

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 8th August 2011

Written by Les Wood (Clerk)

EAST TUDDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The normal monthly meeting held on Monday 8th August, 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Attendees: Ian Payter (Chairperson), Lynsay Barrett (Vice Chairperson), Janet Shrimpling, Alex Leaney, Anna-Marie High, Ted Guy, Charles Barker, Les Wood and 1 member of the public attended the meeting, also in attendance was District Councillors: Brain Rose, Paul Claussen

1. The Chairman welcomed the members, district councillors and member of the public to the meeting.
2. No apologies had been received
3. **Matters arising** from previous minutes of meeting 11th July 2011
 - Councillor Leaney said that she had been contacted by a resident regarding motoring/traffic issues relating to the village, they wanted to know what the parish council was doing to alleviate the problem and suggested contacting other parish councils to understand what has worked in other areas and also felt that the parish council did not communicate effectively with residents.

The district councillors said that other parishes were facing the same issues and suggested to the council that funding was available and that the council could apply and if successful could use the funding to operate a local traffic calming project.

The council members said that they would contact the resident regarding the issue of traffic calming but also said that a speed watch scheme could be used again as it had been some time since it was last used.

It was suggested that an advert in the parish pump asking for volunteers would be a useful way of gaining local resident support and involvement.

The chairman said that he had contacted building control to discuss the issue of compensation as the new social housing development had been built too near to the road and did not comply with original building plans.

It was suggested that the council contact Flagship Housing to discuss the issue and see what progress can be made from all agencies concerned with the development.

It was felt that the parish council may not get compensation but that it may be able to use the situation to gain support for road improvements from the highways department, the council members indicated that their concerns was for the safety of the new residents especially young children who could be vulnerable.

It was agreed that a letter would be sent to Breckland Council and a copy sent to Flagship Housing and see what the reaction was to start the process of discussion/negotiations.

- Councillor Barker raised the issue of the cleaning of the bus shelter stating that it appeared that the shelter had not yet been cleaned, he also offered to clean the shelter in order to reduce the cost and make the cleaning more efficient. The clerk said that he would contact the window cleaner to see if the shelter had been cleaned to cancel the cleaning in favour of a in-house alternative.
- The clerk said that he had contacted the neighbourhood coordinator regarding the enquiry from Councillor Guy about inactivity of the watch group.

The clerk confirmed that the Police are sending out information via e-mail to the named contact and they would presume that if they did not hear from the named person they presumed all was ok and no matters needed to be dealt with. And they also confirmed that Mrs Guy was the named person for the East Tuddenham group.

4. **Finance:** the clerk reported that the accounts stood At £6,380.79, the clerk also reported that he had been contacted by Mazars relating the audit sent by the council and that they had two enquiries relating to the returns, the clerk said that he would contact the previous clerk to deal with the enquiry and return the audit form.
5. **Planning:** An updated application relating to 1 the retreat was circulated to the members and the amendments were discussed, the councillors felt that although the amended plans did go some way to elevate the concerns of the councillors however they felt that the building would still be an imposing building that would have an impact on the general area and that any planning permission should be amended so that only use should be for the purpose of storage of motor vehicles.

The clerk said that he would respond to the application via the planning officer at Breckland Council within the time limit imposed by Breckland Council.

Councillor Barker asked if an updated could be sort regarding the breach of condition of Common Farm 3PL/2009/0072/0, the clerk said he would seek an update from the planning department to see what was being done and would report back at the next meeting.

6. **Crime Figures:** the clerk reported that he had not received the crime figures issued by the Norfolk constabulary

7. Correspondence: the clerk said that he had received an environmental statement from Willows relating to the proposed Kings Lynn recycling centre and that this was available to members

July 2011 Norfolk RCC newsletter had been received and was available to members.

Breckland Council had sent an advert regarding dog training classes which would be placed in the notice board.

The clerk said that he had been contacted by the NORLSAR search and rescue requesting fund raising request, the members asked the clerk to gain more information before committing the parish council to sending monies to the organisation.

A.O.B: the chairman said that he had received the report relating to Mr Taylor, the chairman said that although the council had been found to have made three mistakes no remedial action was required And therefore the case was now closed.

It was stated that a vehicle had been broken into in the village and some £200 worth of equipment taken.

Date of Next Meeting 5th September 2011 at 7.30pm