

MINUTES OF CROXTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Croxton Social Club on Thursday 18th January 2024

1. Attendance

The following were present:

Paul Dauny	PD	Chairman
Andy Poore	AP	Vice Chairman
Carrie Goucher	CG	Councillor
Dave Vick	DV	Councillor
Emma Grist	EG	Councillor
Romy Dawson	RD	Clerk/RFO

2. Any Declarations of Interest There were none.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd November 2023. These had been circulated previously, were agreed and approved. Councillor Vick proposed and Councillor Poore 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 not present.
- ii. **Breckland District Council** Councillor Chapman-Allen was not present
- iii. **GTP** The meeting having been cancelled there was no update but will now take place quarterly.
- iv. **Playground** An inspection will need to be booked for Spring. Metal clamps as well as other options discussed to protect the posts from strimmer damage. Replacement equipment in the future was discussed but no decisions made as yet. Replacement Bat board on basketball hoops may potentially be made by parishioner, but to be confirmed.
- v. **EV charging point** It was reported that the tails still cannot be fitted despite the PC being contacted by BDC. One viable option would be to look into a new electricity provider who then would be able to finally fit the new tails. Chairman to be explore options.

5. Planning

- a. There were no planning issues.
- b. **Local Plan** An letter objecting to the Local Plan was discussed as it will need to be submitted within the next few weeks. Letter will include the following:
 - i. A11 should not be breached by development as there is no justification
 - ii. Environmental impact and conservation issuesDraft letter to be sent to Chairman by the weekend so that he can finalise and sign on behalf of the Parish Council.
- c. **JNP**

The JNP was discussed at length and it was decided that the Clerk would contact Andrea Long to obtain a quote on extracting all relevance to Brettenham and Kilverstone, essentially making it a Neighbourhood Plan.

6. Finance

a. Financial Report: Statement up to 18th January 2024

Savings Account	Balance at last meeting	£11,000.48	1100048
Incoming	Quarterly Interest	£76.25	
		new Balance	£11,076.73
Current Account			£12,577.65
Outgoings	31/12/2023 Unity Trust Quarterly Fee	£18.00	
	11/12/2023 URM Recycling Glass	£30.24	
	11/12/2023 VETS Community Heartbeat	£120.00	
	19/12/2023 Npower invoice IN09096775	£176.97	
	18/01/2024 NPower Invoice IN09357044	£183.34	
	13/01/2024 HMRC - Clerk Income Tax	£52.00	
	13/01/2024 Clerk office expenses Oct-Dec 23	£13.00	
	13/01/2024 Clerk Remuneration Oct-Dec 23	£221.00	
	Total Expenses	£814.55	
		Subtotal	£11,763.10
Income			
		Total Current	£11,763.10
	18/01/2024	Total in both Accounts	£22,839.83

- b. **Budget** The budget had been circulated and discussed; final to be approved at the next meeting. Clerk reported that her salary would have to be adjusted on the budget as she was currently below minimum wage, a small oversight. Minimum wage is now also set to increase in April; Clerk to adjust budget and circulate.

7. Correspondence

There was no further correspondence.

8. AOB

- a. Church Lights – TT Jones had not received the email regarding the faulty light despite that this was sent in December, however, this has now been rectified. Light to be fixed as soon as possible.
- b. The proposal of 30mph Bin Stickers as discussed at the last meeting have proved a popular

idea in the village; The Chairman proposed to purchase 100 stickers at a cost of £91.90 and distributed as appropriate. This was seconded by Councillor Poore and was agreed unanimously.


RESOLVED To purchase the bin stickers and distribute.

- c. Councillor Vick to obtain local q for refurbishing the Phonebox and Notice Boards to be obtained.
- d. D-Day 80th Anniversary: This event was discussed at length with the following results:
 - i. Social Club would be open and will apply for the £500 grant made available
 - ii. Social Club will organize decorations, food etc. and distribute flyers advertising the event
 - iii. Lighting of the beacon to be organized and PC will reimburse for fuel.
 - iv. Rolling historic footage in the background, perhaps music.

The next meeting to take place on 21st March 2024.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.40hrs.

Minutes agreed:



P Dauny
Chairman

Date: 21st March 2024