

**Grimston Parish Council**  
**Meeting on Monday 7 November 2022 at 7.30pm**  
**Grimston Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs K Israel(Chairman), Coleman (Vice-Chair) Barnicoat, Boldero, Coe, de Whalley, Dye, Pitcher, Shepherdly and Shuardson- Hipkin

**In Attendance:** Mrs P Sewell (Clerk) and 8 Members of the Public

**22.125 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The Chairman reported that he had attended the bulb planting and thanked Mrs Packer for once again coordinating and donating bulbs. The Chairman had also attended the planting of the Medlar trees in the Queen's Wood which had been donated by Direct Plants in Pott Row. **Apologies for Absence** were received and accepted from Cllr Fraser

**22.126 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

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

**C.Cllr Daubney** gave details on the recent announcement about the Avian Flu outbreak and encouraged residents to be vigilant. NCC would shortly be conducting its annual budget consultation All Libraries would open as warm hubs and he reminded residents about the single number to ring with flooding concerns. Norwich was to extend its E-scooter Scheme.

**B.Cllr de Whalley** reported that political uncertainty had impacted local government, there was significant uncertainty on meeting recycling/waste targets. The current recycling contract was under negotiation. No further news on the Hospital, Anglian Water was in the press about discharges, however, The Town Fund money was coming through.

**B. Cllr Manning** reported on the recent Planning Committee and the decision to refuse permission for a solar farm. There would an announcement about a Hydro-electric Barrage across the Wash project.

**Parishioners**

It was reported that a group of local authors had compiled a book of short stories, proceeds of which would go to West Norfolk Deaf Society and Norfolk Riding for the Disabled.

**22.127 TO RECEIVE AND ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF 3 OCTOBER 2022 AS A TRUE RECORD**

- **Cllr Pitcher proposed: Council to receive and accept the Minutes of 3 October 2022**  
***Resolved***

**22.128 MATTERS ARISING (INFORMATION ONLY)**

**Dog Bins:** The Council thanked Cllr Coleman who had reinstalled one of the dog bins

**Re-statement Survey:** The Council noted the War Memorial and Tower had been inspected, and the insurance valuation of the war memorial was fairly accurate, but the Clock Tower fell short. The Insurers would be informed.

**Back Lane:** The Clerk confirmed that she had made the report to planning control and also the Tree officer, planning control had allocated an officer but there was no response from the Tree Officer as yet.

**Anglian Water:** The Clerk confirmed that Anglian Water had just responded to the Council's query. AW stated infiltration issues experienced in Grimston were due to the connection of private sewers to our network which AW did not have the power to address. The response

would be copied to Cllrs for discussion at the next meeting. Cllr Dye reported that he had advised some residents to inform the Clerk of issues they were having with sewage.

**Bus Shelter:** Cllr Coleman asked about further news on the Chapel Road bus shelter, the Clerk reported that the plans for the relocation were with Highways.

## 22.129 TO NOTE AND ACTION CORRESPONDENCE AS LISTED.

Grimston Cricket Club had requested funding for a project, the Club had been advised to send details of the project and to attend the December meeting.

A resident had reported a leaning telegraph pole on Gayton Road. Network Power had been informed.

A resident had reported PVA glue on the bus shelter on Chapel Road. It had been cleaned.

## 22.130 FINANCE

### 22.130.1 To approve payments due

Payments	Heading		Gross	VAT
Mrs Sewell	Salary (Oct with HW All).		813.30	0.00
HMRC	Salary (Tax&NIC).		24.40	0.00
Mrs Sewell	Postage		28.99	0.00
Com. HeartBt Trust	Defibrillator	Annual Fee	162.00	27.00
Parish Online	Office General Costs		54.00	9.00
KL&WN BC	NHPlan	Printing	244.00	0.00
Earth Anchors	Open Space/CIL	Seats	1581.60	263.60
RBL	Poppy Wreath	s.137	50.00	0.00
NPOWER	Street lighting	Power- Sept	70.80	3.37
NPOWER	Street lighting	Power- October	77.58	3.69
			<b>3106.67</b>	<b>306.66</b>
<b>Receipts</b>				
Santander	Interest- October		2.77	
KL&WN BC	CIL		5524.12	
			<b>5526.89</b>	

- Cllr Shepherdly proposed: Council to approve payments as listed - *Resolved*

### 22.130.2 To receive Quarter 2 Financial Report June-September 2022

- Cllr Coleman proposed: Council to receive and accept the Quarter 2 Financial Report - *Resolved*

### 22.130.3 To discuss NCC/ Parish Partnership Grant - Chapel Road Trod Upgrade

The Council discussed the specifications provided by the NCC Engineer to upgrade the Trod.

- Cllr de Whalley proposed: Council to submit a PPS bid to upgrade the Chapel Road Trod - *Resolved*
- Cllr Pitcher proposed: Council to request support from the ward members and prepare an application for the CIL grant - *Resolved*

The Clerk was asked to confirm whether the width would accommodate a wheelchair.

### 22.130.4 KL&WN Borough Council CIL Grant Scheme 2023 Round 1

The Council noted that the information on the 2023 Round 1 CIL grant scheme had been circulated with the recommendation that groups intending to apply for Parish Council support should present the project to the Council in person before the budget in January.

