CROXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 14th March 2019

Present: Robert King RK Chairman

Ivor AndrewIAVice ChairmanGerald GoucherGGCouncillorDoug StephenDSCouncillor

Diana Goucher DG Clerk/RFO

Apologies: Christine Carr (Councillor)

Declaration of Interest: None declared

Minutes of the last meeting held on 14th February 2019

Having been circulated these were agreed as accurate. Proposed by DS seconded by GG.

Matters Arising:

1. District Council and County Council Reports:

Neither Councillors were present.

2. GTDP:

RK reported next meeting would be in Carnegie Rooms on 20th March 2019 at 2.30pm

DS reported Sub Group meeting will be on same day at 7pm in Guildhall

3. JNP Progress:

RK reported CPC should have final copies in about two weeks together with the necessary maps.

4. SAM2 Speed Sign:

IA waiting for Speed Watch c0-ordinator (CC) to let advise when and where she wants the sign positioned. RK to investigate making full use of all the information gathered.

5. Finance:

Finance (March statements) Current A/c £2,857.85

Business A/c £9,975.23

Outgoings since last statement £ 199.93

DG reported changing bank to Lloyds (Thetford) is underway.

6. Play Area Repairs Review:

Nick Manderfield has suggested repair to Beauchamp walkway will cost approx. £40 and it will be done as soon as necessary.

BDC S106 Programme Officer has passed S106 Fund Application to Committee with recommendation to approve/ Funds should be with CPC within 3-4 weeks.

7. Thetford Governance Review:

Nothing to report.

8. Parish Council Elections:

Andrew Poore and Paul Dauny have both agreed to stand for election on 2nd May 2019. A discussion followed with regard to forms. Chairman to forward Electoral Application Forms to all applicants.

9 Planning:

3PL/2019/0141/HOU 8 Hill House Lane 1 & 2 storey extensions **3PL/2018/1417/F** – 10 Church Avenue Convert to 2 dwellings **30B/2018/0011/OB** – Norwich Road Approval of Tonure mix of Affordable Housing – Planning Obligation **3DC/2018/0168/DOC** – Disch. Condition 46 on 3PL/2011/0805/O **undecided**

9. New Items Raised:

Parking Obstruction

On hill at Hillrise Cottages was discussed – NCC Highways say it is a Police matter as there is an obstruction under Highway Code. Chairman to investigate.

Norse Grounds Maintenance – New contract is for three years starting at £407 40 + Vat for 2019 and thereafter maximum 3% increase each year... Council agreed this should be accepted – RK to sign Contract.

Parish Council Elections May 2019 – nominations need to be delivered to BDC by 4pm on 3rd April 2019.

Local Plan Review – Councillors remarked that in the latest Local Plan the Inspector has recommended removal of conditions (agreed with BDC) under Policy HOU5 which they had understood were for additional protection for the village with the removal of the Settlement Boundary. No reason has been given for this action – the assurance the Council was given has apparently been arbitrarily removed. DG to contact NALC and CPRE to seek their views. 1st April 2019 is the deadline with BDC, Chairman will submit CP Council concerns and views on BDC consultation website.

10. Correspondence:

Correspondence since last meeting plus: Council agreed to continue support of NHS Blood/Transplant Unit.

11. Defibrillator:

Council agreed no payment should be made for VETS Phone system as it has never been operational. Chairman has already advised of this...

AOB

DG to contact Carter Jonas to report tree rubbish dumped inside pond area. DG to contact electrician on Harefield Road to ask advice re light in telephone kiosk. Chairman to follow up with Payphones BT

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm

R. King Chairman

