

Grimston Parish Council
Minutes of the Council Meeting on Monday 4 November 2019
Grimston Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Israel (Chairman), Coleman, Coe, Fraser, Pitcher, Twite, Willis and de Whalley

In Attendance: Mrs P Sewell (Clerk) and 11 members of the public

19.123 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman welcomed new Councillors Nigel Twite and Michael Pitcher. Apologies received from Cllrs Johnson, Packer and B.Cllr Manning. Cllr de Whalley would attend later.

19.124 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

19.125 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF 7 OCTOBER 2019 AS A TRUE RECORD

- **Cllr Coe proposed: Council to receive and accept the Minutes of 7 October 2019 as a true record - *Resolved***

19.126 MATTERS ARISING (INFORMATION ONLY)

19.126.1 Bulb Planting 2019 The Chairman passed on Cllrs Packer's thanks to everyone who attended the bulb planting, despite the poor weather all the bulbs purchased were planted. The Chairman thanked Cllr Packer for the organisation of the event.

19.127 TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE AS LISTED

Council reviewed list of correspondence, key items included:

Correspondence regarding the Knight's Hill development appeal. KL&WN BC would fight the case but not on Highway grounds as Norfolk County Council had supported the project. Cllr Fraser reported she had offered to speak at the appeal on behalf of the appeal group as she had been part of the Borough Council Planning Committee who refused the application.

The Clerk would highlight issues with Dog Fouling in the Village Link following a complaint and advise The Fen Allotment Trust as it was mainly on their land.

The Clerk reported that the FCC Community Action Fund (Formerly WREN) made grants of between £2,000 and £100,000 to not-for-profit organisations for amenity projects was now open.

The Council discussed the historic location of Taylors Pit, location was unknown.

Resolution to suspend business to receive Ward Reports and Parishioners' Questions

B.Cllr Manning – The Councillor reported stated that he had checked Low Road after several sessions of rain, and water appeared to be draining away successfully.

B. Cllr de Whalley reported that his climate change motion had been defeated by one vote, but it would still go to Cabinet for review in 2020. The Council had also been discussing the regeneration of parts of King's Lynn including the Post Office building for potential development into flats and retail units as well as other areas. Cllr Pitcher queried the benefits of selling off/leasing Boal Quay carpark for development. Cllr de Whalley said he had no firm details on the proposals as yet.

19.128 TO FILL COUNCIL VACANCY BY CO-OPTION

The Chairman reported that there was still one vacancy on the Council to be filled.

19.129 FINANCE

19.129.1 To approve payments due as listed

- **Cllr Willis proposal: Council to approve payments as listed - Resolved**

Payments	Heading	Gross	VAT
Mrs P Sewell	Salary (Oct)	489.86	0.00
HMRC	Salary (Oct) PAYE	-2.80	0.00
Mrs Sewell	Expenses Sept/Oct	34	0.00
CGM	Grass cutting	308.35	51.39
Parish Online	Gen. Administration	42.00	7.00
GW Shelter Solutions	Highways/Bus Shelter	4941.60	823.60
Pearce and Kemp	Street Lighting (Oct)	85.20	14.20
EON	Street Lighting (Oct)	136.36	6.49
Total		6034.57	902.68
Receipts			
Santander	Interest Sept	12.11	
Santander	Interest Oct	11.72	
Total		23.83	

19.129.2 To receive Quarter 2 Financial Report

- **Cllr Pitcher proposed: Council to accept the Financial report April – September 2019 - Resolved**

19.130 PLANNING MATTERS

19.130.1 To consider responses to Planning Applications as listed

19/01384/O: South View, 49 Gayton Road, Grimston – Single dwelling

- **Cllr Pitcher proposed: Council to support application 19/01384/O subject to acceptable provision of a safe visibility splay and that the house size was commensurate with the number of parking spaces i.e. 2 marked on the outline plan – Resolved**

Cllr Fraser asked that it be recorded that she had voted against approval on the grounds of Highway safety. The Clerk said that as the telegraph pole with streetlight would have to be moved, and provision should be made for it to be reinstated as a condition.

