

SPORLE WITH PALGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held 7.30 p.m. Thursday 9th July 2015
At Sporle Community Centre

Present: Mr G Burrows Mrs S Clark
Mr K McLeod Ms H Bartley
Miss H Dye Mr J Barley
Breckland District Councillor Peter Wilkinson
Judith Flack & Sally Moy (Clerks) in attendance
7 members of the public

The meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m.

1. **Apologies:** Jackie Howard
2. **Minutes of the last meeting (11th June 2015).** It was proposed by Mr McLeod that the minutes be adopted as a true record, seconded by Miss Dye and agreed by all.
3. **Declarations of interest:-** None declared
4. **Meeting adjourned to allow members of the public to speak:**
 - Mr McLeod suggested that all planning applications are reported in the parish magazine and a table displaying the applications is made available before a Parish Council meeting. This suggestion will need further discussion.
 - The football club reported that their tractor-mower had been stolen. It was not insured by them. It may not be covered by the Council's insurance. The Clerk is to check.
 - The PSCO, Hazel Tampin, reported that there were 8 incidents in the village. The Homewatch is still progressing and packs will be ordered. There have been various reports and complaints of anti-social behaviour and she will approach. If anyone can give her names it would be appreciated. The Chairman said that they were looking at removing the bus shelter and if we keep trying we will eventually beat this issue.

5. Update from District Councillor

Peter Wilkinson wanted to convey some positive good news. Since the merge of Breckland and South Holland a new plan has been produced. Potential savings of £4.4million over the next 4 years will help to offset cuts.

A recycling event in Watton for electrical goods was held. An open day was held focusing on recycling electrical goods and reselling reconditioned items. It raised over £1,000 this week working in conjunction with the charity Crack On.

All information is available on the Breckland website.

QEH Committee reported improved ratings in the A&E department with a new extension for a trauma unit. A 95% standard of patients seen has been reached and they want to continue to build on that.

Grants are available for the football club and pavilion but it must be a costed project that benefits the whole village. At present there is still £6,000 available. The Council needs to have a representative involved in the pavilion project and decisions need

to be made about what the village wants. Help maybe available to write the funding proposal. He said it was excellent that so much money have been raised to date. NALC does provide training and the council should look to attend meetings.

6. **Dog fouling:** it has been reported that there is less dog fouling in the church yard and on the football pitch. A dog warden is patrolling the area and this seems to have had an effect.

Neighbourhood Watch: more details at next meeting. Mr Burrows to speak with the PCSO at the next SNAP meeting.

Planning applications: Mr Barley raised the issue of Plot 4 High View which was discussed and, the application was to have objections made to it, at the last meeting. He abstained from the vote at the last meeting as he was new to the role and did not have all the information. Having reviewed the papers he felt that the only change was to the pitch of the roof. A discussion followed in which it became apparent that certain planning amendments were being passed by Breckland Council which were not being notified to the PC and public notices were not being displayed. Mr Burrows will write to the Head of Planning, Mike Brennan at Portfolio to raise this concern.

7. **New Planning:** none

No decisions made by Breckland

No late applications

Airvolution had written to the PCC enclosing a DVD with new proposals. This was available for the committee to view.

8. **Payments for approval:**

The following invoices were presented; proposed by Mrs Clark, seconded by Miss Dye and approved for payment.

• Mr R Tyrrell – bus shelter cleaning, June	£15.00
• E-on – Streetlamp electricity, June	£214.96
• Sporle Community Centre – hall hire, June	£12.00
• Judith Flack – clerk salary Apr-June	£655.20
• Judith Flack – clerk office expenses Apr-July	£77.02
• Norfolk Accountancy – Accounts certification	£40.00
• Community Action Norfolk membership 2015/16	£20.00
• HMRC – PAYE Apr-June	£163.80
• CGM – grass cutting	£529.74
• TT Jones – streetlamp maintenance	£240.38

The income and expenditure as at 30 June were presented, proposed by Mr McLeod, seconded by Ms Bartley and approved.

9. **Correspondence:**

- A Constabulary Crime Prevention report dated 15 June 2015 has been received from PC74 Caston. The report was on the bus shelters and pavilion in the village. It suggested that the bus shelter on Bunkers Hill was removed or replaced with a clear shelter. It was also suggested that the erection of a youth shelter should be made and that the youths should be consulted about its position. There will be more of a police presence in the village.

- A letter has been received from a member of the public requesting a fax machine be installed in the village shop. The clerk is to respond to this and no action will be taken.
- A letter received from NCC regarding good education and the possibility of a survey. Possible more useful for the school.
- Email requesting information about bus shelter maintenance. Clerk to respond with information requested.

10. Further items for discussion:

- Mrs Clark asked if planning permission was required for the erection of large aerals. Clerk is to make enquiries.
- A safety rail for the ditch needs repair opposite Railway Farm and clerk to report the damage.
- Lack of signage where Peddars Way crosses A1065. This needs to be reported on Highways agency website. It can be requested that Norfolk Camera Partnership site a camera van in that vicinity.
- Sydney Dye Court, the plot between 4 and 5 is overgrown. A developer has bought it. The PC needs to find out who owns it and then write to them requesting it is cleared.
- Uncertainty if Flagship Housing carry out hedge cutting. They can be asked to cut a hedge if it encroaches on paths or it can be cut by a third party and they are billed for the cost.
- Mr & Mrs Rodie and the football club have done a marvellous job in clearing up the playing field which enabled the metal to be removed.
- There is a bicycle in the ditch
- There will be a road closure in Sporle on 28 July between 8.30am and 5.30pm on The Street, 150 meters south of Bunkers Hill from Hill Close to Southfields. It will be access only and fines of up to £1,000 can be issued if it is not adhered to.
- SAM2. Mr Groom has a new job and Mr Burrows has asked his replacement to come and look at possible sites. The PCC may have to incur cost of extra posts. Help would be needed to store and erect the signs.
- Congratulations and huge thanks to Steve Bailey for raising £677.50
- Mr Burrows announced that it was Judith last meeting and he thanks her for all her hard work and support. She had done a marvellous job over the years and had supported the village in so many ways. He presented her with a card and bouquet of flowers.

11. Date of next meeting - Thursday 10th September 2015 – 7.30 p.m.

12. With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 9.00 p.m.