitoring equipment but nothing has come of this. District Cllr Hardy will follow up on this, and will also look into the current status of the various planning conditions.

**District Councillor's Report:** Cllr Hardy has looked into the question of whether the amenity land near the railway is being used for residential purposes. The Enforcement Officer has investigated and has concluded that there is no evidence of non-agricultural use. However, residents who overlook the land will continue to monitor the situation. SNDC will hold a public meeting on 26 September from 6.00pm to 7.30pm regarding proposed developments at Long Stratton, and councillors are encouraged to attend.

**County Councillor's Report:** Cllr Foulger reported (by email) that he had passed on the council's concerns about the poor state of repair of Long Lane as a result of the traffic from the new development and will report back when he has had a full response.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs Harrison, Harvey, Lockhart and Dyer, and County Cllr Foulger
- 2 **Declarations of Interest:** none
- 3 **Minutes of Meeting 10 July 2017:** agreed and signed
- 4 **Matters Arising:** none
- 5 **Finances:**
  - a bank balances as at 31 August 2017:
    - Community Account: £2786.50
    - Business Premium : £892.23
    - Total: £3678.73
    - u/p cheques nil
  - b payment for authorisation:
    - Churchnet (annual website fee) £50.00
  - c progress on external audit: after a number of adjustments, the external audit has now been completed and we await the return of the Annual Return documentation

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- d dealings with Barclays Bank: we have now received the card reader, card and PIN for online banking. The online system rejected the PIN so the clerk will follow up.

**6 Planning:**

- a no new applications in the system
- b Long Stratton development: clerk recently attended a meeting hosted by Wacton PC to discuss proposed developments. There was general consensus on the main issues to be raised with SNDC, and a summary of these points was circulated to all councillors previously (see District Councillor's report re SNDC meeting).
- c Complaint against Planning Committee conduct: Cllr Lockhart reported (by email) that the draft letter he was composing is ongoing.

**7 Highways:**

- a Speedwatch update: this has been put on hold until we have new data from the SAM2.
- b SAM2 has been moved to Station Road and next week will be moved to Long Lane; when it is moved, Cllr Barnes will download data and will analyse times, speeds and vehicle numbers.
- c Trod path update: Cllr Harrison has been in regular contact with NCC Highways and the emails have been circulated to all councillors. Cllr Harrison has made it clear that the lengthy delays in making good the unsatisfactory path surface are excessive. Highways Engineer Bob West has promised a response to Cllr Harrison's points this Wednesday (13 September).
- d Replacing or repositioning the seat following the trod path work: no final decision has yet been made.
- e Other Highways issues: none

**8 Village Sign update:** to be deferred to the next meeting

**9 Play Equipment:** to be deferred to the next meeting (Cllr Lockhart dealing)

**10 Correspondence** (circulated to all councillors):

**11 AOB:** Broadwater: Cllr Lockhart reported by email that he recently checked the Broadwater control structure and had to clear the large feed pipe of debris apparently from the overhanging trees. In view of the fact that it is only some four months since various parties curtailed work clearing this area, he wanted the council's consent to contact the agencies involved: the council agreed that this would be appropriate.

**12: Date of next meeting:** Monday 13 November at 8.00pm