

LINGWOOD & BURLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Lingwood Village Hall Meeting Room, Station Road, Lingwood on Tuesday 6th September 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present were: Richard Morton – Chair, Marina Tubby – Vice Chair, Mike Bredbere, Ian Chapman, Tony Gould, Brenda Jones, Giles Mack, Roz Simpson, Simon Stevens and Sonya Dickinson – Clerk.

Councillor Richard Morton agreed to Chair the meeting until the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council. Another declaration was signed.

16/100. Welcome & apologies for absence: Apologies were received from Ben Bethell, Ian White and District Councillor David Ward.

16/101. Declarations of interest: Sonya Dickinson, Finance b) ii). Brenda Jones, Finance b) iv).

16/102. Public Forum: We were joined by 9 members of the public and County Councillor Brian Iles.

Brian; Devolution has been the main subject over the last few months. Three Districts in Norfolk have voted against it and can no longer be involved in discussions and votes. The final vote for the other districts is in October, Government votes in November. Government may impose it, the difference being the extra £25 million won't be in the deal, although as the County budget is in the billions, £25 million isn't enough.

In order to save money, the three depts. that deal with Highways have devised a new system, instead of ringing direct, if you are registered, you can report problems. To avoid multiple reports by several people on the same thing it would be best if complaints are filtered through the Parish Councils via the Clerks. Problems that can be reported are Highways issues such as pot holes and flooding. Etc.

There is to be a lot of money spent on the 2 major flood areas in Acle, one is by the Hermitage, they are improving the junction there as well.

Funding will be a bit better as they can put more projects down as Capital instead of Revenue, i.e. maintenance.

The budget has hit a problem as Adult and Children services has already over spent by £25 million.

The Postwick Spur has now been completed.

Tony – Did Brian find out about the small cycle path (lay by sized) in Thorpe? Brian hasn't found anything more, they were supposed to get back to Brian as to why it was put there, he will ask again.

Mr Peters reported that the hedge from the School to the level crossing has overgrown and has brambles sticking out, he has cut some back himself. Highways were asked but they said it was not bad enough. Clerk to ask Dairy Farm if they can cut it back.

Public - Reported that the railway path is overgrown from the Railway side, she asked the crossing man and he said he would let the Railway know it needs cutting back. Tony said he did cut it earlier in the year and will go and do it again.

Public – Speeding traffic on South Walsham Road. The road has the national speed limit but with driveways and a sharp bend just before the A47 with the added Burlingham Woodland walk footpaths cutting across that Road, it needs to be lowered. Some people are actually walking along the Road in places trying to find a safe place to cross. Clerk to let NPS that people are walking along the road instead of the field side footpath.

People who are avoiding the Postwick Hub are cutting across country and causing more traffic.

Public – If the Sun dial is going to be discussed tonight, could I raise a few points? A. As Mr David Payne is not in attendance that item on the agenda will not be discussed.

16/103. Minutes of the meeting 5th July 2016: Were signed as a true record.

16/104. Matters arising from 5th July 2016 Meeting: Ref the Sun Dial, Councillor Tony Gould went to take pictures of the noon markers on the Green and said they are in the wrong

place and may have been a waste of Council money, he asked if David Payne could be asked to come along and clarify how they work.

It was clarified that the Millennium Green noon marker was paid for by a generous Public donation and the Peters' Wood sun dial will be a different kind of sun dial and a grant is being applied for, along with another donation pledged if needed. The Clerk has e-mailed David Payne to come along to discuss the wording for the information board but has had no response.

Councillor Marina Tubby said David's website is very informative and explains it mathematically. Marina will telephone David and ask him to come to the next meeting and discuss the wording for the information board that will explain it for the public.

The meeting was adjourned so that the member of the Public who wanted to raise a point about the Sun dial could speak.

Public – The sun dial is accurate only 2 out of the 4 times, we need the plaque up to explain it as soon as possible. A. Marina will do her best to contact David and let him know.

16/105. Action Log: MUGA - Ben sent the planning application in for the MUGA floodlight poles but Broadland say they did not receive it, Ben will re submit and another cheque for £97.50 is to be written for the application. (Chq No. 2019). The electric handover is in hand with Ben and Jason @ Persimmon.

Bus Shelter – The colour is to be chosen. **Decision:** Moss Green.

16/106. Planning: a) **20161287** – 1. Single Storey Extensions to Front and Rear. 2. Raise the Ridge Height of the Existing Bungalow (from 4.1m to 5m). Pampas, Buckenham Road, Lingwood, NR13 4BL. **Decision: Unanimous Support.**

b) **20161458** – Ground Floor Extension to Front, 47 Clarkson Road, Lingwood, NR13 4BA. **Decision: Unanimous Support.**

16/107. Correspondence: a) E-mail from resident requesting 30mph or speed restriction signs on South Walsham Road, North Burlingham.

