

## **Parish Council Meeting held at Hardwick Village Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**Present:** Andrew Penn (Acting Chairman), Jeremy Alexander, Mark Cann, Miles Moseley and Josephine Murgatroyd (Clerk).

**Apologies:** David Alexander, Jeremy Styles and Alison Thomas (County and District Councillor)  
No Parishioners were present.

### **1. Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting**

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019 were read, confirmed and signed.

### **2. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

#### **Highways**

The Clerk had met with a Highways representative who noted which fingerpost signposts in the parish needed replacing. This list will now be costed to see if there was sufficient funding in Alison Thomas's highways budget to meet all or part of the required work to be done. He was told that the priority was to replace the signs at the junction of Room Lane with Shelton Common and Low Road with Alburgh Road. The Parish Council were grateful to Alison Thomas for her budget being spent in the Parish.

The Clerk had contacted Fiona Pratt at Norfolk County Council and had received information that the damaged bridge had been inspected.

#### **Miscellaneous**

Nothing to note or covered under separate headings

### **3. Correspondence**

#### **a) South Norfolk District Council**

Notification had been received from South Norfolk Council that with the District and Parish Council elections taking place on the 2 May 2019, an introductory event had been organised. Details of this had been circulated to all councillors. The Parish Council acknowledged with thanks the work done by Alison Thomas during the last term as District Councillor.

#### **b) Norfolk County Council**

Nothing to report

#### **c) Miscellaneous**

The Clerk read out an e-mail received from Kevin Vaughan of CarersMatterNorfolk about all the assistance that was available.

### **4a. Planning Cases.**

#### **Street Farm, Hardwick**

An application to replace windows in need of repair had been received and approved by the PC. The decision of South Norfolk Council was awaited.

#### **4b. Long Stratton Bypass and Development.**

The Clerk had attended a meeting organised by South Norfolk Council. A summary of the main points was outlined to the PC and attached to these minutes. The construction of the bypass was now to be undertaken by Norfolk County Council and not the developer. Funding had been applied for from the Government. The bypass would be built ahead of any development with the CIL being collected from the developer. The roundabout at Hall Lane had been removed and a bridge would be built at this location.

## **5. Accounts**

Bank Balance            £540.80

The Clerk confirmed that Jeremy Alexander had checked the Bank statements for the current financial year until December.

The PC considered the making of donations to charities that could be of benefit to the parishioners. It was proposed by the Clerk and seconded by Jeremy Alexander that a donation of £25 should be paid the same six charities as last year, namely - Diss CAB, Macmillan Cancer, SERV Norfolk, Norfolk Accident Rescue Service, East Anglian Air Ambulance and Borderhoppa. This was agreed by the PC.

Further repair work had been done to the churchyard wall and as previously agreed, the PC decided to pay for the materials used at a cost of £39.96. The Clerk was requested to pass on the thanks of the PC to the parishioner who had spent many hours repairing the wall.

Jeremy Alexander informed the PC that the village well was in need of repair work. It was agreed that further investigations would be carried out together with an idea of the required cost.

## **6. Meeting Suspended for Public Participation**

There was none.

## **7. Any Other Business**

There was none.

## **8. Date of Next Meeting**

This was fixed for Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.50pm

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Chairman  
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## **Cheques:**

£15 – Village Hall Hire

£25 to each of the following:- Diss CAB, Macmillan Cancer, SERV Norfolk, Norfolk Accident Rescue Service, East Anglian Air Ambulance and Borderhoppa.

£39.96 – PCC for materials for the Churchyard wall repairs