

**ALPINGTON WITH YELVERTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**held on Monday 2 March 2020 at 7.30pm at Alpington Village Hall**

**Present:** Jeremy McNulty (JMc) (Chairman), Kevin Gotts (KG) (Vice Chairman), David Whitehead (DW), John Lain (JL), Susan Stacey (SS), Ivan Green (IG), Louise Taylor (LT) Barry Stone and 3 members of the public.

This meeting was quorate.

- |   | <b>Action</b>                             |
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| <b>1 Apologies of absence</b><br>Apologies were given for Emma Havers   |   |
| <b>2 Declaration of Business and Pecuniary Interest</b><br>None   |   |
| <b>3 Minutes of meeting held on 4 November 2019</b><br>JMc will notify typos to Clerk. Minutes were proposed by IG and seconded by LT.<br>Corrected version will be signed by the Chairman.   | <b>JMc</b>                                |
| <b>4 Matters Arising</b><br>EH has contacted Robin Keys re dead trees on his land. EH to remind him.<br>LT will be accompanying Henry Gowman (tree warden) to inspect the trees on the Garrick Field<br>It has been agreed to hold a meeting between representatives of the Yelverton Football Club, the Parish Council and parishioners who raised concerns. Vic Thomson has agreed to mediate.<br>EH has advised Stoke United FBC that there are currently no football pitches available for hire in the Parish.<br>EH has contacted SNDC to collect from both dog waste bins on the Garrick Field. JL commented that he was not sure they were doing this. | <b>EH</b><br><b>LT</b><br><b>SS,LT,DW</b> |
| <b>5 Correspondence</b><br>None   |   |
| <b>6 Finance</b><br><br>SS referred to the PC's Financial Regulations which were originally adopted in 2015. She advised that the working group of herself, IG and JMc had reviewed them and made amendments to simplify and update them. Copies were circulated to all councillors before the meeting. The updated Financial Regulations were agreed by all councillors and re-adopted.<br>There were no queries regarding the bank account details issued by the Parish Clerk.  |   |

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<b>Finance</b>	Balance of accounts, Receipts Received, Payments to be made.			
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Balances of Accounts</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Totals</b>
	29 – Feb	Main Account	£2,295.46	
	29- Feb	Community Benefit	£12,641.21	
	29 - Feb	CIL	£2,464.66	
				<b>£17,401.33</b>
N.B. This Total includes committed amounts to previous unpaid CIL/CBF awards				
		<b>Main Account</b>		
	<b>Date</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Totals</b>
		NONE		
		<b>CBF Fund</b>		
		NONE		
		<b>CIL Account</b>		
		NONE		
		Total Receipts		£0.00
		<b>Main Account</b>		
<b>Payments</b>				
<b>Date</b>	<b>Cheque No</b>	<b>Payable to</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Totals</b>
27- Jan	INT TRNS	NPFA Subscription	£20.00	
27- Jan	INT TRNS	E Havers – Dog Poo Signs	£258.00	
		<b>CBF Account</b>		
		NONE		
		<b>CIL Account</b>		
27 – Jan	INT TRNS	CGM – Pond Project	£1,320.00	
		Total Payments		£1,598.00

**Planning**

Burgate Lane - decision still pending.

- 7 Hill Farm- following further information supplied the councillors agreed they had no objections to the application. EH to confirm this to planning officer.

EH

<b>App ref &amp; date</b>	<b>Address and Proposal</b>	<b>PC Decision</b>	<b>SNC Decision</b>
<b>2019/1440</b>	St Marys Close, Alpington, NR14 7NZ Side single storey extension	Refused	Pending
<b>2019/1593</b>	Land South of Burgate Lane, Poringland Outline planning application for the erection of up to 98 residential dwellings including 5 live/work units, structural planting and	Refused	Pending

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	landscaping and a sustainable drainage system (SuDs) with a vehicular access point from Burgate Lane. All matters reserved expect means of access.		
<b>2019/2341</b>	Yelverton Garage, Loddon Road, Yelverton, NR14 7PJ Change of use of land (ancillary to existing garage) to formation of car parking	Refused	Pending
<b>2019/2562</b>	Hill Farm, Framlingham Earl Road, Yelverton, NR14 7PD Demolition of 6 buildings and erection of 4 detached dwellings, associated garages and works		

### 8 Annual Parish Meeting

This is on 16/3/20 at the School Hall. A meeting had been held to discuss arrangements, in particular having stands from Village groups and projects. JMc had printed flyers for distribution by councillors to all households.

A4 copies to be put on Village Notice Boards.

EH had emailed Village groups and societies inviting them to participate. KG confirmed he had discussed presenting the test website with Paul Swift, who may possibly attend. If PS cannot attend KG will present together with Surlingham website.

DW to check with School regarding access to Wi-fi.

JMc has requested that someone from SNDC attend to discuss re-cycling.

LT is contacting Henry Gowman regarding presentation re Men's Shed and the Village Sign.

DW

**Post meeting note: due to Covid-19 pandemic the Annual Parish Meeting was subsequently postponed until further notice.**

### 9 Parishioners Questions and Reports from the County and District Councillor

BS advised that he had secured funding for two flashing 20 mph signs to situate on approaches to the School. These signs were solar powered and should be available in 6-8 weeks. There was a discussion regarding the position of these. The proposed position on Wheel Road was ok but JMc suggested the second sign be positioned on Church Road near the entrance to Gilbert Close.