Councillor Brenda Jones – Sugar Beet season is particularly dangerous. Cantley Sugar beet lorries are speeding, there is a large grass verge outside the properties and this is being used when lorries are having to emergency brake when they realise there is a bend and then when the A47 is suddenly upon them.

The Water Authority has also said that the water main under the road is being damaged due to the Sugar beet lorries travelling at speed.

Decision: Clerk to write to Highways to see if anything can be done, i.e. if the speed limit can be reduced to 30mph and if there can be a bend warning and an A47 warning.

b) The Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP) - workshop session for town and parish councils in Broadland being held at Thorpe Lodge 19:00-21:00 on Wednesday 21st September.

Decision: Giles and Sonya may be able to attend.

c) Broadland District Council invitation to a Community Workshop for Preparing for Severe Weather in Broadland, Saturday 1st October, Acle Recreation Centre 10.30 to 14.00, to book a place contact emergency-planning@broadland.gov.uk **Decision:** This is open to everyone but booking is required. Sonya may be able to attend

d) CPRE invitation to sign a pledge against the planned new sites to 2036 until all existing allocations in current core strategies have been developed. **Decision:** GNLP does not include Lingwood at present but the letter will be circulated to Councillors for discussion at the next meeting.

16/108. Sun Dial – Millennium Green @ Peters' Wood: Sonya invited David Payne along to discuss the instructions for the plaque at the Millennium Green and talk through the Peters' wood sun dial, which Sonya is applying for a grant. David Payne was not present.

16/109. Allotments: Rent for 2017-18. The rent set in September 2015 was for the year 2016-17 and was an increase of £1 to £37. The rent discussed tonight is rent for next year. Allotment accounts were given to Councillors and a member of the public that requested to see it. Although the income was more than the expenditure 2015-2016, the accounts are still £118 in the red since the start. There may be a need to reduce rent in future as a profit is not to be made but it is not unreasonable to have some in the pot for when unforeseen costs

arise, such has happened in the past. For instance it has been reported that the rats have started eating produce early this year and the rat man will be needed earlier than usual.

The meeting was adjourned for a question from an allotment holder – Is the money over going to be used for the Millennium Green? A. No, as indicated on the account sheet handed out, there is a book for keeping allotment income and expenditure separate, apart from administration costs, which are not charged to the allotment account. The money is in the same bank account though.

Another allotment holder wanted to mention the rat man will be needed from the middle of August every year as once the crops are cut they are heading for the allotments.

Decision: It was unanimously resolved to keep the allotment rent at £37 for the year 2017/18.

16/110. Highways: There was an e-mail complaint from a member of public about a tree at the North East corner of the pond overhanging and causing a problem to the dust cart. Richard read the e-mail out. The e-mail was circulated to Councillors and Tree warden Ernest Hoyos earlier in the day. **Decision:** Wait and see what Ernest has to say.

16/111. Finance: a) Payments received from: i) Broadland District Council Section 106 for MUGA £4,643.67 net.

b) Payments requested: i) EAS Millennium Green Grass cutting 25th May to 3rd August £453.60 inc. VAT. (Chq No. 2018).

ii) Reimburse Clerk for Godsweb Unix Cloud £48.39 + Domain name for 2 years £16. = £64.39 (Chq No. 2017).

iii) Broadland Overview and Scrutiny Committee Training 20th September, 6.30pm, Giles, Sonya and Richard, £30. (Chq No. 2016).

iv) Councillor training for Brenda Jones NPTP £50 (Chq No. 2020).

v) K Monsey, Cemetery grass, August £202. (Chq No. 219).

c) i) Increase in insurance for MUGA = pay to Village Hall £14.69 to renewal + £130 for the year. **Decision:** Insuring it through the Village hall is considerably cheaper than adding it to the Parish Council insurance, this will probably be deducted each year from any income the Village Hall receives.

d) Retrospective payments: i) Anglian Water, allotments £31.59 (Chq No. 2012).

ii) K. Monsey July, Cemetery Grass, £202.00 (Chq No. 218).

iii) Handyman 1.5hrs for Village Hall + 4hrs for Parish Council (Chq No. 2013 + Chq No. 2014 for HMRC).

iv) Smith Construction Ltd. £ 5,572.40 inc. VAT. (Chq No. 2015).

Councillor Marina Tubby mentioned that the Netball ladies wanted to know if they can have netball markings on the MUGA and hoops. The Clerk did receive a message on her phone on Saturday, she spoke to Ben about it today and he said the Village hall Committee may be happy to purchase the hoops. The Clerk will contact Smiths for prices once their payment has been sent and bring it to the Council at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.30 -

Next meeting 4th October 2016.

At Lingwood Village Hall.