

ALPINGTON WITH YELVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting

held on Monday 7th November '22 at 7.30pm at Alpington Village Hall

Present: Jeremy McNulty (JMc) (Chairman), Louise Taylor (LT), John Lain (JL), Ivan Green (IG), David Whitehead (DW), County Councillor Kay Mason-Billig (KMB) and two members of the public.

This meeting was quorate.

1. Apologies of Absence

Susan Stacey, Barry Gelder, District Councillor John Fuller

2. Declaration of Business and Pecuniary Interest

None

3. Minutes of the meeting held 11 July 2022

Were proposed by DW, seconded by IG, and agreed by all. JMcN to sign off.

Actions

JL will continue to chase up the church gate hinge works

JMcN has asked Gary Overland (GO) for an update on all outstanding jobs in the Parish including dealing with the Japanese Knotweed on Mill Road (Job ref. 900210704). GO confirmed that the road closure on Framingham Earl Road alongside the pond is scheduled for January. JMcN will ask KMB to chase up GO for a response on the other outstanding jobs.

4. Reports from the District and County Councillors, Correspondence and Parishioners' questions

JF advised by email that there is no update on the VCHAP consultation process which is likely to open Nov-Dec '22.

KMB advised that with the outbreak of Avian Flu in the County the public are being asked to keep to designated footpaths, not feed wild birds or touch any dead birds which should be reported to DEFRA.

All Norfolk libraries are taking part in the Warm Welcome campaign, Poringland and Loddon being the closest to us. In addition, Warm Welcome bags of items for keeping warm will be available. Loddon also has an unmanned Community Larder where people can pick up essential food items.

KMB confirmed that the 50mph speed limit on the A146 at Hellington Corner will be implemented as part of the Section 106 for the previous Green Pastures shop/café development.

KMB will escalate all outstanding Highways issues with GO.

5. Correspondence

JMcN updated that SNDC has a Warm Spaces Grant scheme, requiring that the designated space must be available for a minimum of 4 hours a week between October '22 and March '23. Both the Village Hall and St Mary's Church responded that they were unable to meet these terms. The Church were thinking along the lines of a Community Café at the Village Hall (more efficient to heat than the Church) for 2-3 hours depending on volunteers to run it and whether there were enough people in the Village who would use it. They are raising awareness to understand if there is a need for this. LT suggested that the CBF could make a hardship payment to fund this.

ALPINGTON WITH YELVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting

held on Monday 7th November '22 at 7.30pm at Alpington Village Hall

JF emailed to check that our Parish does not wish to take part in the SNDC Electric Vehicle Charging Points Installation initiative. A response was sent to confirm that our Parish has no need of these.

The annual insurance policy for the Parish Council, Village Hall and the Football Club has been renewed with the expected increase in premium. The VH and FC have paid the Parish Council their contribution.

The grounds maintenance contract is due for renewal in January 2023. It was agreed that we would roll forward with our existing contractor TOP Maintenance, with the expectation that any price increases will be in line with inflation.

Ashfords has confirmed that it will apply a herbicide treatment on the Garrick Field this week. This had been postponed because of the prolonged hot weather.

NALC (Norfolk Association of Local Councils) will be promoting the role of Parish Councils ahead of the May '23 elections when all current Parish Councillors will need to reapply if they wish to continue. They have provided posters to raise awareness and create interest in what the role involves and asked for these to be displayed in the Parish. It is hoped that this will result in more people applying for positions. This will be on the January Parish Council agenda.

A survey was received from Transport East regarding transport and parking issues across all Parishes. The Chair and Clerk responded on behalf of the PC.

6. Finance

Finance: Balance of accounts, Receipts received & Payments made			
Main Account			
Date		Amount	Totals
4 Sept 22	Balance b/f	£6,163.64	
	Payments		
28 Sept	Clerk salary and expenses	192.60	
28 Sept	PAYE	27.40	
4 Oct	Ashfords	259.50	
13 Oct	Gallagher Insurance	2,716.49	
15 Oct	Village Hall bookings 2023	126.00	
17 Oct	Murphy Pest Control	35.00	
31 Oct	Clerk salary and expenses	179.10	
31 Oct	PAYE	41.60	
3 Nov	Ashfords	259.50	
			£3,837.19
	Receipts		
21 Sept	Football Club rent	467.71	
28 Sept	Precept	4,205.00	
14 Oct	Village Hall Insurance	1,326.68	
14 Oct	Football Club Insurance	378.37	
19 Oct	Litter pick prize draw and award	220.00	

