

BARSHAM AND SHIPMEADOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held in Barsham and Shipmeadow Village Hall on 9th November 2016

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

Apologies: Waveney District Councillor Mr K Springall

Declarations of Interest: Mr N Smith and Mrs P Midwinter - Members of Barsham and Shipmeadow Village Hall Committee, Planning Application DC/16/4237/FUL

Minutes of the meeting held on 12th October 2016 were agreed and signed as a correct record

Matter Arising:

123-1116 **Beccles and Parishes Neighbourhood Plan/Barsham and Shipmeadow PC decision to withdraw** - Response received from the Chair of the Operational Group, who feels that this is probably the best action considering the advice they have received from WDC.

124-1116 **Statutory Consultation for proposed 50mph speed limit B1062 between Bungay and Beccles** – Bungay Town Council has opposed the move. BTC decided that they did not support this proposal. They considered it was unnecessary, would not be effective, was unlikely to be adequately enforced and given these factors would be a waste of public money. This decision has caused complaints. Our Councillors hope to attend the next BTC meeting when apparently the subject will be on the Agenda to re-consider the decision.

125-1116 **Replacement third Signatory for Bank Account cheques** – in progress

126-1116 **Proposed Merger of WDC and Suffolk Coastal** – Councillors discussed and agreed most of the bulk savings have already been made. The merger itself would cost a considerable sum, would make an area that is too big and a central hub that is too far away. Response to be sent to Mr K Springall who will vote to represent local feelings.

127-1116 Planning Matters:

At this point Mr N Smith and Mrs P Midwinter left the meeting
DC/16/4237/FUL – To demolish existing side lean-to entrance lobby and rebuild larger lean-to entrance lobby with new toilet facilities.

Barsham and Shipmeadow Village Hall, Bungay Road, Barsham.

PC Recommendation: No Objections

At this point Mr N Smith and Mrs P Midwinter returned to the meeting
DC/16/4317/TEL – Proposed Removal of Payphone. O/S Old School House, Bungay Road, Barsham.
PC Recommendation: Object to loss of phone service and the removal of the phone box. It is an important landmark which the Parishioners do not wish to lose.

If the service and phone box cannot be retained the PC would seek to apply to “Adopt a Kiosk”.

Financial Matters:**128-1116 Financial Report to 13th October 2016**

Balance Bt/Fwd	4957.65
Receipts	625.00 2nd precept 2016/17
Payments	449.08 N Buchanan, Barsham sign
Balance C/Fwd	5133.57 statement 298 refers

129-1116 Payments to be approved:

Clerk Reimbursement - Postage and Stationery £38.41, Two Poppy Wreaths £37.00,

Community Action Suffolk One Suffolk Web Hosting for 1 year £60.00

Mr J Bumpus proposed and Mr P Holmes seconded the proposal for the three payments to be approved, all agreed.

130-1116 Parish Precept 2017/2018 – The clerk presented the estimated budget and went through the costing. After discussion, Mrs P Midwinter proposed and Mr M Smith seconded the proposal for the 2017/2018 precept to remain the same as the previous year £1250.00, all agreed.

131-1116 Correspondence received:

Broads Authority – Revised draft Broads Plan 2017 – Public Consultation

One Suffolk – Welcome from CAS

SALC Admin –1. Local Government Finance Settlement Consultation. 2. Precept Consultation.

3. Have you say on new Highways Maintenance Operational Plan. 4. Telephone Scan

Suffolk Preservation Society – Suffolk View Autumn 2016

WDC –1. K Springall , Funding Opportunities. 2. Invitation to Annual Town and Parish Council Budget Liaison Event. 3. Invitation to Christmas Carol Service.

Any Other Business:

132-1116 Police Crime Commission Meeting – Mr P Holmes attended. The meeting covered many topics which included budget costs and trying for a better share of the budget, pensions, precept increase next year, Suffolk Magistrates Court, online scams which are difficult to police, 101 service, web site problems and applying for shot gun licences on line.

Next scheduled meeting Wednesday 14th December 2016.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed:

Dated: