

# **East Tuddenham Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the Meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

### **Attendees:**

*Kim Andrews, Charles Barker, Lynsay Barrett, Chantal Childs (Clerk), Ted Guy, Anna High, Alexandra Leaney, Ian Payter, five Members of Public (MoPs), Brian Rose (District Councillor)*

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

**1. The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2014 were approved and duly signed.**

### **2. Matters arising from those minutes:**

- *IP began the discussion by informing everyone that the planning application for the erection of two detached houses and garages at the site of The Beeches has been withdrawn and a permanent TPO has been served on 3<sup>rd</sup> October to protect trees within the site. IP thanked MOPs for their numerous letters of objection which considered the environmental and tree reports and provided sound reasoning to oppose the development.*

*A MOP raised the issue of a specific ash tree in the site that is not included in the TPO because it did not score highly enough in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment. This tree is showing signs of resistance against ash dieback and so concerns were raised that it should be protected. IP and MOPs will write to Breckland regarding this to request this tree to be added to the TPO. MOPs stated the lack of provision in the area to support new dwellings such as flooding, road safety, services as well as the environmental and ecological reasons that still stand. Also mentioned was how the house and plot have blended together for generations and should remain that way. BR passed comment that there are no amenities in the Parish such as shops or a school which will keep back the number of planning applications. AH added that it is expected for some developments to occur but to try and contain it to infills.*

- *IP wished to thank Amy for her time and contributions to the Parish Council and wished her well in her new commitments. IP also welcomed Brian Rose and informed attendees of the meeting that the change in District Councillors was reported incorrectly at the last meeting and the District Councillors will remain as before. Next elections are May 2015.*
- *No progress re the white line rectification in front of the houses along Mattishall Road (West). LB commented that due to the change in weather, this could be left until Spring/Summer next year to resolve.*

### **3. Finance:**

- *Hockering is still yet to pay for their share of the speed sensor cost. They have an internal issue regarding agreement to pay.*
- *CC presented an excel based spreadsheet to IP showing the accounts of 2014/2015 thus far detailing all receipts and payments with a running total. The spreadsheet is formula based and so will avoid possible calculation errors. It was agreed that the spreadsheet would be emailed to all members prior to the meetings so members can be regularly updated on Council funds.*
- *CC confirmed that a remittance advice for the precept and grant has been received from Breckland Council totalling £2,147.91. This will show on the next bank statement.*
- *CC confirmed that Mazars have been continuing to query a few entries on the Audit which have now been resolved. These related to correctly accounting for the VAT refund in respect of the bus shelter and for the Council's share of the joint purchase of the speed sensing sign. The originally submitted Mazar form will now be returned for these amendments and sent back. This will complete the audit and a Notice of Conclusion of audit will be displayed to give parishioners the opportunity to inspect the Annual Return and request any further information relating to the accounts.*
- *A cheque for the value of £50 was signed for the donation to Norfolk Accident Rescue Service and a cheque for £345.97 in respect of remuneration of the Clerk.*

#### **4. Planning:**

- *Previous - Planning application PC 3PL/2014/0841/F at Brackenwood House on Common Road has been permitted. There were no objections.*
- *New – Planning application PC 3PL/2014/0901/F has been received for a replacement dwelling and conversion of existing dwelling to garage and outbuilding at Tollgate Farm, Mattishall Road. The council have no objections.*
- *Planning application PC 3PL/2014/0433/F for a temporary mobile home on land opposite Highcroft has been withdrawn.*
- *Planning application PC 3PL/2014/0871/F for the erection of two detached houses and garages in the garden of The Beeches has been withdrawn.*

#### **5. Correspondence:**

- *CC emailed Highways to request that the drains are cleared along Church Lane, the hedges to be cut at the junction of Common Road and Barnham Broom Road and the bridle path sign to be refixed on the corner of Common Road at Mock Beggar Hall. Members confirmed that the hedge and sign had been resolved and the drains appear to be running better.*
- *Following the last Parish Council meeting, IP sent an email to BR enquiring as to whether an ordnance survey map of East Tuddenham is available to aid planning and general queries. BR presented to the Council numerous large ordnance maps of the village he was able to obtain from Breckland Council. Breckland have a licence to do this and BR stated that our Parish was in need of them.*
- *The new edition of Norfolk Link printed September 2014 were distributed to all Council Members and a reminder of the username and password given for the website.*
- *Dereham Crime Stats for August indicate there was one 'sexual offence' in East Tuddenham. No further details are known.*
- *Correspondence has been received from Norfolk County Council detailing the Parish Partnership Scheme for 2015/2016. The County Council has allocated £200,000 on a 50/50 basis to fund schemes put forward by Town and Parish Councils to deliver projects that are priorities for local communities. IP suggested that the white line problem along Mattishall Road could be resolved by requesting a scheme for a trod (simplified low cost footway) to improve the road. The council were invited to consider any other schemes of benefit and this will be discussed again at the next meeting as the deadline is 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015. AL mentioned the state of the charity land footpaths at the bottom of Rotten Row. IP invited this for discussion at the next meeting. CB mentioned that the footpath needs clearing from the Church to the old school. CC will email Highways to notify the rangers for their next visit.*
- *LB brought it to the attention of the Council that the Village Hall Committee are looking to secure grants to improve the playground area, purchase new play equipment, refurbish tennis courts and pavilion etc. IP confirmed there are grants available from Norfolk County Council that the Committee can apply for and IP will help with this one clear plans and costings have been produced. KA mentioned the planning application at Baynings on Mattishall Road on Breckland's website shows that Fleur Developments have paid a sum of money to satisfy planning condition 17 requiring funds towards the provision for outdoor sports and children's play facilities within the Parish. CC will contact Breckland to enquire whether this sum of money can be used towards improving the play facilities at the Village Hall.*

#### **6. Update from Councillors**

- *There were no updates*

#### **7. Items for the Next Agenda**

- *AL to discuss Trapps Lane tree removal*

*Dates for the next three meetings are 10<sup>th</sup> November 12<sup>th</sup> January and 9<sup>th</sup> February) all at 7:30pm  
(The meeting closed at 8:40pm)*

*Ian Payter (Chairperson)*

*Date*