ALPINGTON WITH YELVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting

held on Monday 7th November '22 at 7.30pm at Alpington Village Hall

			£6,597.76
4 Nov 22	Balance c/f		£8,924.21
CBF Account			
Date		Amount	Totals
4 Sept 22	Balance b/f	£21,036.80	
	Payments		
16 Sept	Defibrillator	313.00	
			£313.00
	Receipts		
			£0.00
4 Nov 22	Balance c/f	£20,723.80	
<p><i>NB Balance c/f includes a maximum committed spend of £1,654.50 to unpaid CBF awards shown below leaving £19,069.30 unallocated</i></p> <p><i>£699.49 village hall goal posts/nets</i></p> <p><i>£689.95 pond project</i></p> <p><i>£265.06 Jubilee celebrations</i></p>			

CIL Account			
Date		Amount	Totals
10 July 22	Balance b/f	£3,367.22	
4 Sept 22	Balance c/f	£3,367.22	

7. Planning Applications

Application Ref.	Address and Proposal	P/Council Decision	S/Norfolk Decision
2020/2335	Land East of The Bungalow Loddon Road Yelverton Norfolk Change of use of amenity land to residential Romany Gypsy site. Erection of dayroom, store/workshop building and hard standing for mobile home and touring caravan. Appeal submitted and dismissed	Rejected	Rejected
2022/0048	Land South of Loddon Road Yelverton Norfolk Erection of agricultural building.	Rejected	Rejected
2022/1453	Land north of Mill Road Alpington Norfolk Development for four residential bungalows and detached garages together with a new access road and biodiversity area.	Rejected	Pending
2022/1459	7 Church Meadow Alpington Norfolk NR14 7NY Erection of two storey front extension with porch and external alterations.	Approved	Approved
2022/1545	Dairy Farm Readers Lane Alpington Norfolk NR14 7NW Minor alterations to listed building consent 2019/1028 – larger Windows and patio doors to south elevation	Approved	Approved
2022/1754	30 Cherrywood Alpington Norfolk NR14 7NJ Single storey front, side and rear extensions	Approved	Pending

ALPINGTON WITH YELVERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting

held on Monday 7th November '22 at 7.30pm at Alington Village Hall

8. Highways

The data from the October speed camera has been prepared and will be circulated and sent to Matt for publishing on the website. KMB advised that speeding is an issue in most villages and if it is possible to get photographic evidence of an offender the police will take the matter further.

9. CBF

To date only the Football Club has submitted a CBF application for a pair of goal posts and nets which will be an enabler to move one of the older ones to the Village Hall field. Based on the number of application forms requested it is expected that more will be submitted by the closing date.

10. Reports

Tree Warden

Nothing to report, all trees appear healthy

Village Hall Committee

LT is attending the next VH Committee meeting later in the month and will provide an update at the next PC meeting.

Village School

The school currently has 148 pupils on roll which is 8 over its maximum number.

DW will advise the school to submit a CBF application for consideration.

The school has withdrawn its staggered open and close times as it has not had the impact hoped for on traffic reduction.

Play Area Monthly Inspection

There are some remedial works needed on the perimeter fencing and other pieces of play equipment are starting to look tired. DW will carry out an assessment and share the findings ahead of the next PC meeting. The basketball net has been replaced. DW will aggregate the existing signs for the play area and propose a new sign. To tarmac under the basketball area would cost c£3k, another option is to slab the area costing c£1.7k. DW will ask David Bracey for his thoughts on the suitability of this surface.

Garrick Field Monthly Inspection

Several dead trees have been cut down and the perimeter hedging has been cut back. JMcN/JL to move the dog bin to the right hand side of the entrance to the field, further away from a neighbouring garden.

Village Pond Monthly Inspection

SS report has been circulated to Councillors. In summary there is a need trim back some trees along the left-hand edge and replace a few saplings that did not survive the hot summer. The sinking duck house has been removed from pond and will be repositioned on the island this week.

11. Parish Projects

Pond

Once the work to create a 5m length of footpath (pedestrian refuge) is completed by NCC Highways in January, further enhancements to the pond frontage can be scoped out and parishioners will be invited to comment on ideas. Money will be allocated from the CBF account dependant on the total cost of other CBF applications.

ALPINGTON WITH YELVERTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting
held on Monday 7th November '22 at 7.30pm at Alpington Village Hall

Other initiatives

LT updated that Men's Shed has removed the village sign and carried out the necessary repairs. It will be reinstated w/c 14th November.

The cleaning of the bus shelter is scheduled for early December.

It was agreed that another litter pick would be undertaken by Councillors and Saturday 3rd December. IG to circulate arrangements

The May 2023 Parish Council date will be changed to the 15th May as the 8th May is now a bank holiday to celebrate King Charles's coronation.

Meeting closed at 20.55



Signed 9th December 2022