

ASHMANHAUGH PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Ashmanhaugh Parish Council meeting held on 03 January 2012 at 7.00pm in the Preston Rooms

Present: Councillor Mrs R Buxton - Chair
Councillor G Saunders – Vice Chair
Councillor N Coleman
Councillor I Sharp
Councillor H Buxton
Councillor G Hunt

Officer Mrs G Sharpe – Clerk to the Council

In Attendance - Cllr Nigel Dixon (District and County Councillor)
3 Parishioners

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Miss S Hewitt and PCSO Jeanette Boardman.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **AGREED AND RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes of the meetings of 01 November and 29 November 2011 and they were signed, as a true record, by the Chair.

4 PUBLIC SPEAKING

- 4.1 Cllr Dixon (NNDC and NCC) made two points regarding North Norfolk District Council (NNDC). He said NNDC was going through a restructuring process. The Chief Executive, Philip Burton, is to retire in the near future and the top tier would then reduce to three officers from five. Sheila Oxtoby is the Chief Executive designate and the two other directors have yet to be appointed. (For further information see: www.north-norfolk.gov.uk)
- 4.2 PCSO Jeanette Boardman had emailed the Clerk to inform the meeting that there had been no reported crimes, in Ashmanhaugh, between 01 November 2011 and 31 December 2011. At the recent SNAP meeting three targets had been set,
 - 1 Moor Road/Neville Road – criminal damage,
 - 2 ASB in Horning and
 - 3 Happisburgh – criminal damage
- 4.3 As the Cricket Club representative was unable to attend, Cllr Buxton reported that the Club was proposing to merge with Norwich Wanderers and, if approved at the AGM, it will be known as Ashmanhaugh and Norwich Wanderers. They will be based at Neatishead although games, mainly involving the young, will still be played in Ashmanhaugh.

5 CORRESPONDENCE

- 5.1 Norfolk Police 2012/13 budget meeting – 19 January 2012. Cllr Coleman will attend.
- 5.2 Detail of winter gritting routes had been received. The Clerk has a copy of the plan which is also available to view on Norfolk County Council website. (www.norfolk.gov.uk)
- 5.3 An email which had been received from the Chair of North Norfolk Labour Party, Mr T Bartlett, concerning increases in car parking charges in North Norfolk was considered by Councillors. It was **AGREED AND RESOLVED** not to support the request for support to the motion given, as the Council had no detail on this proposal by NNDC.
Proposed Cllr H Buxton.

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6 FINANCIAL MATTERS

- 6.1** It was **AGREED AND RESOLVED** to adopt the accounts for the period 01 April to 31 December 2011. Proposed Cllr H Buxton. Cllr G Hunt signed the current bank statements to confirm that they agreed with the presented accounts.
- 6.2** The Clerk confirmed Receipts of £80.00 for the Newsletter, this included a donation of £50.00 from the Wroxham and Hoveton Lions Club towards costs associated with Ashmanhaugh Newsletter. A letter of thanks had been sent to the Secretary.
- 6.3** It was **AGREED AND RESOLVED** to make the following payments:-
- a** Repay the Clerk for the cost of printing of the Jan/Feb Newsletter.
The Clerk pointed out that the VAT would be added onto the next invoice due to an oversight by the Company.
 - b** SLCC Membership

7 ADVERTISING FOR NEW CLERK

After discussion, it was **AGREED AND RESOLVED** that the suggested advertisement was satisfactory with minor changes, which were noted by the Clerk. The Clerk would prepare the advertisement and pass to Norfolk ALC to display on their website. Proposed Cllr G Hunt.

8 MEETING DATES FOR 2012/13

- a** It was **AGREED AND RESOLVED** that the Annual Parish Council Meeting would be moved from Tuesday, 15 May 2012 to **Tuesday 01 May 2012.**
- b** It was **AGREED AND RESOLVED** to adopt the Calendar of Parish Council meetings for 2012. Proposed by Cllr G Saunders.

The meetings will be held on:

Tuesday 06 March 2012
Tuesday 20 March 2012
Tuesday 01 May 2012
Tuesday 03 July 2012
Tuesday 04 September 2012
Tuesday 06 November 2012
Tuesday 08 January 2013
Tuesday 05 March 2013

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9 PLANNING MATTERS

No Planning Applications had been received since November 2011.

10 PARISH PLAN

The Chair reported that expressions of interest in joining the Parish Plan Steering Group from Jane Pond and Ivan Sharpe were confirmed. Cllr Buxton reported that the Preston Room Management Association would try to have a representative but, as they are short of members at the moment they cannot identify who it would be.

11 THE COMMON

Cllr Buxton stated that he would have more information at the next meeting.

12 REPORTS

- a** **HAPPING PARTNERSHIP.** Cllr Hunt reported that the meeting attendance was poor. Following a decision by North North Community Partnership to withdraw funding from Partnerships, the Happing Partnership had managed to secure enough funding to keep the Happing Shop running until April 2012. The next Partnership meeting is not until May.
- b** **SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION PLAN (SNAP).** Any report from SNAP will be given by the SNAP representative at the next meeting.
- c** **PRESTON ROOMS.** Cllr Buxton reported that there were only three Trustees present at the last meeting. Therefore, they had not been able to appoint a rep for the Parish Plan. There was a need for more people from the village to become Trustees.

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13 DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Cllrs Sharp and Buxton informed members that a group of Volunteers had met to explore what to do for the Jubilee Celebrations. It was proposed the event may be split over two days, Saturday evening and Sunday. The group thought that possibly a Barn Dance at Park Farm Barn: Hog roast/BBQ and possibly Games on the Cricket field. The Working Party was asking groups to contribute to defray costs to the villagers attending. The PCC and Preston Rooms Trustees were willing to help with funding and it was agreed that the Parish Council would also, if they could secure a grant when likely costs are known, as there was no surplus in its funds. It was expected residents would pay a small amount for tickets. Funds have to be available to pay for tickets, food and entertainment.

The group of Volunteers for this working party are: Ivan Sharp (representing the Parish Council); Harry Buxton (representing St Swithin's Church); Mrs A Mulhall (representing the Preston Rooms); Mrs C Webster (representing the Cricket Club) and Ms H Flavell (representing residents).

14 MEMBERS MATTERS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Cllr G Hunt raised his concerns that there was no link between the Council and the next generation. He felt Members and other groups should consider avenues to involve younger residents with the Council and village life.

The meeting closed at 08.25pm

The date of the next Parish Council meeting is

Tuesday 06 March 2012 at 7.00pm

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WILL BE HELD ON

TUESDAY. 20TH MARCH 2012

AT 7.00pm