BS

BS advised that Council Tax would increase by 1.99% plus 2% for the Social Care precept which was the same as the previous year and not an increase. His opinion was that Social Care should be funded by central government rather than local government. Boundary review proposals have been published. Loddon division will lose Woodton and Bellingham and gain Surlingham, Bramerton, Hales and Raveningham. The changes are based on projections of population to 2025.

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BS had again raised the issue of introducing a 50mph limit at Hellington Corner. The roundabout at the junction of George Lane and the A146 Loddon is likely to start in the summer.

IG raised the issue of flooding at the junction of Mill Road and Bergh Apton Road which occurred whenever it rained. BS will ask Gary Overland to look into this.

**BS**

JMc reminded that road flooding, potholes etc should be reported on the County Council website. BS advised that County Councillors had suggested ways this website could be improved, including reporting progress on issues on a Parish level.

IG also mentioned that he had reported the collapse of the sleeper bridge on the public footpath off Mill Road . BS will follow up on this.

**BS**

A parishioner raised the issue of large potholes in Back Lane. JMc suggested reporting this on the County Council website with photos if possible.

BS left the meeting at 8.20pm.

**10 Parish Projects – Pond, Play Area, Website and Village Sign**

Pond - progress in digging out the pond had been stalled by the wet weather.

Patrick Harris raised the issue of the new dog waste bin situated by the pond on behalf of neighbours. JMc explained that it had been put there due to complaints about dog waste being put in the general litter bin next to the bench. He explained this was a temporary measure until a permanent solution could be reached once the works on the Pond were completed. It was agreed that in the interim the red dog waste bin would be swapped with the green bin currently situated in Dranes Lane.

**JL**

Village Pond Monthly Inspection Report- SS had circulated a report to councillors. It was agreed that SS should ask Kevin Parfitt to trim the reeds invading the verge either side of the bench.

**SS**

JL will look to fix chicken wire netting to the wooden edge in front of the bench with assistance from other councillors if required.

**JL**

Play Area- DW confirmed that all work had been completed but that the grass still needed to grow in some areas where it had been re-seeded. It was likely that the re-opening would be at Easter.

KG reported that surface around the slide needed re-seeding. There were issues with the hedge over-hanging from neighbouring land. It was agreed to extend post and rail fence there as supplies left over .

KG to contact Steve Cushing re erecting this with payment.

**KG**

KG reported issues with some of the older equipment that needed repairs before the safety inspection was carried out prior to opening. KG to obtain quote for repairs.

**KG**

Website covered under item 8.

Community Emergency Plan- LT advised that over the next few weeks she and SS will be contacting volunteers to check details are up to date. EH to send copies of Plan to SS and LT.

**EH/SS/LT**

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**11 Garrick Field Monthly Inspection Report**

Garrick Field- JL reported that a tree had come down by the Pavilion but this was not in a dangerous position. It will be dealt with in due course.

DW reported that he had agreed the increase in the Yelverton Football Club annual rent to £400pa increasing annually in line with RPI plus 25% of any external lettings. EH to invoice Club appropriately for 2020/21.

EH

DW to ask the Club to notify the PC of any external letting in advance.

DW

With regards to the mediation meeting SS to inform the Moons about the independent mediator to chair the meeting and that the likelihood that the meeting will be in early April.

SS

DW to contact the Football Club regards their representatives.

DW

LT to check with Vic Thomson regarding availability for meeting dates.

LT

**12 Play Area Monthly Inspection Report**

Covered in item 8

**13 Village Pond Monthly Inspection Report**

Covered in item 8

**14 Village School Monthly Report**

DW reported that he had met with the new headteacher and discussed the Annual Parish Meeting arrangements and the Dog poo signs designed by the children. He had invited her to future PC meetings. She had accepted the reported issues regarding parents parking.

The School would like to use data from the Speed Camera for a Project. JMc to send DW Houston Radar link and ask Steve Austin to send raw data to the School.

JMc/DW

Dog poo signs- discussed position of new sign. Large one on Garrick Field gate, Wheel Road, Mill Road. JL to reclaim some posts from millennium wood plantation to use for mounting signs.

JL

**15 Village Hall Monthly Report**

DW reported from the last meeting. They have some asphalt to fill in some of the holes in the side parking area. Chris Blowers is investigating getting a Village Hall sign. They had requested details of our grass cutting contractors as Norse have folded. DW to email Ashfords Ground Maintenance contact details

The Village Hall AGM is on 28/4/2020. DW will attend.

DW

**16 Rangers**

No notification of forthcoming visits. EH to inform councillors when notified.

EH

**17 Police – Speeding, Parking Issues and Speed Camera**

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Speed camera had recently been moved to a new location and a new graph of volumes and speeds would be produced. It was noted that the average speed over the limit was 33 mph

**18 Fuel Oil Bulk Buying Scheme**

Nothing new to report

**19 Other matters for consideration for future agendas/ AOB**

nothing to add apart from standard additional items for May meeting regarding reviewing of Standing Orders etc.

**20 Next meeting to be held Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020 APM**

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

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<https://alpingtonandyelverton.wordpress.com>