

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 13th October 2011 at 7pm
in the Pavilion at the King George Fifth Playing Field, Drayton

PRESENT

Mrs H Kisby (Chairman)

Mr J Anderson Mr M Lamb Mr D Mack Mr K Morgan Mr W Morgan

Mr P Stanger Mr A Thompson Mr L Wilkinson

Mr J Gotts (Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr R Foulger (District Councillor Drayton South), Mr R Nash (District Councillor
Drayton North) Mr T Adams (County Councillor)

3 Parishioners

101 Apologies for Absence

Mr R Pike and Mr V Ray-Mortlock

102 Cooption of Parishioners to be Parish Council

There was nobody present willing to be co-opted.

103 Minutes of the Meeting held on the 1st September 2011

The minutes, having previously been circulated, were approved and signed by the
Chairman, after change of dates as per Mr Foulger.

104 Declarations of Interest

Mr K Morgan (Drayton Village Hall, Mr Anderson Mrs H Kisby Mr P Stanger
Mr A Thompson, (Bob Carter Management Committee) Mr D Mack,
Mr W Morgan and Mr Ray-Mortlock (Drayton Drewary), Mr A Thompson
(Handyman) Mr P Stanger (Drayton Youth Football Club)

105 Break for Parishioners Questions and Comments

Mr Gallop

Mr Gallop had sent a letter, which is to be discussed at 13.5. Mr Gallop first made an apology to Mr Foulger, publically as he had already written to Mr Foulger, already re a comment made at the last Meeting.

As Mr Gallop thought he would have no chance to participate in the debate on his letter, he stated the letter was sent, because of what he heard at the last Meeting. He quoted paragraph 5 as important and he felt the two District Councillors should make a] statement on the matter so Parishioners knew where they stood with their representation. He quoted other paragraph in his letter (copy attached). Mr Gallop had spoken to the Environment agency and local MP's and they had stated no work could be thought about until the appropriate updates to the infrastructure had been carried out.

106 Report from Police and Crime Report.

The Crime figures had been received from the Police and are held on file, no officer attended the Meeting.

Mr Stanger mentioned other crimes possibly not counted, but it was possible, they were after the report was printed.

107 Report from County Councillor

Mr Adams was present at the Meeting, but had not sent a report.

He had received a letter from a resident of Thorpe Marriott re parking on the verges, some vehicles were being advertised to sell and others advertising their businesses.

Mr Adams stated these were Police matters, although the Council could remove the For Sale cars, as this was at the weekend, however, there were no staff available to carry out the seizure

Mr Adams reported that the road junction at Felsham Way and Drewray Drive had at last been resurfaced.

Mr Stanger said the Police would not enforce the parking on verges.

Mr Adams suggested that the illegal parking and illegal right turns into Fakenham Road should be brought at the next SNAP meeting to see if this can be prioritised for action.

Mr K Morgan reported problems of tar from the road works going onto Barclay's carpets.

Mr W Morgan reported of parking problems in Carter Road.

108 Reports from District Councillors

Mr Nash

Mr Nash had sent a report prior to the Meeting which is attached to these files.

Mr Foulger

Mr Foulger had sent a report prior to the Meeting and this is attached to these Minutes.

Points arising and other matters from

- 1) Nothing extra to add.
- 2) Nothing extra to add.
- 3) Nothing extra to add
- 4) Nothing extra to add

Mr Foulger reported of the annual parish meeting held at Broadland Council, where Parish Councils reported on their projects envisaged and progress made.

- 5) Nothing extra to add, the report for this is attached separately.

109 Finance Committee

9.1 Verification of Vouchers- Mr Thompson confirmed the vouchers for the month had been verified.

9.2. Mr Anderson reported the Bank Statements for July and August were correct.

9.3 Approval of Accounts

The accounts for September 2011 were asked to be confirmed. The figures for approval were £64802.50 for receipts and £5212.66 for expenditure including VAT. On proposal of Mr Wilkinson and seconded by Mr Mack and agreed by all, the figures were approved.

9.4 Committee Meeting 27th October 2011

Mr Anderson reminded members of the date of the next meeting.

110 General Matters

10.1 Parish Plan

Mrs Kisby reported the handing over of the Parish Plan to the Parish Council on the 12th October and reminded Councillors this should be adopted for implementation and it was suggested all Councillors look on the appropriate web site to view. The Plan and its adoption will be on the next agenda.

Standing Orders were suspended.

Mr Nash asked if the Parish office would have a copy, it was reported it would soon.

Standing Orders reinstated.

10.2 Illegal Parking on KGV

The Clerk reported of parking of cars from a wedding reception on 10th September from a dwelling on Drayton High Road, even with a notice of Parking here being erected.

After discussion, it was agreed the Clerk would comment in his notes in the next Drayton Chronicle.

Discussions took place on other parking issues at the King George Playing field, and suggesting Police should be asked to move on.

Standing Orders suspended.

Mr Adams stated on experiences of Hellesdon Parish Council this would not happen, without the premises being totally secure.

Standing Orders reinstated.

111 Environment and Amenities Committee

11.1 Committee Meeting 17th October.

Mrs Kisby reminded members of the above meeting, when it was hoped Mr Allaway would attend.

11.2 Allotment Meeting 18th October 2011

Mrs Kisby reminded members of this meeting date, when a representative of the National Allotment Society will attend. It was reported that the event had already been advertised in the Eastern Evening News.

112 Highways Committee

12.1 Minutes of Meeting of 8th September 2011.

After a change in the Apologies for Absence section, Mr Anderson proposed that these minutes were correct, which was agreed by all members.