- Cllr Shepherdly: CIL grant scheme applicants for Parish Council funding should attend a Council meeting - *Resolved*

## **22.131 PLANNING MATTERS**

### **Chairman handed over the Chair to the Vice-Chairman for the planning items**

*Opportunity for Applicants/Objectors to address the Council - No comments.*

#### **22.131.1 To consider responses to planning applications**

*Cllr de Whalley abstained from the discussion and vote as he sat on the Borough Planning Committee*

**22/01746/F:** Boughmore Farm Fen Lane Pott Row - Single storey ext. workshop/store

- **Cllr Barnicoat proposed: Council recommend approval of 22/01746/F- Resolved**

**22/01766/F:**17 Low Road Grimston – Single-storey extension at rear

- **Cllr Barnicoat proposed: Council recommend approval of 22/01766/F - Resolved**

#### **22.131.2 KL&WN Borough Council Parish Update session**

The Council noted that both Cllrs Coleman and Pitcher were unable to attend, however, a copy of the presentation slides had been emailed to all Councillors.

#### **22.131.3 Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr de Whalley’s proposal for Sugar and Derby Fen**

Cllr Coleman referred Council to Cllr de Whalley’s recommendation that the NHP should also include a buffer zone for Sugar and Derby Fen. Cllr Coleman stated that the policy had been discussed by the NHP Group several times, and the Group had decided not to add a buffer zone policy, but the document did recognise the importance of both SSSI. Cllr de Whalley considered that his recommendation was in keeping with the wishes of parishioners, the Norfolk Rivers Association, and Norfolk Wildlife Trust.

- **Cllr Barnicoat proposed: Council should not at this stage add new policies when they could not be consulted upon - Resolved**

Cllr de Whalley objected that the Council discussion had been in effect deferred until after the consultation date.

Cllr Pitcher asked about the NHP group’s Terms of Reference. Cllr Coleman stated that the instruction to the Group had been to produce an NHP plan in accordance with the regulations. The Clerk was asked to clarify.

## **22.132 HIGHWAYS/RIGHTS OF WAY/ STREET LIGHTING ISSUES**

### **22.132.1 Footpath 18 – Overhanging Trees**

The Council was reminded of the request from a resident to reduce the height of the trees on the boundary of Footpath 18. The Chairman, Clerk, and Cllr Boldero had inspected the footpath with the resident’s concerns about such tall trees (which were not maintained) close to his property in mind. Ownership of the trees had previously been investigated by the County and Borough Council Planning to no satisfactory conclusion.

- **Cllr Israel proposed: The Council could not use the precept to undertake work as the height of the trees did not affect access to and use of the right of way - Resolved**

### **22.132.2 To note other faults**

**Cliffe en Howe Road:** Council noted the damaged manhole cover had been repaired.

## **22.133 TO RECEIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **22.133.1 Community Events Committee Report**

Cllr Boldero introduced the Committee report and asked for more Council members. Cllrs Coleman and Shuardson-Hipkin both agreed to consider joining the Committee.

## **22.134 PARISH PROPERTY AND PROJECTS**

### **22.134.1 To confirm the position of the replacement seat on Pott Row Green**

The Clerk had ordered the replacement seat and asked Council to clarify where it should now go as there had been some discussion that it should be moved.

- **Cllr Shuardson-Hipkin proposed: Council site the new seat opposite the Butchers facing the Green - *Resolved***

**22.134.2 Ownership and display of St Luke’s Mission Bell**

Cllr Pitcher raised the question of why the Mission Bell purchased by the Council was not recorded on the asset list. The Clerk had reviewed the records and confirmed that the purchase was reported in the Audit report at the time, but it had not been added to the asset list. The original resolutions of the Council about a home for the Bell had been circulated to Cllrs. The Bell currently resided at St Botolph’s on a stand paid for by the Friends of St Botolph’s. It had been hidden by some display stands. Cllr Coleman said that it was back on display.

- **Cllr Pitcher proposed: The Council liaise with St Botolph’s to arrange for the Bell to be displayed at the Pott Row Methodist Church on occasion - *Resolved***

**22.135 PARISH COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO LOCAL GROUPS**

**22.135.1 Village Hall Management Committee (Annual Appointment)**

The Council noted that it needed to appoint a representative to the Village Hall management committee is vacant.

- **Cllr Coleman proposed: Cllr Dye be appointed to the Village Hall Management Committee - *Resolved***

**22.135.2 Grimston School Trust - Trustee Appointment**

The Clerk confirmed despite advertising the Trustee appointment for many months - there has been no outside interest in the position, and the Chairman of the Trust is keen to have the position filled as they are only a group of 3. There were expressions of interest from Cllrs Coleman, Shepherdly, and Shuardson-Hipkin, the Clerk would circulate details to all Councillors.

**22.136 COUNCIL FACEBOOK PAGE – REVIEW**

The Council noted the Clerk’s report that the page appeared to be working well as an online noticeboard. Although it was not the aim to gather followers it did have 137 people following the page. The Clerk said that thus far people had been respectful of the pinned post to contact the Clerk directly for further information and reaction to posts appeared positive. The Clerk was able to monitor traffic/engagement and thanked Cllr Shepherdly for sharing the items on the Community page when asked.

**22.137 COUNCILLORS REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)**

**Cllr Pitcher** reported that former Parish Councillors Roy Woods had passed away. Cllrs expressed their condolences to the family.

**22.138 DATE, TIME OF NEXT MEETING AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

The next meeting would take place on 5 December at 7.30pm.

**Chairman.....**

**Date.....**