

# ROYDON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7.00pm at Pott Row Village Hall**

**In Attendance: Councillors: Suzi Pimlott (Chair) Michael Rae, Neville Fletcher, Colin Nichols, Marc Starling, 1 member of the public.**

**Clerk: Pippa Winson**

**41/22 To consider apologies for absence.**

Apologies received from C Manning and T Tilbrook.

**42/22 To consider Requests for Dispensations from the restriction on participating in the discussion or voting on a matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.**

None.

**43/22 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

Having been circulated prior to the meeting, the minutes were agreed and signed.

**44/22 To record Councillors' declarations of interest on Agenda Items.**

None.

**45/22 Public Speaking.**

- (a) Borough/County Councillor Report: Cllr Manning had emailed his report: Although a county initiative , worth reminding residents that the Household Hazardous Waste Days are 10 and 11 September 0900-1700 hours at King's Lynn Recycling Centre , an opportunity to safely dispose of unwanted potentially hazardous items. List of what is and isn't acceptable, see NCC website etc.

The QEH have unveiled their plans for a multi-storey car park ( subject to planning permission) . Apparently, they must show that car parking arrangements have been sourced for the loss of current spaces during the building of a new hospital in their bid to the Government .

The borough have announced a new Pilgrim Trail around Lynn, visiting many important sites , including Red Mount ( in the Walks) the Greyfriars Tower and other remnants of monastic buildings. the halls of Lynn's guilds and the museum. Also I personally recommend a visit to All Saints church In Lynn and Our Lady's in London Rd Lynn. The National Highways project manager has sent me an email for a safety improvement scheme on the A47 between King's Lynn and Penney , following a site meeting with Norfolk Police. It covers a length of approximately 13km in length ( why do they use km when they use mph for speed limits ? ). I've forwarded that email to East Winch and Gayton PCs for information as it gives many proposals, including extra road markings, high friction surfaces and change of speed limits etc. Any comments re the A47 work should be submitted via email by Tuesday 20 September to [angelos.panos@mottmac.com](mailto:angelos.panos@mottmac.com)

Finally mention of the community led initiative to help boost local renewable energy generation, cut carbon emissions and save on energy bills. Residents are coming together to invest in renewables through a group-buying scheme for solar panels and battery storage. Known as - Solar through Norfolk. This builds on 4 years of a successful Solar Together programme run across the UK. It's free to register and NO OBLIGATION to go ahead . The borough is working in partnership with other Norfolk district councils and independent experts. Those folk interested please register before deadline of 27 September. Letters to all households are being sent from 5 September. Basically as I understand it, on 27 September, approved suppliers of such panels will hold an auction and they can offer competitive pricing as volume and geographic concentration is known. After the auction , registered households will be emailed a recommendation , which if they accept , the specifics of installation will be confirmed with a survey and then a date given for installation of the solar panels.

- (b) Member of the Public: Mary Roper advised that the Dessert Event at Pott Row Village Hall run by the W.I. was successful and raised funds for a Defibrillator. She asked if a meeting is postponed at short notice if a message can be out on the village facebook page.

**46/22 Matters arising.**

None.

**47/22 Correspondence received (for info only).**

There was a further email from a parishioner regarding trees on the Common adjacent to their properties. Further to request at the last meeting Sue Kelley-Holmes has provided a quote for works to the trees adjacent to her property.

Various – via email.

**48/22 Highways- note any issues and matters to be reported to highways.**

Clerk to chase Stoney Road to Church Lane request. The sleepers have now been removed from Stoney Road. The 30mph signs need the vegetation cutting back, Lynn Road from the A148 and Station Road and Church Lane from the A148. On Lynn Road coming from King's Lynn the crossroads signs need cutting back. S Pimlott will meet with Damien from NCC Highways to agree the Village Gateway locations.

**49/22 Bus Shelter**

S Pimlott and N Fletcher will have a look and send some photos. Will then need to get some quotes. Clerk knows some people near Downham Market who would do this but it was thought that there should be someone in the villages, Councillors to make enquiries.

**50/22 Hudson Fen Leisure**

A planning application has been submitted to renew the temporary consent for the portacabin and temporary café/bar used for the village events. The car boot sales have been successful in raising funds. They are looking at grants and getting some quotes for new equipment and safety matting.

**51/22 Neighbourhood Plan**

N Fletcher had previously emailed his report: We are now within the public consultation period of the Draft Pre-Submission document (regulation 14)

The consultation period is between 15<sup>th</sup> August 2022 and 7<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Responses are being received from statutory and non-statutory consultees as well as members of the public. All responses are being collated and will be discussed by members of the NHP working group in conjunction with our consultants.

**52/22 Roydon Common**

At the previous meeting it was agreed that parishioners could potentially undertake works to trees at their own expense if they provided a written report for consideration by the Parish Council. Request received from 180 Lynn Road with a report from a Borough Council recommended tree surgeon for works to a silver birch and a sycamore. The tree surgeon has advised that the works would not cause long term damage to the trees. It was agreed that the works could be done but will ask for confirmation of the location of the trees. 2 Station Road have also asked for works to be done to trees adjacent to their fence, but these may be the ones that 180 Lynn are intending to do work to. Their fence is actually on the Common and they pay rent to the Parish Council for the use of the land so it is suggested that they could move their fence. S Pimlott and C Nichols will have a look at the trees on the Common and identify any that need work.

**53/22 Village Litter Pick**

Joint village litter pick planned with Grimston Parish Council for 1<sup>st</sup> October at 10am.

**54/22 C.I.L – Potential Applications**

Bus shelter suggested. Clerk will email around info of the last successful applications.

**55/22 Grimston Cricket Club**

On proposal from C Nichols and seconded by M Rae, all agreed to donate £500 towards their new shed.

**56/22 Finance**

- (a) Cheques: Internal Audit - £70.00, NCC Village Gateways - £1069.00, Grimston Cricket Club - £500.00.
- (b) Discussed and agreed to continue as we are and not to opt out of the SAAA central external auditor appointment arrangements.
- (c) Annual Return for 2021/22.
  - i) Annual Governance Statement agreed and signed
  - ii) Annual Return Accounting Statements agreed and signed.

**57/22 Planning**

Planning application reference 22/01348/F for Single storey front and rear extensions at Fox Cottage 22 Stoney Road Roydon, The Parish Council have no objections to this proposal but would be concerned, given the narrow road, about contractors parking off-site or skips/building materials being stored in front of the bungalow on the verge/road. We request that the Borough Council consider a condition to require that materials/equipment and contractor parking is all contained within the site and not allowed to block or reduce the access width of the road.

Planning application reference 22/01372/F for Demolition of single storey conservatory and construction of two storey extension and single storey porch at 17 Low Road Roydon, The Parish Council have no objections to the principle of this development, however, would ask the Borough Council to consider a condition to require all contractor vehicles, and building related materials/equipment, to be located within the site, with any overspill on the verge directly in front of the site, and not opposite on the green.

**58/22 To receive Councillors Concerns and items for next meeting agenda.** Crossroads, fish and chip vans etc.

**59/22 The next meeting is the Parish Council Meeting on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 at 7pm.**

Meeting closed 8.19pm

Chairman ..... Date .....