CROXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on

Thursday 17th January 2018

Present: Ivor Andrew IA Vice Chairman

Gerald Goucher GG Councillor
Christine Carr CC Councillor
Doug Stephen DS Councillor
Diana Goucher DG Clerk and RFO

Mr and Mrs Steve Jones Residents

Apologies: R King (Chairman) Fabian Eagle (NCC)

Declaration of Interest: None declared

Minutes of the previous meeting held on November 8th 2018 had been circulated and were agreed as accurate. Proposed by DS seconded by GG and signed by the Vice Chairman.

Matters Arising:

1. District Council & County Council Reports: Neither Councillor was present.

2. GTDP:

Date of the next meeting is to be advised

Communities Sub Group – DS reported two new candidates have been appointed and will be attending the next Community Sub Group meeting. It was agreed the Group would make an effort to recruit more independent members. The Chairman Robert Whittaker agreed to remain in place for the next meeting. Public attendance at the meeting on January 16th 2019 was disappointing. Parking at the Railway Station was discussed – Thetford Town Council are to explore the possibility of relocating the Mundford Road allotments to make space for parking. Train fares and expansion of Cycle Paths were also discussed. Lack of progress in the answering of the Sub Committee questions by both Town and District Councils is causing frustration.

3. JNP Progress:

IA reported a 31% turned out for the Referendum on 10th January with 89.8% voting to support the Neighbourhood Plan which will now go forward to BDC for approval at their next meeting on January 24th 2019.

4. SAM2 Speed Sign:

IA reported the CDHC Trustees have agreed to allow provision for a second speed sign to be attached at White Lion Cottages. IA and Nick Manderfield will be overseeing this. CC asked that two more brackets be ordered she also reported Mike Carr is downloading Data from speed sign.

5. Finance:

• Finance (January Statement) Current a/c £3,178.85

Business Account £9,969.59

Outgoings since last statement £ 159.18

6. Play Area Repairs/Inspection:

IA reported PC would apply for S106 funding for repairs/replacement of all of the swings supports. The Beauchamp Unit swinging walkway will eventually be fixed. GG will send the PC an invoice for £33.28 to cover cost of warning sign on the playing field. A discussion followed with regard to reports of Drone flying on the playing field. DS agreed to investigate the Rules/Regulations of Drone use in public places and report back to PC. IA reported the new Security Camera at the back of the Hall is now up and working.

7. Thetford Governance Review: Nothing further to report at this time. Nothing likely to happen until Elections in 2023 when there will have been changes by the Boundary Commission.

8. Planning:

30B/2018/0011/0B- Norwich Road Approval of Tonure mix of Affordable Housing – Planning Obligation undecided 3DC/2018/0168/DOC- Disch. Condition 46 on 3PL/2011/0805/0 undecided 3PL/2018/1043/F Former Methodist Chapel Conversion – withdrawn Councillors agreed Mr and Mrs Jones should be allowed to comment on this application. They (Mr and Mrs Jones) produced copies of a letter from Highways with clear misinformation on the recent history of its use and parking of vehicles - a discussion followed – Mr and Mrs Jones will to draw Highways attention to this error, but as this particular planning application has been withdrawn they will wait until the applicant reapplies.

9. Correspondence: Nothing significant to report

10. Defibrillator: As stands in minutes.

11. New Items Raised:

No 15 Church Avenue has been tidied up and only one car remains. Councillors unsure whether property is occupied at moment.

AOB

Parish Council Elections 2019 – as on minutes

Dates of PC meetings until May 2019 at bottom of November minutes.

There being no further business to discuss the Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm

I. Andrew

Vice Chairman

R.King

<u>Date of next Parish Council Meeting – Thursday 14th February 2018 at 7.30pm</u> <u>in Village Hall</u>