

MINUTES REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL  
12 March 2014  
Held at Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Ann Preston, Mike Denmark, Ian Baird, Jan Cresswell, Bob Hayward, John Giddings, Jackie Moss  
County Councillor Jessica Fleming, District Councillor Sara Michell and three residents

1. Apologies: Jason Walker, Police Dave Faulkner
2. Chairman: John Giddings temporary chairman whilst Jason recovers
3. Declarations of interest- none.
4. Minutes of meeting of Wednesday 14 February 2014 – agreed a true record
5. Matters arising not covered by this agenda - none
6. Any changes in councillors: Possible new councillor – If not advertise again
7. *Open discussion with county and district councillors, and services*  
*Jessica advised that travel passes and voucher should be renewed by a 31 March deadline.*  
*Opening times for the Suffolk Record offices at Ipswich, Bury, and Lowestoft were being considered with a possibility of opening Saturday and closing Wednesday but keeping the same number of opening hours. The Government was likely to be making more grants available for solar, insulation and other energy efficient systems. Faster broadband continues to be a priority and the patchy mobile phone coverage is known as an issue.*  
*Sara advised that the Mid Suffolk part of council tax had increased by 1.72% to preserve essential Services. One person from Redgrave would be receiving a community award. A housing needs survey will be coming out later this month and anyone who receives one is requested to complete it as the results will be used to shape future policies on housing.*  
*Police reported by email that there had been no reported crimes in Redgrave over the past month,*
8. *Open discussion with residents - no comments*
9. Planning  
2354/13 Three holiday chalets adjacent Elm Cottage Fen St permission granted  
5904/14 New dwelling adjacent Newlands Hinderclay Rd – PC comments: Should have been given more detail. Concern that yet another 4 bedroom when we do not have enough 3 bed properties. Concern that 30mph should extend to encompass dwellings in this area.  
Nomination of asset of community value for village shop – had been withdrawn by the shop committee  
<http://planning.midsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/acolnetcgi.gov>
10. Finance and cheques for signature  
Pay Redgrave Amenities Trust £205 for hire for PC meetings 1/4/13 to 31/3/14  
Reimburse R Hayward for purchase of book on employment law £38.44  
Find and if necessary pay for a minute taker and magazine correspondent – still no news  
Agreed cheque to PCC for graveyard maintenance to be reissued with the new name of the PCC
11. Town pit status – nothing to report
12. Affordable housing  
Awaiting a response from Hastoe on future needs survey
13. Old School Playing Field  
John will be doing first grass cut soon
14. Duck Factory – The next meeting will be the last Friday in April. Jim will go but John will have to send his apologies.
15. Speed monitoring  
Two speed checks had been done this week. The portable sign which shows speed was back in operation and councillors felt that it seemed very effective. Jackie will keep up to date with purchase costs in case there are any grant possibilities
16. Any other correspondence or information  
Consider if a paid clerk is necessary and affordable – book on employment law received.  
Ann advised that the normal salary range for a clerk to our size of council would be SCP 18 to 21

or £9 to £10 per hour. It was agreed to defer further discussion until all councillors were present.

17. Ideas for improvements to village – picket fence progress – there had been changes at highways so they would have to be asked again for permission
18. Matters carried forward from this meeting – Paid clerk discussion and replace the litter bin on the knoll
19. New matters for next meeting
20. Next meeting 12 April 2014

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For Jason Walker Chairman