

MINUTES OF CROXTON PARISH ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Croxton Village Hall on Thursday 13th May 20201

Councillors/Officers responding

Doug Stephen	DS	Vice Chairman
Gerald Goucher	GG	Councillor
Andy Poore	AP	Councillor
Paul Dauny	PD	Councillor
Dave Vick	DV	Councillor
Diana Goucher	DG	Clerk (Retiring)
Romy Dawson	RD	Clerk/RFO

Apologies for Absence: S Chapman-Allen (BDC)

Also in attendance Councillor Robert Kybird

Any Declarations of Interest There were none.

Vice Chairman's Report The Vice Chairman's report had been circulated to all.

Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming the new clerk and all in attendance to the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

He then asked the clerk to take over proceedings while he stepped down as Vice Chairman. The clerk then asked for nominations to take the chair of the Parish Council. Councillor Goucher proposed and Councillor Dauny seconded a motion that Councillor Stephen be elected as Chairman and this was carried unanimously.

Resolved: Councillor Stephen be elected Chairman for the year ensuing.

The Chairman then asked for nominations for Vice Chairman. Councillor Poore proposed and Councillor Goucher seconded a motion that Councillor Dauny be elected as Vice Chairman and this was carried unanimously.

Resolved: Councillor Dauny be elected Vice Chairman for the year ensuing.

Minutes of telephone meeting held on 8th April 2021. These had been circulated previously, were agreed and approved. Councillor Goucher proposed and Councillor Poore seconded the approve the meeting which was agreed unanimously. These were then signed by the Chairman.

Resolved: The minutes be approved.

Matters Arising

- 1. Norfolk County Council** Councillor Eagle not in attendance.
- 2. Breckland District Council** Report by Councillor Chapman-Allan had been circulated.

- 3. GTP** Thanks were given to Councillor Kybird for his comments to the Boundary Commission which were considered essential in the Boundary Commissions decision to keep Brettenham & Kilverstone and Croxton Parish councils in a rural ward.

Councillor Vick attend the first GTP Meeting and it was reported that there were two presentations reporting on the SUE progress. The presentations were by Bowyer for Taylor Wimpy and the following comments were made during the meeting:

- a. It would appear that none of the houses being built will have solar panels, though Bowyer could give no reason as to why not.
- b. During the discussion of the proposed changes to the Junctions 2A and 2B of the A11 it was generally agreed that these changes were considered inadequate. It was felt that a longer slip road was required, not a shorter one and that the bends on the junction were even sharper than they currently are which was considered unsafe due to the speed of vehicles coming off the A11.
- c. Healthcare spending is still considered insufficient for the SUE's needs.

4. Playing Field Update on Fencing and Annual Inspection of Play equipment

It was reported that the application for match funding (£1440 had gone to Breckland Council and a decision was expected at the end of May. Councillor Kybird will consult with Councillor Chapman-Allen and make further enquiries and report at the next meeting.

The annual inspection of the play equipment will take place in June by a new inspector and the Chairman would request a phone call before the visit in order to meet and give a tour to the new inspector.

It was also reported that some of the black matting had come away from one of the adult's equipment, causing a hazard. Councillor Goucher to look into fixing the matting down with some security stakes.

5. Planning 3PL/2021/0331/F

<http://planning.breckland.gov.uk/OcellaWeb/planningDetails?reference=3PL/2021/0331/F&from=planningSearch> It was reported that the initial Planning Application had been recommended for refusal and reasons quoted were as per below:

- a. non-compliance with national planning policy 79e and
- b. non-compliance with Local Plan regulations regarding settlement boundaries.

After discussion it was agreed that the PC would take no further action.

- 6. Street Sign at Church Avenue** The Chairman reported that this sign would now be fixed and if any street signs needed replacing then Breckland would be contacted.

7. Finance: Statement up to 2nd May 2021

Current Account	£13,469.47
Saving Account	£ 4,203.51
Outgoings during month	£ 610.67
Income (VAT Reclaim)	£ 156.67

It was reported that the Annual Accounts had been examined by the internal auditor and had been signed off. After comments were invited Mrs Goucher wished to express her thanks to Mr Mandeville, the Internal Auditor, for all his help in preparing all the spreadsheet documents in readiness for the new clerk.

Correspondence There was none.

AOB A brochure regarding the building of a Pétanque Court was distributed and will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Acceptances of Office were distributed, completed, signed and then counter-signed by the clerk.

Dates of next meetings There being no other business, the PC agreed the following dates for the ensuing year:

July 8th
September 9th
November 11th
January 13th
March 10th
May 12th

The meeting closed at 20:29.

Minutes agreed:

D Stephens
Chairman

Date: