

GAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT GAYTON JUBILEE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 10th October 2016

Present: Mr B Anota, Mr P Grant, Mr S Verber, Mr P Gidney, Mr J Currey, Lady Romney, Mr P Savage.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Mr King, Mr Beales, Mr Taylor and Mr Dewing. Cnty. Cllr. Toby Coke did not attend the meeting.

2. Declaration of Interest – The Councillors will declare any personal or prejudicial interest in any item on the agenda.

Mr Anota declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 10 on the agenda given his position on the Committee reviewing the Tax Support Scheme at the Borough Council.

3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 12th September 2016 for approval.

Mr Currey proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record of the previous meeting and Mr Grant seconded this. All agreed.

4. Report from County Councillor and Borough Councillor.

There were no reports.

5. 10 Minutes Open Forum for Parishioners.

A parishioner asked when a PCSO would next attend a Parish Council meeting as it had been sometime since this had happened. The Council will make enquiries.

Concern was raised over potentially wasting tax payers' money on unnecessary surveys in relation to asbestos at the old Mill site on the basis that the site has not changed for years. It was noted that legislation has changed meaning that certain surveys are now necessary. It was also noted that the recent survey at the site is a Borough Council initiative.

It was noted that the hedge row on either side of the footpath near Springvale is very overgrown. Ownership and therefore responsibility is currently unknown.

6. New Play equipment for toddlers – the Playing Field Working Party will confirm any progress made.

Mr Currey reported that he, Mr Dewing and Mr Grant had agreed to form a working party to progress with the consultation necessary to eventually apply for a grant for new play equipment. It was agreed to approach WREN initially for some advice on how best to undertake the consultation.

7. Request to hire VAS sign – the Council will consider a request from West Acre Parish Council to hire the Council's VAS signs at periods during the year.

The Council noted a request from West Acre Parish Council to hire Gayton Parish Council's VAS sign for one or two months of the year as it does not have the funds to purchase a sign for its Parish. Following some debate in which a potential hire charge and insurance issues were discussed, Mr Grant proposed that the request be denied on the basis that the speeding issues in Gayton are such that the VAS sign is needed in the Parish all year round. Mr Savage seconded this. There were five votes in favour and two against and the motion was passed.

8. Streetlighting – the Council will consider a report of defects found during an annual inspection and the cost of repairing them.

The Council considered the report provided by the streetlight maintenance company. After reviewing the recommendations for works required the Council agreed to ask for clarification on some of the repairs suggested. In addition, a separate charge per lamp column which requires foliage to be cut back had been included within the costs and the Council agreed to ask whether a lower charge would apply if all foliage was cut back at the same time.

9. Police Speed Checks – the Council will consider the best locations and times for these checks to take place in the Parish.

The Clerk noted that Hunstanton Constabulary had been in touch to confirm that speed checks would be undertaken in Gayton, although no dates for when this would happen could be confirmed. The Council agreed that the following locations and times would be the most appropriate for speed checks to take place and these would be given to the Constabulary:

Layby on Grimston Road between 6am and 8am and 3pm and 6pm.

Winch Road, junction with Back Street between 6am and 8am and 3pm and 6pm.

Winch Road, junction with Lynn Road between 6am and 8am and 3pm and 6pm.

10. Council Tax Support Scheme – the Council will consider its response to this consultation.

The Council assessed the questions asked in this consultation and agreed that it would not be appropriate to complete it as a Council and that it should be completed by Councillors and parishioners individually.

11. Planning

a) Applications to consider

Gayton: Gayton CE VC Primary School, Lynn Road, Gayton, Kings Lynn PE32 1PA: Retrospective application for the temporary retention of the existing 3-bay and 7-bay modular accommodation and associated works for a further period of four years. The accommodation currently provides two class bases, a ‘hall-type’ space, stores, entrance lobbies, cloaks and toilets.

Whilst the Council is disappointed that modular classrooms are still being used by the School, it was acknowledged that the plans for a new School have been delayed due to objections to the proposed site and flood and drainage issues. Therefore, the Council agreed it had no objections to this application as the current School site and classrooms would continue to be used for the foreseeable future.

b) Decisions received from BCKLWN / NCC

None

c) Any applications received after 5th October 2016

Erection of a detached chalet bungalow and vehicular access from Jubilee Hall Lane at Jubilee Farm Jubilee Hall Lane Gayton

The Council agreed that it had no objection to the application if it is within the development boundary in Gayton but would object if it falls outside of the development boundary.

12. Gayton Playing Fields – the Council will discuss any playing field issues and consider its response to the new Public Spaces Protection Order (Control of Dogs) implemented by the Borough Council.

There were no issues to report. The Council noted the Borough Council's change in policy. It was noted that the Parish Council could make its own Dog Control Order, however, the process to do so is onerous and time consuming and that the enforcement of the order would fall to the Parish Council, which is unrealistic.

13. Jubilee Benches – the Council will consider a quotation to paint the Jubilee benches from Nigel Drew.

The Clerk confirmed that Nigel Drew had provided a quotation of £120 to paint both Jubilee benches. Lady Romney proposed that the Council accept this quotation and Mr Savage seconded this. All agreed.

14. Highways – the Council will discuss any Highway issues and consider any Speedwatch issue.

It was noted that the gully grid in Vicarage Lane has now been replaced and that an inspection cover in Winch Road has also been repaired.

Mr Grant reported that there have been complaints that the hedges along Grimston Road are obstructing the VAS sign and need cutting back. It was agreed to raise this with Gayton Estate.

Mr Grant reported that a meeting held by the Speedwatch Team was not well attended. The Group had agreed to send letters to everyone who had previously expressed an interest in joining the speedwatch team. If there is still a limited response, the group may have to fold.

15. Correspondence received since last meeting (see attached schedule)

There were no items of correspondence to consider.

16. Finance – the current financial standing of the Parish Council will be reported and the following payments will be presented for payment: -

Mrs K Senter	1 month's clerks salary & expenses - August	BACS	£	450.32
HMRC	PAYE	101569	£	9.40
SmartWheelie	30mph wheelie bin stickers	101570	£	70.00
CGM Group	Playing field maintenance	101571	£	47.65
KJN Landscapes	Litter picking and bus shelter cleaning	101572	£	630.00
TT Jones Electrical	Street light maintenance	101573	£	44.09
Gayton Jubilee Hall	Hall hire	101574	£	21.00
		TOTAL	£	1190.82

Mr Gidney proposed that the Council make the payments listed above and Mr Savage seconded this. All agreed.

17. Items for Report or Future Agenda.

The Clerk confirmed that she and Mr Currey had met to review the Council's current Employment documents and had started to consider any changes or updates that are required.

Mr Verber requested that Super-Fast Broadband is discussed at the next meeting and Mr Gidney requested that Neighbourhood Plans also be discussed.

18. Date of next meeting is planned to be 14th November 2016.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.29pm

Signed by Chairman..... 14th November 2016