

CROXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm 12th April 2018

Present:	Robert King	RK	Chairman
	Ivor Andrew	IA	Vice Chairman
	Doug Stephen	DS	Councillor
	Gerald Goucher	GG	Councillor
	Sam Chapman-Allen	SC-A	Breckland District Councillor
	Joanne Smith	JS	Parish Clerk / RFO
	Residents:	Christine Carr (Speed Watch)	
	Visitor:	Mr. A Cruise (Rushford)	

Apologies: No apologies were received

Declarations of interest:

GG expressed a declaration of interest to item 5.2 on the Agenda – Ponds N of the Street.

Minutes of the previous meeting:

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 8th March 2018 had been circulated and read. Correction required to the minutes – Mr. A Cruise to be noted as a visitor. With this correction the Minutes were proposed by IA, seconded by GG, and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising:

1. Reports from County Council & District Council:

No Norfolk County Councillor Present

Breckland District Councillor:

SC-A delivered a short report which included –

- The Corporate Plan has been achieved.
- New Housing Regulation requiring landlords to give 10 weeks' notice to all tenants.
- Shop online App for Market Towns launch. A new initiative being led by Breckland District council to help support local businesses across the district. Launching over the next few months.
- Breckland Lottery launch by end of March 2018.
- Travelers update – 14 day notices to remove all horses will be served as from week commencing 16.04.18.

2. Highways Issues:

The Street: – RK raised matter to pa of MP Liz Truss (Fiona Walker) and received acknowledgement that action would be taken.

3. GTDP

Next Meeting – Took place on Monday 9th April 2018

Previous minutes were circulated.

IA attended this meeting and reported matters raised included:

Concerns regarding new charges for DIY waste at the Recycling Centre. This may increase and encourage fly tipping. SC-A advised this is a trial and will be assessed in October 2018.

Roberta Wilner (NCC) will be producing a marketing and promotion of Thetford Enhancements Report.

Thetford Town Councillor Terry Jermy will be replaced on GTDP by Thetford Councillor to be advised.

Communities Sub-Group update –

Last meeting was held on the 21st March 2018 where 11 members of the public attended. This is an encouraging increase in public attendance. Matters discussed included:

- Transport and Railway Station Parking
- Cycling / Walking report is being processed
- Education in the SUE – Comments regarding a confirmed date for the completion of the school within the SUE.
- Ongoing Fly Tipping was mentioned
- Presentation of Little Ouse Water Study.
- **Re-Election of members of the Sub-Group applications closes on 31st May 2018.**

4. JNP Progress:

Regulation. 16 Consultation has finished. Details of available Inspector /Examiners have been provided by BDC. To review with A. Long...

5. Other Matters Arising:

1.Speed Signs in Village –

Award approved 19/03/18 (£1,664.00) Funding offer from NCC Councillor FE confirmed. Proposed 5 locations have been agreed with the Highways Engineer and forwarded to NCC Highways for formal approval.

2.Ponds North and South of The Street-

GG observed over Easter when we experienced heavy rainfall that drainage to the North village pond was functioning reasonably well and that there were no major signs of concern.

6. Finance:

Finance (2 nd April statement)	Current A/c	£ 3,285.52
	Business A/c	£ 7,900.91
Outgoings since last Statement		£ 1,907.32

Documents for Annual Return have been received from new auditors and are being processed.

Clerk/RK to follow up process for obtaining exemption of Audit Fees

7. Play Area:

Mole Hill Action – RK to contact Steven Beal

Arrange cut before 12th May (Summer Fete) RK to arrange with Norse a date

A full internal Play Equipment inspection needed as some maintenance/repairs are required.

Parish Council Insurance for Summer Fete confirmed with insurers.

Insurance for Bonfire/Fireworks night needs to be checked with insurers.

8. Thetford Governance Review:

BDC Governance Sub-Group meeting on 28th March results to be circulated

Croxton Leaflet Response results circulated

A FOI request has been received from R. Whittaker

9. Planning:

3PL/2017/1576/D – Phase 1a of Kingsfleet (SUE)	Undecided
4th June BDC planning meeting	
3PL/2018/0137/HOU - 40 The Street (existing semi-detached dwelling)	
Re-positioning of new double garage	Permission

10. Correspondence:

Refer to correspondence from 8th March 2018 to current date plus:

- Norfolk Age UK Donation request letter – No donation as per CPP policy
- Change in Data Protection Regulations 63-page document from MALC. NALC/GDPR awareness courses running. It was agreed that IA and RK should attend 'course' on 23 April.

AOB:

- EPR Annual Local Liaison Meeting documents circulated.
- Old School House – Sewer connection notified to Highways/NCC
- Croxton Road Litter complaint – a resident was noted clearing litter ?

- Suggestion from NCC for pot hole Volunteer Repair Teams – IA and DS not in favor. Questions of Quality of the repair? Insurance? Health and Safety? Road closure? Traffic Control?
- Mrs Christine Carr advised availability to return to Council following an agreed break for personal reasons..All Councillors were in favor...

There being no other business to discuss the Chairman Closed the Meeting at 8.40pm

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. King". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

R. King
Chairman

Date of next meeting: Thursday 10th May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall