

Minutes of the Meeting of Mundford Parish Council

Thursday 4th June, 2009.

Present:

Cllr. Eyles, Chairman, Cllr Fox, Vice-Chairman, Cllrs Eyres, Shepherd, Marston, Miles, Weight, a Community Police Officer and 3 Members of the public.

1. **The Chairman's Opening Remarks**

The Chairman welcomed those present and declared the meeting open. He welcomed Councillor Goad to the meeting and officially co-opted him onto the Council. He also welcomed the new Chairman of Northwold Parish Council who was observing the meeting.

2. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Goodrham, County Cllr Monson and District Cllr Steward.

3. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Thursday, 7th May, 2009.**

The minutes were agreed and signed.

4. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

5. **Meeting suspended for Public participation**

There was still concern over dog fouling the footpaths and it was agreed that further bins be purchased which will be placed by Cllrs Eyres and Eyles. The directional signs on the roundabout are still causing trouble and the clerk is to report them again. The Dog Warden is to place dog fouling signs around the village and a notice about dog fouling penalties has been forwarded to the clerk from him for inclusion in the next issue of the Connect magazine.

6. **Matters Arising**

• **Outstanding Highway Matters**

The tree in Crown Road is to be removed by Highways and is on their list of work to be completed.

• **Pigstye Lane Dyke**

The drains in St Leonard's Street are on the Highway's Area Manager's list for attention and it is hoped this will solve the problems of flooding in St Leonard's Street.

• **Benches and Planters for the village**

Cllr Eyres suggested that the planting be delayed until the Autumn but it was decided to go ahead with the placement and the planting. Cllr Eyres is to suggest where to place them. Villagers are to be approached to care for them. Cllr Goad suggested that a part-time person be employed to care for them and to carry out any other small gardening work.

• **Parish office**

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The clerk is to arrange a meeting to carry out the Risk Assessment and Health and Safety check and to review the back windows of the office.

- **Pride in Breckland Bid**

Cllr Eyles read out the bid he had prepared. Cllr Shepherd proposed the bid and Cllr Goad seconded it. The clerk is forward the bid to Breckland Council.

- **Lynford Road**

The clerk is to report the drains again and to ask again for the footpath and overhanging trees to be attended to on a regular basis. There has been no information about the SSI site.

- **Parking in the village**

There is still concern about parking within the village. Cllr Eyles had spoken with Mr Walker about parking in the centre of the village around the Crown Pub. Cllr Weight stated that there was a car for sale on a grass verge but Cllr Eyles informed him that BDC were not concerned about one car. The clerk is to place an article about parking in the newsletter.

- **Footpaths and Hedges adjoining footpaths**

There is still concern about the number of hedges encroaching on to the pathway. Cllr Goad is to visit the occupants of Holly Cottage to ask for their co-operation. The clerk is to place an article in the newsletter.

- **Grants and Donations**

Cllr Fox proposed and Cllr Shepherd seconded a donation of £250 to the Mother and Toddler Group.

The clerk is to write again to the Scouts to ask for further information before a decision is made about their request for funding.

The clerk is to write to MRG&VHT for further information about the hall floor before a decision is made about their funding request.

7. Correspondence

The Community Police are to forward to the clerk information to be included in the next newsletter about Doorstep Crime. The clerk is also to forward information from the Community Police about pamphlets aimed at giving parents information about drugs.

The Community Police also informed the meeting about their co-operation with Breckland Council's initiative about cold calling which is being rolled out street by street.

8. Finance

- The following payments were authorised by the Parish Council and cheques signed by Cllrs Eyles and Eyres.

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Cheque	Description	Total
101006	Community Car Scheme	£ 250.00
101007	S.L.Symonds Litter Warde	£ 65.00
101008	J Illsley Clerk's salary and travel exp	£ 480.63
101009	Eon Energy PO Acc	£ 229.75
101010	M. Eyles planting	£ 38.00
101011	S Eyres Grass cutting	£ 75.00
101012	F Brown Internal Audit	£ 55.58
101013	Mrg&VHT running costs	£2500.00
101014	Mundford PCC Churchyard Main	£1500.00
101015	Mundford Primary School	£1500.00
101016	CAB Thetford	£ 200.00
101017	CAB Brandon	£ 200.00
101018	SN Victim Support	£ 100.00
101019	Norfolk Accident Rescue	£ 150.00
101020	Macmillan Cancer Relief	£ 250.00
101021	EACH	£ 250.00
101022	MHB Services Streetlight Main	£ 142.90
101023	Norfolk Air Ambulance	£ 250.00

Cllr Weight suggested that a further signatory be sought for the accounts to increase the number to 4. The clerk is to apply for a mandate. Cllr Fox was nominated as the signatory.

9. Planning Applications

No further information about 3PL/2009/0133/O 11 Swaffham Road. Erection of two dwellings.

10. New Highway Matters

The clerk is to report a damaged manhole, opposite 15 Impson Way

Concern was expressed over parking on the footpath outside 34 Impson Way.

11. Street Lighting

No problems this month

- **MRG&VHT.**

Minutes received and to be circulated

- **STANTA**

Nothing received

- **School Governors**

The clerk is to contact the Chair of Governors to ask if the Council could have news of the school from time to time.

District Councillor

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Nothing received

County Councillor

Nothing received

• **Members' Matters**

Cllr Weight was concerned about gravel on the path outside 1 Impson Way. The clerk is to write and ask them to ensure that it is cleared to prevent an accident.

Cllr Eyres suggested that a litter bin be purchased for outside the bowls club. The clerk is to order one.

Cllr Eyles is to thank all litter pickers and the residents who care for the floral displays.

Sam, the Litter Warden is to finish working for the Council at the end of June. She suggested that Mrs Hubble would be a suitable replacement. Cllr Fox proposed we accept the suggestion and Cllr Marston seconded it. Cllr Eyles is to contact her. It was agreed that she work with Sam for the last week of June and take over in July.

The Meeting was informed that the village was now on Streetscene.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.37pm

Chairman: _____ Date: _____

Clerk: _____ Date: _____