12.2 Replies from Highways and Police from Meeting

Mr Anderson said the replies were not acceptable and the matters should be relisted for the next committee meeting.

113 Planning Committee

13.1 Planning Applications

There were none on the agenda for this month, all decided 6th October 2011.

13.2 BDC Planning Decisions received.

None received.

13.3 BDC Planning Enforcements

Nothing had been received.

13.4 Report and Minutes of Meeting of 6th October 2011

Mr Wilkinson proposed the minutes prepared were correct, which was agreed by all members.

The proposed letter of our comments on the proposed development sites should now be sent to Broadland Council.

13.5 Letter from Mr Gallop

A letter had been received from Mr Gallop on his unhappiness with comments made by District Councillors at the last meeting, on the proposed developments in the Parish.

This letter is attached to these minutes.

Comments of Parish and District Councillors

- 1) Mr Wilkinson said he agreed with Mr Gallop on a lot of his comments and as the Parish Plan had just been prepared the Council should support its findings and we should object to the proposed developments. Mr Wilkinson thought that the District Councillors should support the Parishioners.
- 2) Mr Anderson agreed with Mr Gallop and felt the District Councillors should support the Parish Council.
- 3) Mr Stanger felt if the District Councillors did not support the Parish Council, the Council planning is a pointless exercise. He also said, what has happened to the Localism Bill which was supposed to give Parishes more power.
- 4) Mr K Morgan felt that the changes were happening all over Broadland.
- 5) Mr W Morgan said that planning matters came to the Parish first for comment, then the District makes a decision. If the plan meets the right criteria, it cannot be challenged, therefore the District Councillors must get frustrated, also. Mr Morgan, also said we have been well served by our District Councillors and our thanks should be given to them.

6) Standing Orders were suspended for Mr Foulger, Mr Nash and Mr Gallop to speak.

- 7) Mr Foulger first accepted Mr Gallop's apology. Mr Foulger explained that in the Greater Norwich growth area that housing for the younger generation was being promoted. The Housing need, infrastructure and employment must be in place between 2026 and 2031. As there is a major crisis in housing and living standards something must be done. As there is not much brown field land in the Broadland area, agricultural land would have to be used. A lot of people who are living in Drayton were living on former agricultural use land. There are only limited developments in Drayton in comparison to other Parishes, Mr Foulger stated. Where originally where permission had already been given, there was no obligation to build, with the new National Policy Planning framework, there was now a need to build. He stated that as many parishioners as possible to attend the 28th October meeting giving their views would be a positive consultation. Mr Foulger accepted he had a responsibility for the parishioners of Drayton he was also had responsibility to the Broadland cabinet post. Mr Foulger said he had always supported his Parishioners in all matters and he gave four instances where his input had helped residents over planning matters. On a query from Mr Wilkinson, Mr Foulger stated he would look into planning applications that keep getting renewed for the last 20-30 years and report back. With regards to the Old Hill property he would investigate the non occupancy as pointed out by Mrs Kisby.
- 8) Mr Lamb and Mr W Morgan stated they recognised the work Mr Foulger had carried out since his first election.
- 9) Mr Nash first read out a letter from Mr Kirby dated May 2010, where it was stated that in the Greater Norwich Area there would need to be around 10,000 new homes by 2026 where 3000 would need to be built in the fringe areas. He hoped the new homes in Drayton would be for younger people to give Drayton a boost and for employment. Mr Wilkinson felt Mr Nash was getting muddled re his comments. Mr Nash said whatever was said it was fairly certain that all shortlisted sites would go ahead.
- 10) Mr K Morgan wished it noted in the minutes that Mr Foulger had served Drayton, excellently.
Mr Gallop said he was exasperated by Mr Nash's remarks and he stated he was asking about the future with Mr Foulger not work he had carried out in the past. Mr Gallop accepts that houses will be needed but so is agriculture for food for the future.
Standing Orders were reinstated.

114 Playing Fields Committee

14.1 Committee Meeting on 20th October
Mr Anderson reminded members of the forthcoming meeting.

115 Newsletter Committee

15.1 Updates
Mr Thompson said preparations were under way on the next magazine.

116 Staffing Committee

16.1 Meeting 27th October 2011
Mr Mack reminded members of the above meeting.

117 Exchange of Information

- (1) Mr Mack said he had listened to all sides in 13.5 and he had already been informed of inadequate water supplies and shortages of some foods. When houses are built, he said, there would be no way back for agricultural land. He had also heard in the last few days of electric supplies being not enough to cope, now. What about all this future development and electrical supplies, he said.
- (2) Mr Thompson reminded all Councillors who were interested in going to the Christmas meal to let the Clerk know as soon as possible with a £5 deposit. The date being 9th December at the Cock Public House.
- (3) Mr W Morgan stated the Speed watch team were getting extremes on vehicles travelling on Fakenham Road, some over 50 mph and one at 10 mph. Had we written for report on findings, yet? It was said all queries should be addressed to Mr Charnock.. Mr Morgan also stated how wise it had been to keep the Planning committee going with all that is happening now.
- (4) Mr Anderson said he was not happy with the Meeting dates being changed, which he felt was against our Standing Orders. He felt in future that this should not happen. Mrs Kisby said that after December 2011, no meeting dates would be changed unless for a major reason.

Meeting closed at 8.58 pm.

118 Time and Venue of next Council meeting

The Next meeting of the Council will be held on the 2nd November 2011 at 7pm at the King George Fifth Playing Field, Drayton.

Signed by.....

Chairman 2nd November 2011