

# BARSHAM AND SHIPMEADOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held in Barsham and Shipmeadow Village Hall on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016

**Present:** Mr N Smith Chairman, Mrs P Harris Vice Chair, Mr J Bumpus, Mr P Holmes, Mrs J Howell, Mrs P Midwinter, Mr M Smith

**Apologies:** Waveney District Councillor Mr K Springall

**Declarations of Interest:** None

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015 were agreed and signed as a correct record

## **Matters Arising:**

01-0116 **Clearing Barsham Village Sign Area** – This has been completed. The sign will be repainted in the summer.

02-0116 **Bus Service 80 Route Change** - Update email received. MP Peter Aldous had a meeting with Gavin Hunter Managing Director of Anglian Buses to discuss route changes. Anglian Buses recognise that they have problems with their services and have recruited a new member of staff, Peter Lee to help sort it out. Mr Lee apparently intends to visit the PC to talk through the specific concerns to see if they can come up with solutions. Clerk to contact Mr Lee.

03-0116 **B1062 Problems of Flooding, Overgrowing Vegetation, Replacement of Grit Heap and Alignment of Clarkes Lane Sign** – Email from Suffolk Highways received. **Flooding**, drains will be cleansed. **Overgrown Footpath**, it was agreed the footpath would be cut 4 times a year and an annual trim back of overgrowth. Waveney Norse will be reminded of that commitment. **Grit Heap**, will be replaced. **Clarkes Lane Sign**, the contractor who was undertaking work for the utility will be asked to return to correct the sign.

04-0116 **Mud on B1062 Barsham** – Email from Suffolk Highways received. It is for the persons responsible for depositing the mud to remove it and to provide warning signs while the operation is under way. If Highways become aware of the problem again they can sign the hazard and contact the landowner.

05-0116 **Village Hall Entrance off the B1062** – The Chairman has not yet spoken to the Village Hall Committee to get their views.

06-0116 **Police Report** – None Received.

The PC is aware of a fatal accident which occurred on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016 just after 7am on the B1062 between Low Road, Shipmeadow and Tallents Loke, Mettingham. Cause of the accident has not been reported.

**Public Contribution** – None

07-0116 **Planning Matters:**

Planning Application DC/15/4457/FUL & DC/15/4458/LBC Listed Building Consent

Restoration and reordering works to house, landscaping including new front gates, replacement of existing tractor and boat shed, replacement and relocation of existing summerhouse and construction of a new harbour.

The Old Rectory, Bungay Road, Barsham.

PC Comments: No Objections

This decision was made by Councillors via emails in December 2015.

Planning Permission Granted DC/15/4457/FUL & DC/15/4458/LBC Listed Building Consent

As above, The Old Rectory, Bungay Road, Barsham.

**Financial Matters:**

08-0116 **Financial Report to 13<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

Bt/Fwd        £5040.71

Receipts        None

Payments        59.50 (Poppy Wreaths 34.00, Woodstain 7.94, Stationery and Postage 17.56)

Total Balance C/Fwd £4981.21 Statements 287 and 288 refer

09-0116 **Payments to be Approved** – Barsham and Shipmeadow Village Hall hire charge for meetings in 2015 £96.00. Mrs P Harris proposed and Mr J Bumpus seconded the payment. All agreed.

10-0116 **External Audit for Smaller Authorities with Annual Turnover of below £25,000** – The Chairman went through SALC correspondence previously fwd to all Councillors. The PC will be opted-into the new arrangements unless it opts out by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016. The cost of income and expenditure band for £25,001-£50,000 is £200. The legislation regarding authorities with annual turnover of below £25,000 is not made clear. A further communication is expected when this situation is legally clarified. After discussion it was agreed to wait until further details are available.

11-0116 **Correspondence Received:**

**Age Concern** – Secret Gardens of Suffolk 2016 & Will Month February 2016 posters for notice boards

**Bungay Black Dog Running Club**- Details of 34<sup>th</sup> Bungay Marathon and ½ Marathon 17<sup>th</sup> April 2016

**South Norfolk Council** – Consultation of Local Plan

**SALC** – Area Meeting Dates for 2016

**11-0116 Correspondence Received Cont:**

**WDC** – Notification of closure of the customer service function at both Bungay and Halesworth area offices by the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016

**Waveney Garden Waste Collection Service** – On line payment system is now operational to register and sign up for collections from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

**Any Other Business:**

**12-0116 PCSO Match Funded letter to Parish Councils dated 21<sup>st</sup> December 2015** – Received from Suffolk Constabulary, Tim Passmore and Gareth Wilson offering an opportunity to Parish Councils to fully fund or part fund with other Parish Councils 6 PCSO's for the 2016/17 year.

At their November meeting the Councillors agreed to reduce the precept for 2016/2017, the precept request was returned to WDC in November 2015. After discussion all the attending Councillors agreed the PC is not in a financial position to fund or part fund a PCSO.

**13-0116 Shaping the Development of the Railway, East Coast Line Group** – Next meeting 14th January 2016. Mrs P Midwinter agreed to attend and represent the PC.

**14-0116 The Gull By-Way, Shipmeadow** – Complaints received regarding the devastation and damage caused by 4 x 4's along almost the whole stretch of the By-way. The area has been made impossible for walkers and horse riders to use. Clerk to contact Highways.

Next scheduled meeting Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed:

Dated: