

East Tuddenham Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held 11th January 2016

Attendees: Charles Barker, Lynsay Barrett, Chantal Childs (Clerk), Anna High
Sarah Mugford, Ian Payter, Gary Watkins, Paul Claussen

Apologies: Alexandra Leaney

(The meeting opened at 7.35pm in the Village Hall)

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 9th November were approved and duly signed.

2. **Matters arising from those minutes**

- The other plot at the Beeches has gone up for sale in the last couple of days. There isn't any movement noted yet for new residents in the first plot sold. There are concerns from neighbours over the visibility splays due to the angle of the driveways for the residents. These are a legal requirement and therefore SM will therefore check the Planning Conditions for Fleur Developments. An issue was also raised regarding flooding from The Beeches to the top of Mattishall Road. It is likely that the new Beeches developments will exacerbate the issues. This will be monitored to see whether it's a problem in normal circumstances as there are lot of floods countywide at this time.
- The PC have not yet heard from Honingham PC regarding grants from the War Memorial Trust for the cost of renovation of the Honingham War Memorial Shrine.
- IP has contacted Highways to request a footpath is installed in front of the houses currently without one along Mattishall Road. IP has not yet had a response.
- IP has had confirmation from the landowner of the Children's Play Area that they are happy for the PC to take it over. IP has not yet heard from the Village Hall regarding the whereabouts of the lease. This needs to be checked in order to determine if the area can be taken over with a simple amendment to the lease at minimal cost or simple 'side letter' which is signed by all parties and undertaken by a legal professional. Health & Safety reports for the area have been received and also quotes that GW has sought for replacement of the worn parts of the play equipment.
- There have been reports from MoP that due to the fence that has been erected in a field on Church Lane, walkers are forced to walk on a very narrow stretch. The PC raised the question of whether there is a set minimal measurement that footpaths have to be and whether a permissive path was promised for this problem. We understand that this is not a public footpath, however it has been used for many years due to the road being too dangerous to walk on with its high banks and ditches.

3. **Finance:**

- The following cheques were signed:
 - Westgarth Turner - £90 – Payroll Services
 - East Tuddenham Friendship Club - £130 – Hire of Jubilee Hall July to December 2015
 - East Tuddenham Friendship Club - £130 – Hire of Jubilee Hall January to June 2016

4. **Planning:**

- No current planning issues

5. **Correspondence**

- There are no parish stats from recent months. CC has had a response regarding the inconsistencies between the Crime Stats emailed and the website www.police.uk. The Local Policing Commander for Norfolk Constabulary confirmed that from 1st August to the end of October there were 4 recorded offences being 2 x theft from motor vehicles (diesel and tools), theft of a trailer and theft of dogs from an outside pen recorded as a burglary non dwelling. There is a new computer recording system in place and he is liaising with the analyst department to investigate the website data.

- *There are two road closures in the parish for January. The first is described as affecting Berry's Lane 85m south of its junction with Dereham Road from 17th January to 18th January because of access to pole for customer service. The second is described as affecting the Taverham Road from its junction with the A47 to its junction with Weston Road in Honingham from 25th January to 29th January because of tree cutting works.*
- *CC passed information to the PC from the Clerk for Foulton Parish Council who has been enquiring about community defibrillators. AH passed comment that we are a small parish with a limited population. GM commented that there isn't a high level of services or activity in the parish and the population is spread out rather than having a central point to hold one. Also whether people would use one. It was agreed that it could be reconsidered in the future.*
- *AH requested if the rangers could clear the gravel from the T junction between Mattishall Road and Common Road. The rangers inspected the area and concluded there is no hazard to highway users and so they could not assist.*
- *Correspondence has been received from Breckland Council encouraging people to Recycle Right. There are a number of items which can't be put into the recycle bins - eg. food waste, clothes, dirty cans/jars etc - and doing so can actually ruin the materials which normally could be recycled. A list of items for the recycling and general rubbish bins have been included in the Parish Pump and full details can be found at www.breckland.gov.uk/recycle-right.*
- *Correspondence has been received from the Clerk to Garvestone, Reymerston & Thuxton Parish Council asking about social housing or affordable housing in the parish. This has been passed to IP to comment.*

6. Updates from Councillors

- *GW advised he has taken over the broken noticeboard on Rotten Row/Church Lane as it was too unstable and rotten. IP is organising the repair/replacement of this.*

It was also mentioned that the East Tuddenham website does not seem to have up to date copies of the Parish Pump beyond September 2015. CC will raise this with Janet Guy.

- *Paul Claussen advised of recent Breckland Correspondence detailing the consultation period for the Preferred Directions for the new district wide Local Plan. This period is 11th January to 22nd February. This enables parishioners to view the emerging land sites which have been submitted to the Council for allocation and provides opportunity to comment on key issues that should be considered when shaping planning policy in Breckland for the next 20 years. The Local Plan will set out the vision, objectives and approach to development within Breckland. The documents can be viewed online at <http://consult.breckland.gov.uk> and hard copies from the District Libraries, presence offices and certain community venues. The closest drop in session for more information about the plan is at Dereham Memorial Hall on 28th January 2-7pm. Paul Claussen urges parishioners to get involved with this process.*

*Dates for the next three meetings are: 8th February, 14th March and 11th April at 7:30pm
(The meeting closed at 8:30pm)*