

Sporle with Palgrave Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of
Sporle with Palgrave Parish Council at the Community Centre, Sporle
On Thursday 15th February 2018 at 7.30pm.

Kalvin McCleod (KM) Chairman	Helen Bartley (HB)
Helen Dye (HD)	Jacqui Howard (JH)
John Barley (JB)	Sue Clark (SC)
Ed Colman (EC) County Councillor	
Peter Wilkinson (PW) District Councillor	Murdo Durrant (MD) Clerk to Parish Council

KM welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance, he would be acting as chairman for the evening as Gordon Burrows was unfortunately ill.

1. **To receive and consider and vote on accepting apologies for absence:** GB was unable to attend due to flu, JH proposed that this be accepted, seconded by HD passed unanimously.
2. **To approve the minutes of the meeting of the council held on the 11th January 2018:** Minutes were proposed as correct by SC seconded by HD and passed unanimously.
3. **To record any declarations of interest in any items discussed:** No declarations.
4. **To adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public, and councillors with a prejudicial interest, to speak on agenda items:** Nil.
5. **To receive updates from County and District Councillors:** EC made the following report; NCC budget was set on Monday a briefing note would follow. The cuts in rural bus routes and gritting had been scrapped. He thanked all those who took part in the consultation, which showed that consultation worked. HD and JB stated that the gritting of Bunkers Hill needed to go all the way to the top. There would be an increase in council tax of 3% to help with the care of the elderly, the CC was trying to address Government funding. £34m was being set aside for adult social service, £13m for child social services, the OFSTED report for child social care was better than previously. There would be a 2% increase in pay for staff. Norfolk firefighters were collecting clothes for cash for firefighters with PTSD. It was hoped to reopen the railway footpaths, the crossing on the A47 was lethal and would need work to make it safe to use.
PW informed the meeting that BT Openreach had agreed to the placing of reflective strips down the edges of the green box need the shop to assist pedestrians. The Silver Social was a great success there would be more in March details were on the website and on twitter. The Hospital to Home service had made a saving of £77k and helped to release 300 beds. He was pushing BDC to continue this funding, but at the QE not N&N. The NALC spring conference was at the Green centre Swaffham with online booking. General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) was an ongoing issue particularly around the need for a Data Protection Officer (DPO), looks like PC's will need them. This will probably be done by having one DPO for a cluster of councils. Swaffham Leisure Centre redevelopment will start soon. Some progress has been made and £1m had been set aside for long term refurbishment.
6. **To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting of 11th January 2017:** Nil.
7. **Planning: a) TRE/2018/0017/TPO 2 Bunkers Hill:** No comments

b) TRE/2018/0009/TPO Playing field, TPO Work Decided. No comments.

c) 3PL/2018/0034/HOU Crimond 98 the Street, Sporle Rear

Extension: JH proposed that the PC support the application, seconded by JB agreed unanimously

d) Any other planning applications received after the date of this agenda.

8. a) To approve payments to be made as at Annex A: Proposed by JB seconded by SC passed unanimously.

b) Donation to Sporle village magazine 2017 £200 & 2018 £200: Proposed by HD seconded by HB passed unanimously.

c) Finance and accounts update : MD gave a update of the current accounts which was healthy, with £17,694.85 in the current account and £20,901.20 in the fundraising account. MD suggested that the PC should look at ways in which to use these monies to the benefit of the village. A short discussion took place where it was agreed that the extra money should be used to add more street lighting to that already purchased. To go forward as an agenda item for the next meeting.

9. Highways:

a) Pot holes: KM talked about National Highways having closed the junction of The Street and the A47 where a drainage pipe had collapsed under the road, no work seemed to have been done. EC said he would try and move things on by contacting them. JB mentioned a large pot hole on The Street o/s no 4, again EC said he would try and get something done about it. JB also spoke about the patching that had been completed, it was now coming away at the edges and the holes were as bad as before. MD informed the meeting that saving up pot holes to inform him was a waste of time, the highways department paid no more attention to the clerk reporting a pot hole than any other person. The best way to deal with them was for as many people to report them as possible, then something may get done.

b) Cleaning/clearing mud and debris: EC asked how gritting was going, the general consensus was that it was working well.

c) Highway Rangers: JB spoke about the tree that he and KM had helped clear away after it fell near the bottom of Bunkers Hill, the debris and branches still remained.

10. The Pavilion and Playing field projects:

a) Pavilion update: MD read a report of the meeting of the playing field committee, more fund-raising schemes were in the pipeline and it was hoped that work would commence once the football season ended A discussion took place around whether building regulations were needed for the internal work to commence, JB stated that we would need to pay for building regulations. MD to take this up with GB.

b) Playground update: Nothing to report

c) Playground inspection report: Nothing to report.

d) CGM: MD informed the meeting that he had written to CGM and posted the letter registered post as requested by the council and had received no reply to date. He was asked to find out the cost of replacement locks and 12 keys per lock and add to that the cost of the registered letters if no reply was forthcoming.

11. To consider correspondence. (All circulated prior to meeting).

12. To discuss the Garden Group project to tidy the area at the base of Bunkers Hill near the bus stop: The PC felt that this was an excellent project, but that they need to get permission from the owners of the land, which it was felt would be the Highways Authority. It was decided that the gardening group should consider what was to be planted and in what type of containers due to the people using the bus stop the opportunity for vandalism. The PC agreed unanimously to support the initiative.

13. Date and time of next meeting.

Thursday the 8th March 2018, 7.30pm at the Community Centre, Sporle

Clerk to Parish Council
Murdo Durrant

27th February 2018

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