19/01826/F: J W Sandles 89 Leziate Drove - Proposed new Showroom and Offices

- **Cllr Willis proposal: Council to support the plans outlined in application 19/01826/F - Resolved**

19.130.2 To reinstate the Planning Committee

Council noted that the Planning Committee had been suspended due to the lack of councillors following the election. The recent co-options had increased number of councillors to 10.

- **Cllr Coleman proposed: Council to continue to consider plans at full Council - Resolved**

19.131 HIGHWAYS/RIGHTS OF WAY/ STREET LIGHTING ISSUES

19.131.1 Footpath 18 improvements

Council noted that a quote for the work agreed in October had been requested.

19.131.2 To note other fault reports

Council noted the light out on the junction Chapel Road/Chequers Road.

19.131.3 NCC Parish Partnership grant – School safety measures

The Chairman reported that Council representatives had met with Norfolk County Council to discuss issues raised by parishioners relating to speeding particularly around the school. The Clerk circulated a note of the options with provisional costings discussed at the meeting.

- **Cllr Fraser proposed: Council increase timescale of operation of the current LED Slow Down (Children) warning sign and install a second sign at the other end of the school premises - *Resolved***

In addition to measures at the school, the Highways officer had suggested using a mobile Speed Reactive sign to help with speeding problems referred to the Council in other parts of the parish. Cllrs Israel and Coleman had agreed to manage the unit which would need to be moved on a regular basis. The sign would also record volume of traffic and speeds.

- **Cllr Coleman proposed: Council to bid for a SAM2 unit to operate in areas where speeding was a concern - *Resolved*.**

A further meeting would be arranged with Highways and the SAM2 contractors to review suitable locations with recommendations and costings brought before the December meeting.

19.132 BUS SHELTER – CHAPEL ROAD

The Chairman reported that the new Bus Shelter was now in place and being well used. On behalf of the Council he thanked Mr Lloyd Hayes who had kindly offered to pay for a timetable case and asked that the Council's thanks be recorded in the Minutes and the Village Link.

19.133 BT TELEPHONE BOX PROJECT UPDATE

The Council noted that the Defib unit had been installed, was operational and on the Ambulance register. The Ambulance service could also alert the volunteer service who could help with collecting the unit if a person was dealing with an emergency on their own. Cllr Johnson had organised for the inside of the box to be rubbed down and for the box to be painted in the spring. The unit would have to be checked regularly and although the Clerk has been doing it, the job would eventually be handed over to volunteers. Details would go in the Village Link, and a briefing session would be arranged in the new year. On the Little Library project shelves would be installed to allow books to be borrowed or swapped. Cllr Coleman stated that as the Box would be painted in Spring, the shelves would have to come out at some point.

19.134 ANNUAL PROPERTY INSPECTION

19.134.1 Seat Replacement

Council had agreed a new design to replace the old metal seats at the last meeting.

- **Cllr Willis proposed: Council instructed Clerk to organise a replacement for the Pott Row seat - *Resolved***

19.134.2 Resiting of Gayton Road/Vong Lane Dog Bin

In the Inspection report the Council had noted issues with the location and discussed

relocation, however it was agreed that for the time being the area should be regularly trimmed which should improve access.

19.135 COUNCILLORS REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

Cllr Fraser asked about the Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr de Whalley reported that the drop-in session had been well attended, the consultants would be undertaking work on character appraisal, landscapes and green space now that the grant had been approved. Technical help on the allocations had also been granted.

Cllr Willis said she was pleased to report that Barclays had reversed its decision and would continue to allow customers to use the Post Office for banking.

19.136 DATE, TIME OF NEXT MEETING AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

The next meeting will be held on Monday 2 December at 7.30pm.

Chairman

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