

Sporle with Palgrave Parish Council
 Minutes of the council meeting of
 Sporle with Palgrave Parish Council at the Community Centre, Sporle
 On Thursday 10th January 2019 at 7.30pm.

Gordon Burrows GB (Chairman)	Helen Dye HD
Helen Bartley HB	John Barley JB
Sue Clark SC	Murdo Durrant MD (Clerk to PC)
Ed Coleman EC (NCC)	Peter Wilkinson PW (BDC)

1. **To receive and consider and vote on accepting apologies for absence:** Jacqui Howard was out of the county and unable to attend, Calvin McLeod was unable to attend due to his wife being unwell. Both reasons were accepted unanimously proposed by SC seconded by HD
2. **To approve the minutes of the meeting of the council held on the 13th December 2018:** Minutes were approved, proposed by SC seconded by HB
3. **To record any declarations of interest in any items discussed:** Nil.
4. **To adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public, and councillors with a prejudicial interest, to speak on agenda items:** None present.
5. **To receive updates from County and District Councillors:** EC said the bus timetable consultation was due to go out on the 11th, there is a slightly longer link time between the services to Lynn. Once he had more information he would share it with the PC. The Swaffham Flyer and the community transport were out of sync and it was hoped that this consultation would address that problem. A large number of counterfeit cigarettes were in circulation in Norfolk, there was evidence to support the fact that some deaths in house fires were as a result of the use of counterfeit cigarettes, any found should be reported to the trading standards office. The next month was going to be busy with the council looking at the children's consultation, whether to go ahead with the changes. The main proposal being to move away from individual remote workers to centralised hubs. The consultation on the Northern route joining the A47 to the ring road in the north of Norwich ends next week.
 PW had only the silver Social Special to report, this was a free workshop at the Assembly rooms on the 22nd January from 2.30pm phone 01362 656870 for transport.
6. **To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the meeting of 13th December 2018:** No matters arising.
7. **Finance:**
 - a) To approve payments to be made as at Annex A: Payments as at Annex A approved unanimously proposed by HB seconded by HD.
 - b) Finance and accounts report: MD reported that the PC was in a healthy position and that the next years precept forms had gone into Breckland District Council (BDC) before Christmas.
 - c) Contract with SSE for pavilion electric: This had now been sorted out for the next three years.
8. **Planning:** Nil
9. **Highways:** There was concern at the state of the lighting, as it seemed that little was being done to replace defective lights by TT Jones. MD to write to TT Jones to arrange a meeting between them, GB and JB to examine where the problems are and how to deal with them expeditiously.
 GB had found the gate at Washpit drove padlocked, this was on South Pickenham Estate land but it was felt it was an NCC matter as this was a restricted byway with public access. Gb to email location to EC who will send it to the relevant department at County Hall.
 The verge in the Street had collapsed close to HD address due to the lorries that had been working there recently. HD to email details to EC so he can inform Highways.

10. The Pavilion and Playing field projects:

- a) Pavilion update: No work had been undertaken for some time, and no further fund raising had taken place.
- b) Need to make the Pavilion committee a sub-committee of the Parish Council: A meeting was scheduled for Thursday the 17th January in the Community Centre at 7.30pm to try and reform the Pavilion working group of the Parish Council, member sof the public were welcome to attend and an invitation had been sent to members of the football club who might be interested. The Clerk was to put an advert on the Sporle facebook page asking people to attend. The Parish magazine would carry an advert for a project manager to assist with the project.
- c) Playground update: Nothing new to report.

11. SAM2 sign update: Over 15 thousand vehicles passed the SAM2 sign in December, fastest speed record was 65mph in a 30mph zone. Castle Acre have asked to have the SAM2 for the next 2 months as they have a project going on in the village, this has been agreed to, we will have the sign in March and April, it will then revert to monthly. Calvin has two people in the village who are willing to assist him if the PC agrees, the general consensus was that any help would be gratefully accepted. EC asked if the PC would be interested in the Swaffham Town Council Speed Watch, if two people from Sporle would join the six they had, Sporle may have access to the equipment. GB said that the PC had tried to raise a speed watch in Sporle but had no response, however it was something that could be relooked at.

12. Resignation of Parish Clerk: GB said had received a letter from MD resigning from his position as Clerk due to various ill health issues. MD said he regretted leaving as he had enjoyed working for the PC and found that the people involved were all trying hard to do a good job for the village. He would stay on until a replacement was found or until the council elections in May. GB would put an advert in the Parish Magazine for a new Clerk, while MD would send the same to NALC for them to circulate.

13. To consider correspondence. (All circulated prior to meeting): Letters of thanks had been received from NARS for the PC donation to them.

14. Date and time of next meeting.

Thursday the 14th February 2019, 7.30pm at the Community Centre, Sporle

Gordon Burrows
Chairman of parish Council

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