

REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES 9 November 2016
Held in the Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.50 pm

Present: Mike Denmark, John Giddings, Bob Hayward, Richard Hilton, Matthew Millard, Ann Preston, David Snashfold, Jason Walker, District Cllr Derek Osborne, Parish Clerk and 14 members of the public.

A public meeting had been held at 7pm to discuss the future of the Redgrave Shop.

1. Chairman's Opening: Mike welcomed everyone.
2. Apologies: Neil Smith.
3. Declarations of interest: None.
4. Minutes of the meeting of 12 October 2016 were agreed as a true record.
5. Progress reports not covered by this agenda: The Tree Warden had looked at the trees on the land adjacent to Green Farm Cottage and reported that there were no concerns about the planning application ref. 3845/16.
6. Public Forum: 7.55pm RESOLVED, with all agreed, to adjourn the meeting for the public forum. *A resident asked for more information about the heavy goods vehicle survey reported on at the September meeting and asked the PC to continue to support a weight restriction on the B1113. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact S. Lopham PC to possibly join forces. District Cllr Osborne reported that MSDC had appointed a new Chief Executive called Arthur Charvonia.* The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 8.04pm.
7. Planning:
 - 7.1 Applications:
 - 7.1.1 Land North of Elm Cottage. Ref. 4045/16. Use of land for siting of 2no. holiday cabins with provision of parking, treatment plant and solar panels. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no objection.
 - 7.1.2 Land at Moneypot Lane. Ref. 4265/16. Variation of condition 5 of planning permission 2354/13 for three holiday chalets to permit extended occupation of chalets. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no objection.
 - 7.2 Decisions: None.
8. Ongoing Items:
 - 8.1 Community Assets: It was noted that the former play area off Half Moon Lane was now fully registered with the Land Registry. The Parish Council formally agreed to pursue funding for the purchase of the existing Shop premises after receiving overwhelming support from residents at the public meeting earlier in the evening.
 - 8.2 Play Area: Cllr Millard reported that the existing safety surfacing measured 460m². The Clerk would get a quote for supply and installation of grass matting.
 - 8.3 Verges and Footpaths: The PC agreed to get quotes for an extra cut for Redgrave's footpaths, in addition to the single cut carried out by SCC on some of the paths. Where adjacent landowners already carried out extra cuts, the Clerk would try to confirm whether this would continue.
9. New Items:
 - 9.1 Phone Box Adoption: In October the PC had agreed to a proposal from BT to remove the phone equipment as it had not been used in the previous 12 months. It was now RESOLVED, with all agreed, to adopt the box for the sum of £1. If a use requiring electricity was confirmed, BT would meet those costs in future but the PC would be responsible for maintaining the box.
 - 9.2 123-reg Domain Name: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to renew "redgrave.org.uk" for two more years at a cost of £16.78.
10. Correspondence:
 - 10.1 Redgrave PCC: The request for funding for churchyard maintenance was noted.
 - 10.2 SCC: The Highways Matters newsletter was noted.
 - 10.3 Botesdale PC: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to pay £54.67 which was 1/3 of the cost of insurance for the War Memorial shared with Botesdale and Rickinghall.

11. Finance:

11.1 Budget Report and Account balance: £34,825.66

11.2 Accounts for Payment (Nov):

L Jackson-Eve	£ 352.46	Salary/Expenses Oct 2016
Community Action Suffolk	£ 60.00	One Suffolk Web Hosting – 1 year
Botesdale PC	£ 54.67	War Memorial Insurance
C Giddings	£ 16.78	Domain Name renewal – 2 years.

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

11.3 Accounts for Payment (Dec):

L Jackson-Eve	£ 298.37	Salary Nov 2016
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RESOLVED, with all agreed, to approve payment of the account detailed above.

11.4 Budget for 2017/18: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to set a BUDGET of £13,840 for the year 2017/18 and to retain funds of £27,000 earmarked for general reserves and village improvements, making a total fund of £40,840. Out of the new budget sum, £3,000 would be set aside for fees related to the Shop premises purchase. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to request a PRECEPT of £10,580 from the District Council. This was an overall 3.1% rise on the amount received in 2016/17.

12. Matters carried forward from this meeting or to be brought to the attention of the council: It was noted Wing Commander Chris Davis would represent Redgrave at the Remembrance Sunday event. The Clerk would report two items as damaged: the speed sign at the entrance of the village and the fingerpost at the junction of the B1113 and Fen Street. Jan Cresswell would arrange the Christmas tree on the Knoll.

13. New matters for next meeting: None.

14. Next meeting: 4 January 2017

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.39pm.