

Burgh Castle Parish Council

Chairman: Trevor Greenacre Vice Chairman: Bob Grimmer

Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 9th July 2018 at Burgh Castle Village Hall

Present: Cllrs T. Greenacre (Chair), B. Grimmer, W. Griffiths, J. Hogg, B. Swan, P. Carter, P. Nichols, K. Palmer (Clerk), and 15 members of the public including Borough Cllr Lawn.

The public section commenced at 7.30pm

PUBLIC SECTION

-It was reported the hedgerows along Lords Lane from Burgh Hall are in need of being cut back.

With no further business the main meeting commenced at 7.32pm

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Borough Cllr Drewitt and County Cllr Smith.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Minutes from the meeting held on 11/06/18 had been prior circulated to all members by the Clerk. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record Proposed Cllr Grimmer, Seconded Cllr Hogg. All In Favour.

4. MATTERS ARISING

-The next Lothingland CLT meeting will be held at Burgh Castle Village Hall on Wednesday 25th July, at 7pm.

5. BURIAL GROUND – DECORATED GRAVES

Cllr Swan reported following the recent site meeting at the Burial Ground there are a great number of unauthorised vases and toys that require action. It was suggested that a letter is drafted and sent to next of kin at the last known address, the letter will be approved by Rose Bunn.

Since the site visit all the dangerous headstones have been repaired free of charge by Jarys. They have also resited the main name block with no cost to the Parish Council. Jarys have quoted £150 to supply 31 marker blocks.

It was agreed by all members to purchase the 31 marker bricks from Jarys and to arrange for the letters to be sent regarding the unauthorised vases/toys, Proposed Cllr Griffiths, Seconded Cllr Grimmer. All In Favour.

6. PLANNING

06/18/0335/O Mill Rd (land off) 4 starter homes with garages, access via private courtyard

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.42pm to hear comments from members of the public concerning the above application. Generally there was no objection in developing the land in question but this application (proposing four starter homes) was felt to be too large, over development of a small site. There were also strong concerns over the safety to access the proposed houses, Mill Road being very dangerous to walk along with no footpath.

Therefore it was agreed to object to the application due to the splay at entrance to the site being too small, major concern on safety due Mill Road a very busy road. Over development of a small site.

Also there is no footpath or street lighting and the current sewer service is inadequate. An exert from a previous planning enquiry was also highlighted which stated "NCC consider the site unacceptable for residential development, and that further residential development in Burgh Castle should not be supported due to Highway amenity issues (few footpaths, and highway safety at Mill Road/Butt Lane junction).

06/18/0247/F Cherry Tree Holiday Park Expansion to site 107 caravan bases

It was agreed to resubmit the previous comments sent concerning the application above. These being there are major concerns regarding the increased volume of traffic the development would generate. Not only with cars used by holidays makers accessing the site but also with the additional transportation of the caravans and works lorries. The roads in the village already struggle with the existing volume of traffic, and also vehicles that travel at speed.

Burgh Castle Parish Council would like to submit the following comments concerning the Norfolk County Council Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review (Initial Consultation)

View Map MIN 203- land north of Welcome Pit, Burgh Castle

The Parish Council object to the application above as it is felt the site is unsuitable for allocation because the Highway access is considered unsuitable, and due to properties either side of the road there is no opportunity for suitable improvements.

Applications Approved:

06/18/0230/F	35 Butt Lane	Single storey front extension
06/18/0114/F	Strawlands (land north of), Mill Rd	New residential dwelling

7. SPEED WATCH.

Cllr Griffiths reported the group are still out targeting problem areas in the village. However no reports have been received from PC Potter.

8. CHERRY TREE CORNER/MILL ROAD TREES

The Chairman reported County Cllr Smith is still pushing both issues with NCC Highways.

9. NORFOLK ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST

Cllr Swan reported following the recent site meeting the following issues were raised to Caroline Davison. The side gate at main fort entrance has gone missing. There are various fencing issues including at the look out point. Nettles need cutting back, some matting is starting to break up. The main information board is rotting. The main entrance bank/hedge heading towards Belton needs cutting back. At the car park, the five bar farm gate leading to a field are broken off and the gate is leaning. Danger tape was put on it during the meeting. It was agreed to send Caroline the minutes from the site meeting for her information.

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Cheque Number	Detail	Amount
101240	Kate Palmer salary (inc 5 hours GDPR) 444.32 less tax 88.80	£355.52
101241	HMRC Kate Palmer tax 88.80	£88.80
101242	Nina Dockerty wage	£ 82.22
101245	Sage Gardening inc extra £15 per month to tend to flowerbed	£409.75
101244	K. Palmer refund for postage stamps	£15.81
	Total	£952.10

To Propose the above sheet Cllr Swan, Seconded Cllr Grimmer. All In Favour.

11. STEPSHORT SIGN

The Clerk reported a new sign has now been put up.

12. PARISH LIAISON MEETING

There was no question to submit at the moment.

13. ROAD CLOSURES

It was reported Essex and Suffolk Water have announced there will be nine months of road closures at various locations on the Beccles Rd, Bradwell, from Sept 2018 to June 2019.

Phase 1: 17th Sept – 18 Nov 2018 – Beccles Rd closed from junction with Burnet Rd

Phase 2: 19th Nov - 14th Dec 2018 – Beccles Rd closed from the junction with Church Lane

Phase 3: 2nd Jan - 20th Jan 2019 – Beccles Rd closed from junction with Mill Lane & Crab Lane

Phase 4: 21st Jan - 14th Apr 2019 – Beccles Rd closed from junction with Crab Lane

Phase 5: 15th Apr - 16th June 2019 – Beccles rd closed to junction with Mallards Way

It was also agreed for the Clerk to notify Paul Sellick NCC that the Church open weeks will be held during the last week in July and first week in August, therefore the Parish Partnership Scheme will need to be completed before then as the traffic will be heavy.

13. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA, PLUS TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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| -Speed Watch | -Cherry Tree Corner/ Mill Rd Trees | -Burial Ground |
| -Church Triangle | -Village Sign/Planter | |
| -Burial Ground | -2019 Parish Partnership | |

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on 10th September 2018.

With no further business the meeting finished at 8.17pm