



BLYTHBURGH with BULCAMP & HINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Special Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 19th February 2020

Present: Cllr R Orr-Ewing (Chair), Cllr S Boggis, Cllr V Carse, Cllr C Saunders, Cllr J Sutton, J Boggis (Clerk).

Open Forum (0 Parishioners present)

No Discussion

Parish Council Special Meeting

(Note – Minutes of last Parish Council meetings were not discussed at this special meeting)

19/154. Agree the Agenda

Additional Items; Blythburgh Latitude Trust

All Agreed

19/155. To receive Declarations of Interest / Dispensation on any matters on the agenda

Cllr Boggis; Planning Application DC/20/0430/FUL

19/156. To note and agree apologies for absence

Cllr Burrows – Working - **Agreed**

Cllr Doney – Prior Appointment - **Agreed**

19/157. To receive the report from the planning advisory group

- To consider any planning applications received by 19th February 2020 and determine the Councils attitude to them.

Cllr Boggis left the room

Application No.	Date rec'd	Location	Proposal
DC/20/0430/FUL	5/2/2020	Marsh End Church Road Blythburgh Suffolk	Erection of a Garden shed and a summerhouse

Cllr J Sutton introduced the planning application explaining why it was needed. The Councillors discussed the application and concluded they had No Objection to this application

Proposal – Cllr J Sutton to contact ESC and express No Objection to this application

All Agreed

Cllr Boggis returned to the room

Application No.	Date rec'd	Location	Proposal
DC/20/0367/FUL	31/1/2020	Swallows Corner Chapel Road Blythburgh Suffolk IP19 9LW	Demolition of existing single storey rear extensions to property 28.9m squared. Construction of new single storey rear extension to property 44.4m squared. The new extension will provide an open plan family room/kitchen area, a utility room with garden access, and a new shower/wetroom

The Chair of the planning advisory group, Cllr Boggis, gave an overview of the application, highlighting that the applicant has sought pre-planning advice and that the planners were supportive of the development. The Councillors discussed the application, considering parking, the impact on the neighbouring house, the impact on the housing stock in Blythburgh and concluded they had No Objection to this application

Proposal – Clerk to contact ESC and express No Objection to this application

All Agreed

Application No.	Date rec'd	Location	Proposal
DC/20/0587/CON	12/2/2020	Dunwich Road Blythburgh Suffolk IP19 9LT	It is proposed to rebuild the overhead electricity line in the field to the west of Dunwich Road, Blythburgh, IP19 9LT and upgrade it from two to three conductors, this will improve the electricity supply in the area. This work forms part of a bigger interconnector scheme which will connect two section of existing network together to improve the reliability of the electricity supply and will also allow for the supply to be switched from one side of the network to the other in the event of a fault

The Chair of the planning advisory group, Cllr Boggis, gave an overview of the application, and explained that this was a consultation between the energy company and ESC. She told councillors that she thought electricity cables in the village were being buried and that she had expressed this view to ESC. The Councillors discussed the application, its merits and the Cllr Boggis comments and concluded no response was required.

19/158. B1125 Angel Lane Traffic Survey.

Cllr V Carse reported back on the meeting she and Cllr Doney had with Suffolk Highways. The Highways engineer had reported the number of signs at the Angel Lane / A12 junction could be distracting, the poor state of the road surface, the option to consider trying to get the B1125 declassified and the need to get a survey of traffic completed. The councillors discussed these options and others in an attempt to address the growing traffic problems in the village.

Proposal – Clerk to contact Cllr N Brooks for funding for the survey

All Agreed

Proposal – Cllr Carse to arrange for a survey to be carried out by Suffolk Highways

All Agreed

19/159. Community Speedwatch.

Cllr J Sutton reported only one session had been completed due to poor weather. He also reported on a letter received stating there was no longer a need to calibrate the speed measuring device and the availability of equipment from the police.

19/160. SNT response following police activity associated with illegal immigrant landing.

