

CROXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm 12th October 2017

Present:	Robert King	RK	Chairman
	Ivor Andrew	IA	Vice-Chairman
	Doug Stephen	DS	Councillor
	Gerald Goucher	GG	Councillor
	Joanne Smith	JS	Parish Clerk / RFO
	Residents	Mr. & Mrs. White	

Apologies: Apologies received from Fabian Eagle - Norfolk County Councillor, Sam Chapman-Allen - Breckland District Councillor and William Nunn - Breckland District Councillor.

Declarations of interest: No declarations of interest were received.

Minutes of the previous meeting:

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th September 2017 had been circulated and read as accurate. Proposed by DS, seconded by GG, and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising:

1. District Council & County Council Reports:

Norfolk County councillor:

RK has been in contact with FE to discuss further the ongoing concerns of the sinkholes in the village, including the 5 new ones appearing in Earl Warren, FE has advised that he is putting the pressure on to get a result and will give an update ASAP.

Breckland District Councillor:

SC-A BD Councillor has reported an update on the Travellers situation (A11 Bypass). Norfolk police have asked the Crown Estate to pay for the uplift of the Travellers but Crown has declined to pay any costs.

BDC plans to close this site and has funds available to restore the site to its former condition prior to use by Travellers, and are ready to carry out work as and when the Travellers are removed.

2. Highways Issues:

The Street-ongoing issues – RK advised he has spoken to Dave Jacklin (NCC) who has been in contact with Barhales who have been unresponsive in their reply.

RK phoned Anglian Water who has offered to put a CCTV camera down the line. This should be carried out within the next week (Job number 54171685)

3. GTDP

Next Board meeting – Scheduled for 13th October – Previous draft minutes circulated.

The GTDP Board Chairman is due to retire from his post – The Vice-Chairman will be chairing the next meeting.

Communities Sub-Group

The last meeting of the 20th September 2017 had good attendance from the public.

Kate Murrell NCC Waste Reduction and Recycling Manager was present to discuss the issues of Fly tipping / waste disposal. A member of the public has witnessed and reported fly tipping in Thetford town - Breckland Council have at present not followed this incident up. There has been an increase of hazardous waste material within Thetford Town. Thetford Recycling and Waste Material Plant was reported to be the best in the County.

The lack of Bus Services continues to be an issue.

The steps leading up the ticket office at the railway station have been reported to be a safety issue due to having no handrail. Sub-Group chairman will raise the matter of no handrail on the Railway station steps with Greater Anglia.

It was noted that the Sub-Group should also review Chairmanship and Membership on a yearly basis.

Next Meeting is scheduled for November 2017

4. JNP Progress:

Positive progression - all responses are currently with A. Long - draft working copies of REG 16 Documents should be available for review by the end of the October. RK to circulate when these are available.

Steering Group meeting to be arranged after reviews.

Current Funding expires in November 2017 - RK has made an application to Breckland for Match Funding to the total of £4461.00 – no update at present.

5. Defibrillator / VETS:

Voluntary collection taken at RNA Club (CPC not notified). Dave Vick advised that Child Pads have been purchased from the money collected. These have not been requested or purchased through the CPC and are not kept with the defibrillator. CHT recommended that these Child pads should be kept with party at 'highest risk' to avoid complications associated with changing pads in use.

6. Matters Arising:

Speed signs in the village – Questionnaire flyer has been distributed (5th October)
Good response from residents – 32 at present. Currently approximately 92% are in favor of fixed signs. A decision is needed upon the type of sign and funding to be looked into. RK to put together costings / info etc. Possible funding may be available from NCC. Highways will need to be notified and involved as to the positioning of the fixed signs.

7. Finance:

Finance (September statement)	Current A/c	£ 6,478.48
Including final Funding for JNP (£4190.00)	Business A/c	£ 7,428.51
Outgoings since last Statement		£ 1,289.07

8. Planning:

TRE/2017/0240/TCA – Wyndham Lodge, <u>remove</u> diseased	Undecided
TRE/2017/0219/TCA - Wyndham Lodge Horse Chestnut tree	Withdrawn
TRE/2017/0153/TCA – Horse Chestnut – tree dead at Church	CA / Exempt
3PL/2017/0614/F – 40 The Street New 2 storey dwelling (Revised Plans submitted 30/08/17)	Permission

9. Correspondence:

Refer to correspondence from 13th June to current date, plus:
Breckland Local Plan: Pre-submission publication – Closed
2017 Precept – 2nd payment – received
Blood Transfusion Service

AOB:

Pat Miles retirement gift. CPC have decided it would be appropriate to put together a retirement gift – M & S Gift Vouchers have been decided. GG to arrange. RK to sign on behalf of the CPC.
Croxtton Village Burglary – Mrs. Emberton was burgled 2 weeks ago, a trailer and mower have been reported missing.
SUE – First phase of 343 houses due to start early 2018

There being no other business the Chairman Closed the Meeting at 8.30pm



R. King
Chairman

Date of next meeting: Thursday 9th November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall