

KETTLESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

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Present: D Burgis, S Hipkin, M Hoad, R Kilbourn, T Rivett, P Whitehead (Vice-Chairman), and S Aquarone (County Councillor) and five members of the public.

Meeting of the Parish Council on

Monday 19 March 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

MINUTES

Welcome

- 1) **Apologies** from G Ashby (Chairman) and PC Dawson (SNT Fakenham) were accepted.
- 2) **Declarations of pecuniary interest** by the Councillors in any of the agenda items listed below. None.
- 3) **Minutes of the previous Meetings** (15 January) to be approved and signed as a true record.
- 4) **Matters arising:** Progress on items from previous meetings for information or reminders only. Items not on this agenda requiring decisions will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.
- 5) **The meeting was temporarily closed for Parishioners to express any concerns they may have and for District and County Councillors to report.**

Queries from members of the public

- It was clarified that the road between Kettlestone and Fulmodeston would be closed to through traffic for just under a year. The actual closure would be rolling as the sewage pipes were laid so that access to properties along the road would be via one or other end of the road.
- It was explained that pre-planning advice for the site at Holbrigg Lane old pub buildings and field) had been uploaded to the District Council planning website. At present there was no planning application. However the Parish Council would be consulted as for all planning applications and at that point those on the email list would be informed and if necessary a Parish Council meeting would be arranged to consider the proposals.
- It was reported that dog fouling is getting worse on Holbrigg Lane and around the village. A member of the public was invited to write an article for the newsletter.

Report from NCClr S Aquarone

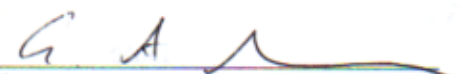
County Council Budget: Good news for Melton Constable division, as planned cuts of £500,000 to bus subsidies and £400,000 to road gritting were reversed by the County Council follow pressure from our group. The issue of mobile libraries has been kicked into the long grass: the cuts weren't planned until next financial year anyway, so we will continue to fight for this issue. It's particularly important, since these are some of the few services people in rural areas actually receive from the County Council.

County Councillor allowances: Before Christmas, whilst wielding an axe to public services, the County Council voted to increase Members' allowances. You couldn't make it up: politicians giving themselves a combined £142,000 a year extra, whilst planning on cutting more than twice that from each of the above services! Rather than refusing the increase, where I have no power to direct how it's spent instead, I will be using the additional money I will be receiving, after tax, to create a seed funding pot for community projects across the division. Anyone who lives or works in Melton Constable division can apply for funding, and I will consider all proposals. The total in the fund is published on my website, steff.mycouncillor.org.uk, and I will update it as it is issued.

In other news: My mobile phone project - has taken an interesting step forward. The County Council has commissioned surveying of signal on all networks across Norfolk but on main roads, B road and tourist hot spots only. For we rural folk, they have agreed to procure, in the tender that had gone out, that the winning provider supply kits to communities to help fill in the gaps. Our volunteers for the phone project are poised to receive next steps from this, which will feed into the Council's very similar plan to mine, to use its buildings to add small cell transmitters. For the gaps that still remain, we will recommend the variety of ideas that continue to come in for alternative small-cell sites.

The Vice-Chairman re-opened the meeting.

Signed


Chairman

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- 6) **Highways and footpaths**
- a) **Items to report**
- i) Pothole: junction A148 (opposite speed camera)
- 7) **Planning**
- a) **Planning applications received** since the previous meeting.
- i) PF/17/2170: erection of shed at **104 The Street**. Link circulated. Comment submitted on 31 January 2018: Kettlestone Parish Council has no objection to this application. However the Parish Council would like to stipulate that, if the application is passed then the following conditions regarding light pollution are enforced:
'Norfolk County Council recognises in its Environmental Lighting Zones policy the importance of preserving dark landscapes and dark skies. In order to minimise light pollution Kettlestone Parish Council recommends that any outdoor lights associated with this proposed development should be:
1. fully shielded (enclosed in full flat glass cut-off fitments)
 2. directed downwards (mounted horizontally to the ground and not tilted upwards)
 3. switched on only when needed (no dusk to dawn lamps)
 4. white light low-energy lamps (Philips Cosmopolis or fluorescent) and not orange or pink sodium sources'.
- b) **Decisions taken by the District Council** since the previous meeting.
- i) PF/17/1870: temporary siting of mobile home for use as a dwelling for the re-establishment of small holding (retrospective) at **Land adjacent to 7 The Street**. REFUSED.
(1) The clerk was asked to inform NNDC that the mobile home continued to be occupied.
- 8) **Financial business** to consider payment of invoices and other financial business.
- a) **Receipts** since previous statement: 57p interest
- b) **Regular payments** since previous statement: £35 to ICO (annual fee); salary and on-costs.
- c) **The balances** at 27 Feb were confirmed: Current Ac £2,595.65; Savings Acc £3,273.47.
- d) The following **payment** was approved:

to whom	cheque no	amount
J Otte (expenses)	100368	50.67

- 9) **New General Data Protection Regulations**
- a) The Parish Council was already registered with the ICO as a Data Controller.
- b) Draft spreadsheet for managing data (employees, councillors, volunteers, email database) prepared and circulated to Working Group.
- c) Privacy statement / letter to be drafted.
- d) Waiting for sector specific clarification for role of Data Protection Officer.
- 10) **Maintenance:** Replacement dog bin lid on order
- 11) **Parish Plan Actions:** none.
- 12) **Reports from Parish Councillors**
- a) It was noted that feedback had been sent to the County Council in respect of the traffic island at Pensthorpe: residents of the cottages found it easier to cross the road but were disappointed that the path had not been extended down to the properties. The speed of traffic continued to be a problem when crossing the road and while waiting at the bus stops (draught of large vehicles particularly strong as they have to pass closer to the pavement)
- b) Thanks to R Kilbourn for cutting back growth by signs 'Welcome to Pensthorpe' signs.
- 13) **Mail** circulated as usual
- 14) Other business for placing on the **agenda for the next Meeting**
- 15) To confirm date & time of **Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and Annual Parish Meeting** at 7.30pm on **Monday 21 May 2018**