The Clerk reported back on the response received from the Safer Neighbourhood Team in relation to illegal immigrants. Summary of the response;

“..As far as advice to local people is concerned, the Home Office has been running a joint agency operation for some years under the name of ‘Operation Kraken’. This is specifically targeted at illegal immigration to the UK using our coasts and coastal communities. As Police, we receive advice adapted to the role we play in the operation, but there is also information available for the general public on the Gov.UK website here

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/report-suspicious-behaviour-at-sea-project-kraken>. If you select the HTML document, you will be taken to a page offering advice about what to do if you suspect illegal immigration is occurring and there is a link where anybody can sign up for the latest updates from the H.O. via e-mail. There is also a link to an on-line reporting tool where suspicious activity can be reported direct.

In summary, should any member of the community suspect illegal immigration activity is occurring regularly, they should use the on-line reporting tool, but, if it's believed to be a crime in occurrence, it should be reported using 999...”

19/161. Village Hall Management & Insurance.

Cllr C Saunders reported on the latest guidance on how to move the current issues with the Village Hall Management forward. The latest guidance requires an extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council to be called to discuss Village Hall Management and to look for volunteers. The outcome of this meeting effects the way forward

Proposal – Clerk to arrange an Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council

All Agreed

Cllr Saunders then reported on the year end accounts for 2018/19 and the need to put them onto the Charity Commission website. After some discussion Cllr Boggis agreed that she would enter the accounts at the request of and with the agreement of the Parish Council

Proposal – Cllr Boggis to enter Village Hall Accounts onto the Charity Commission website.

All Agreed

There then followed a discussion about the Village Hall Insurance renewal.

Proposal – Village Hall Insurance to be on 3 year long term undertaking

All Agreed

19/162. Discuss and agree any payments required of the Council

ICO subscription	£40.00
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Village Hall Insurance - 3 Year LTU Premium	£870.43
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CPRE Annual Subscription	£40.00
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Proposal – Payments listed above, required of the Council, approved

All Agreed

19/163. To discuss any other matter the Chair will allow

- **Blythburgh Latitude Trust.** The Trustees had asked for clarification on the roll of the Trust following a Trustee meeting on 18th February 2020. The Cllrs looked at the minutes from the time of forming the Blythburgh Latitude Trust. Minute 08/41 showed the formation but no detail on what the function of the Trust was to be; Minute 08/84 states the festival organisers will continue donating tickets but will deal directly with the Trust.

The Councillors discussed ticket allocation and distribution and agreed this should be the responsibility of the Trust but the Parish Council would remain as the conduit between the Festival Republic and the Trust via the Parish Councillor nominated Trustee.

Proposal – Clerk to contact Trust stating the Councils position

All Agreed

- **Community Partnerships.** Cllr Saunders was concerned that Blythburgh Parish Council were not involved in “Community partnerships are an innovative new way for the council, partners and communities to work together to ‘bring ideas to life’ by taking a solution focused approach to local priorities.” There is also funding available that may of use to the Parish Council. More information can be found at

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/community/community-partnerships/>

Blythburgh Parish Council falls under the Carlton Colville, Kessingland, Southwold and villages Partnership.

Proposal – Clerk to ensure the partnership are aware of Blythburghs interest.

All Agreed

- **Village Hall Storage Shed.** The requirement for a storage area was again discussed as this is seen as a priority now.

Proposal – Clerk to contact Historic England to obtain Consent

All Agreed

Proposal – Clerk to contact Cllr N Brooks for funding for the storage shed.

All Agreed

Proposal – Clerk and Chair to meet to discuss location and size of shed

All Agreed

- **Fly Tipping near recycling area.** Cllr Carse asked about the surveillance camera discussed at an earlier meeting as fly tipping is continuing around the bottle bank.
Proposal – Clerk to contact Blois Estate about rubbish build up and that the Parish Council are looking at some form of surveillance
All Agreed
- **Village Hall driveway.** Clerk reported he was awaiting quotations
- **ANOB 50th Anniversary.** The Chair reported he had been invited to the celebration but could not attend and offered the place to other Councillors. No one was available.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm

These minutes are confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings of the special meeting held Wednesday 19th February 2020

Signed (Chair) _____ Dated _____
