

REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES 4 April 2018
Held in the Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Angela Bigley, Mike Denmark, John Giddings, Bob Hayward, Richard Hilton, Ann Preston, Neil Smith, Jason Walker, Parish Clerk, County Cllr Jessica Fleming, District Cllr Derek Osborne and 8 members of the public.

1. Chairman's Opening: Mike welcomed everyone.
2. Apologies: Matthew Millard.
3. Declarations of interest: None.
4. Minutes of the meeting of 7 March 2018 were agreed as a true record.
5. Progress: None.
6. Public Forum: A member of the public urged the Parish Council to contribute towards the costs of the Community Bus run by Gordon Lawrence. It was explained that the Council had allocated funds towards the eventual replacement of the bus and it was understood that the takings from transport fees covered the cost of running the bus.
John Preston had resigned as Footpaths Officer after many years and the PC was very pleased to introduce Cllr Angela Bigley as the PC's new Footpaths Officer.
7. Planning:
 - 7.1 Applications:
 - 7.1.1 Park Lodge, Hall Lane. DC/18/01094. Householder Planning Application - Erection of single storey pitched roof garage/workshop and erection of estate railings to North East boundaries. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no objection.
 - 7.1.2 Maplefield, The Street. DC/18/00795. Householder Application - Erection of a two-storey rear extension. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no objection.
 - 7.2 Decisions:
 - 7.2.1 Land Adjacent to Charters Towers, The Street. DC/17/05663. Planning Application - Erection of 30 No. residential units. Planning Permission REFUSED.
 - 7.2.2 Land at Pound Farm, Gallows Hill. DC/18/00119. Outline Planning Application (with some matters reserved) - Erection of 1 No dwelling and creation of access. Planning Permission REFUSED.
8. Ongoing Items:
 - 8.1 Old School Playing Field: The PC was still waiting on a speed survey on Half Moon Lane for information on whether the private road to the playing field was sufficient for access should a planning application be submitted. However, the deadline to spend the grant for the work had run out and the remaining funds for the speed survey would need to be refunded. A new grant application would be submitted.
 - 8.2 Land Registry: The query from a resident to the Land Registry about the registration of the access to the Old School Playing Field had been referred to Spires Solicitors to review the registration documents. The PC RESOLVED, with all agreed, to spend up to £500 on the legal costs of confirming registration of the access.
 - 8.3 Redgrave Amenities Trust: The RAT had requested a £300 contribution towards the upkeep of the facilities at the Activities Centre. This had been paid annually for many years and it was agreed that the payment amount and purpose was due for a review. This would be looked at further at the meeting in May and the Clerk would request the information, including an accounts statement, from RAT.
 - 8.4 Neighbourhood Plan: The presentation by Mid Suffolk District Council in February had been well attended but there was no strong call that evening for doing a Neighbourhood Plan. It was noted that the PC could not make the decision to take it forward – it had to be a community undertaking. The community would need a group of around 10 people who were willing to stick with it for around 2½ years, supported by the PC. The Clerk would include an appeal in the parish magazine.
9. New Items: None.

10. Correspondence:

10.1 MSDC: The PC received the notification from MSDC of Intended Disposal of an Asset of Community Value for the Redgrave Community Shop. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to not issue an expression of interest in purchasing the shop premises.

10.2 Boundary Commission: The consultation on new electoral arrangements was noted.

11. Finance:

11.1 Account balance: £ 14,909.65

Income £ 0.00

11.2 Accounts for Payment:

Admin Payments £ 483.74 Not itemised due to new Data Protection Regulations

PW Electrical £ 868.20 Electrical Works at Cross Keys

Redgrave Parish Magazine £ 130.00 Advertisement Fees for 12 months

Groundwork £ 1,850.00 Reimbursement for unused grant

RESOLVED, with all agreed, to approve payment of the accounts detailed above.

12. Matters carried forward from this meeting or to be brought to the attention of the council: There had been an offer from a resident to organise a book swap / library in the phone box. The Clerk would request details on plans and costs.

13. New matters for next meeting: None.

14. Next meeting: 2 May 2018.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.06pm.