

MINUTES OF CROXTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Croxton Village Hall on Thursday 9th March 2023

1. In Attendance

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

2. Any Declarations of Interest There were none.

3. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th January 2023.** These had been circulated previously, were agreed and approved. Councillor Stephen proposed and Councillor Goucher seconded the approval of minutes of the meeting which was agreed unanimously. These were then signed by the Chairman.

Resolved: The minutes be approved.

4. Matters Arising

- i. **Norfolk County Council** Councillor Eagle was not present.
- ii. **Breckland District Council** Councillor Kybird was not present.
- iii. **GTP** The following was reported:
 - a. Part of the new plans are to use about 60 of the allotment plots near the station to increase car parking.
 - b. Passenger railway bridge to be modernized; work is to commence soon and finished by the end of the year.
 - c. There are plans to refurbish and repurpose the old signal box.
 - d. Thetford Branding to take place which is to consist of: Engagement, Visual ID and Implementation.
 - e. SUE: Electrical power cable to be inserted below Nunn's bridges; timeframe to be confirmed.
 - f. Planning permission has been approved to extend the parking at the Healthy Living Centre and the extension of the Healthy Living Centre itself to include 14 new treatment rooms.
- iv. **New Potential Councillors** For the next election it was proposed that councillors wishing to stand again would meet up and complete their forms; this also included the two members of the public who had expressed an interest in becoming a councillor and who attended the meeting.
- v. **Playground** Old rotten posts have now been removed. Village Hall Committee have also discussed fundraisers to purchase new playground equipment.
- vi. **EV charging point** Scottish Power will need to change the tails, however, after some discussion it was agreed to approach MP to push for progress and to approach UK Power to see whether they could change the tails.

5. Planning

a. **Mobile phone Mast – Devil's Punch Bowl**

A letter had been received from a parishioner who expressed concern about the decision to allow the mast to be erected. They were particularly concerned about the mast would destroy the area aesthetically. This prompted another discussion about the mast and it was again decided that the benefit to the area outweighed the

concerns as it would vastly improve coverage. Clerk to respond to Parishioner.

- b. **Local Plan**
No further update.
- c. **JNP**
Councillor Poore to contact Councillor Engwell (B&K).

6. Finance

a. Financial Report: Statement up to 12th January 2023

Savings Account	Balance at last meeting	£10,814.33	
Incoming			new Balance £10,814.33
Current Account			£10,187.41
Outgoings	23/01/2023 URM	£17.28	
	18/01/2023 Npower	£84.02	
	23/01/2023 Clerk Oct-Dec	£221.00	
	23/01/2023 HMRC Tax Oct-Dec	£52.00	
	05/03/2023 CGM	£75.00	
	17/02/2023 Npower	£81.55	
	22/11/2023 URM invoice 1015217/1015355	£68.26	
	Total Expenses	£599.11	
		Subtotal	£9,588.30
Income			£0.00
		Total Current	£9,588.30
	09/03/2023	Total in both Accounts	£20,402.63

- b. **Precept:** Clerk to contact Breckland to confirm precept.

7. Correspondence

No other correspondence.

8. AOB

- a. Vodafone boosters to be upgraded to 4G; work to start in about 3-4 months.
- b. Two boxes of old documents had been found in the Village Hall relating to PC business; clerk to check with Thetford Town Council and Archives if they wish to take charge of it.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.01.

Minutes agreed:

P Dauny
Chairman

Date: