

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KIMBERLEY & CARLETON FOREHOE PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7PM AT KIMBERLEY
CHURCH**

Present: Colin House (Chairman)
Val Evans
Joy Smiley
Catherine Moore, Parish Clerk

Also present: County Councillor Margaret Dewsbury and District Councillor Richard Elliott.

1. Public Forum

a) Public

No comments.

b) County Councillor

Margaret Dewsbury reported that staff had not returned to County Hall as the cladding was being replaced. The '1 Million Trees' initiative was still available with packs of 10 trees being offered.

The Flood Alliance was working well, and had identified 16 areas with the biggest problems. They were looking at what councils could do to help prevent flooding, especially in non-priority areas.

Old fire helmets were being decorated as part of an 'Ashes to Art' initiative and would be auctioned off for the fire service charity.

Norfolk was welcoming more refugees from Afghanistan.

Libraries were becoming community hubs again. Highways had started an initiative to reduce costs by collating an area of applications for works involving legal and advertising costs. This was likely to mean one district-wide application per year.

District Councillor

Richard Elliott reported that feedback had been requested from Parish Councils regarding workspace arrangements for the shared Broadland and South Norfolk Councils. The Clerk had submitted feedback saying that core hours were important so that people could get hold of staff on the phone. It was noted that some services that had to be non-electronic, such as submission of election papers, may need 'hubs' in the communities as people may not travel into Norwich to deliver their nomination papers.

Leisure services were nearly fully re-opened and would be propped up with £2.5M over 3 years, having taken a hit due to Covid. Membership was recovering and home fitness classes were being offered which were proving popular.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and approved from Jane Fraser and Graham Mann, proposed by Joy Smiley, seconded by Colin House, all in favour.

3. Declaration of Interest for items on the agenda

None.

4. Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 6th May 2021; and informal meeting held on Saturday 24th July 2021

It was noted that the page numbering was wrong, and the month was missing from the July notes. With these amendments the minutes of the meetings were **agreed** as an accurate record and would be signed by the Chairman.

5. Matters Arising

a) Defibrillator Training

It was felt that as the defibrillator was designed to talk the user through every step, this was not required. The Clerk noted that Barnham Broom Parish Council had been approached regarding shared training but had not expressed an interest in progressing this.

b) Update on B1135 Road Condition Working Group

Nothing further had been received since the end of July. It was noted that funding was available for repair of potholes, and that resurfacing was taking place in order of priority. The Clerk was asked to report that the road needed resurfacing outside Gamekeepers Cottage, B1108 Carleton Forehoe; and the B1135 in Kimberley.

ACTION: Clerk

It was noted that the A11 was scheduled to have the concrete surface replaced from Spooner Row to Attleborough, so mitigation in the villages may be offered.

c) Drainage Gully Outside Oak Lodge / Green Farm

No action had been seen regarding this, the Clerk was asked to chase up Highways.

ACTION: Clerk

It was noted that the landowners should have rodded the drain as it picks up the crossflow under the B1108 where the road dipped. This would flood badly in the winter and was funnelling water off the fields and into the road.

d) Additional Feedback from Speed Camera Visits

The Clerk reported that the Police had advised further information could not be extrapolated from the data. A request had been made for a visit during rush hour. It was suggested that the Police and Crime Commissioner could be engaged regarding speeding in the village, and that a speed camera was required as cars were travelling too fast, causing danger to those joining the B1108.

6. Correspondence

a) Parish Partnership Fund 2022/23

The Clerk was asked to bring a price for a SAM2 machine to the next meeting. County Councillor Margaret Dewsbury offered funding towards this.

ACTION: Clerk

b) General Correspondence

None.

7. Finance

a) Financial Transactions to Date

The financial transactions to date were noted. The adjusted bank balance at 27th August 2021 was £2,159.33.

b) Payments

It was **agreed** to pay the following:-

C Moore	Salary & Expenses July - September 2021	£255.52
HMRC	PAYE July – September 2021	£58.80

8. Planning

a) New Applications

2021/1837 Church Farm, Barnham Broom Road, Carleton Forehoe: Change of use from agricultural grain store to storage, milling and processing of peas.

It was **agreed** that there were no objections to this application. **ACTION: Clerk**

b) Applications Considered Between Meetings

2021/1322 Mushroom Unit, Wymondham Road, Kimberley: Change of use of agricultural general purpose building to Class E(G) and B8 use. **NO OBJECTIONS**

2021/1461 & 1462: Park Farm, Norwich Road, Kimberley: Replace existing conservatory with orangery, internal alterations and installation of dormer windows and rooflights. **NO OBJECTIONS**

c) Decisions

2021/0469 & 0470 Former Gravel Pit Wymondham Road Kimberley: Change of use of agricultural pasteurisation tunnels for the preparation of mushroom compost to class E(g) and B8 use. **WITHDRAWN**

2021/1461 & 1462 Park Farm, Norwich Road, Kimberley: Replace existing conservatory with orangery, internal alterations and installation of dormer windows and rooflights. **APPROVED**

9. Other Matters

a) Public Rights of Way

No further work had taken place however this would remain on the agenda as further research would take place. It was noted that evidence was needed that footpaths had been used and lost, and it was noted that the path from School Lodge to the Church was not registered, but was the route to school. It was suggested that the Tiffey Trails group could be engaged as the registered path stopped at the lake.

ACTION: JS

b) Western Link - Update

Val Evans noted that the latest update had been circulated and the aim was to keep traffic on the main roads. An 'access only' route through Carleton Forehoe was being considered, together with the redesign or closure of the Dark Lane / Skipping Block Corner junction. Other measures were also being considered. Public meetings with parishes would be taking place and it was hoped that talks would conclude by early 2022.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be Friday 26th November 2021 at 7pm at Barnham Broom Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

CHAIRMAN