

REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES 1 February 2017
Held in the Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Mike Denmark, Bob Hayward, David Snashfold, Jason Walker, District Cllr Derek Osborne, Parish Clerk and 3 members of the public.

1. Chairman's Opening: Mike welcomed everyone.
2. Apologies: John Giddings, Richard Hilton, Matthew Millard, Ann Preston, Neil Smith.
3. Declarations of interest: None.
4. Minutes of the meeting of 4 January 2017 were agreed as a true record.
5. Progress reports not covered by this agenda: None.
6. Public Forum: 7.36pm RESOLVED, with all agreed, to adjourn the meeting for the public forum. *District Cllr Osborne reported that there would be an increase again this year to the charge for emptying dog and litter bins to bring it into line with Babergh District Council's charges. Mid Suffolk and Babergh DCs would move to the County Council's offices at Endeavour House, Ipswich, and an information point would open in Stowmarket. Gordon Lawrence, the co-ordinator of the local Community Bus service, attended to speak about the bus service advertised by BSEVC (see item 10.3), a registered charity based in Stowmarket which had a contract with Suffolk County Council to provide local transportation. There was some concern that local residents might see this as an alternative to the Community Bus. He gave an example to compare: a trip to West Suffolk Hospital would cost over £40 compared to £9 on the Community Bus. Councillors expressed their appreciation of the work Mr Lawrence and other volunteers did to keep to the local service going. The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 7.50pm.*
7. Planning:
 - 7.1 Applications:
 - 7.1.1 Priory Cottage, Half Moon Lane. Ref. 5064/16. Erection of single storey extension following demolition of existing extension. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no objection.
 - 7.1.2 Priory Cottage, Half Moon Lane. Ref. 0013/17. 1 x Silver Birch – fell, 2 x Sycamore – fell. There was no objection.
 - 7.1.3 The Old Forge, The Street. Ref. 0111/17. T1 Cedar. Raise canopy to 3m and reduce height by 3m given its close proximity to house. There was no objection.
 - 7.1.4 Malva House, Hall Lane. Ref. 0111/17. T1 Reduce by 50% (Goat Willow), T2 Reduce by 1/2 (High pollard) (Ash), T3 Reduce by 1/3 (High pollard) (Ash). There was no objection.
 - 7.2 Decisions:
 - 7.2.1 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. Permission GRANTED.
8. Ongoing Items:
 - 8.1 Community Assets: There was no update concerning the Shop. A copy of the full Land Enclosure Act 1818 for the allotments and town pit had been obtained and would be submitted as requested to the Land Registry.
 - 8.2 Play Area: There was no update.
 - 8.3 Verges and Footpaths: One quote had been received and it was agreed to wait for others.
 - 8.4 Phone Box Adoption: BT had confirmed receipt of the application but there was no update.
 - 8.5 The Knoll Oak: The Chairman would make arrangements to take down the dead limb.
9. New Items:
 - 9.1 Annual Parish Meeting: It was agreed to hold the APM at 7pm prior to the PC meeting on 5 April.
 - 9.2 Internal Audit Review: It was agreed to ask Cllr Preston to carry out the review.
10. Correspondence:
 - 10.1 Redgrave Amenities Trust: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to make a grant of £300 to RAT for recreational activities.
 - 10.2 Botesdale Methodist Church: The PC noted the request for grant towards cost of new chairs, carpet, heating but there were no further grant funds available in the current year.

- 10.3 BSEVC: It was noted that the BSEVC was a minibus service that could be used by community groups, charities, community interest companies or education establishments and might be suitable for larger groups as it was a 15-seater. It was not available to private users.
- 10.4 MSDC: The Town and Parish Council Newsletter was noted.
- 10.5 MSDC: The District Council's change of governance to the Leader and Cabinet system was noted. This would bring it into line with the County Council.

11. Finance:

11.1 Account balance: £32,753.22

11.2 Accounts for Payment:

L Jackson-Eve	£ 256.77	Salary Jan 2017
	£ 40.74	Expenses Jan 2017
Redgrave Activities Centre	£ 210.00	Hall hire for 2016-17

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

11.3 Grants for Payment (agreed on 9 Nov 2016, minute 11.4):

RBR PCC	£ 300.00	s214(6) LGA 1972
Suffolk Accident Rescue Service	£ 100.00	s137 LGA 1972
East Anglia Air Ambulance	£ 100.00	s137 LGA 1972
Rural Coffee Caravan Info Project	£ 50.00	s137 LGA 1972
Neighbourhood Watch	£ 50.00	s137 LGA 1972
Citizens Advice Bureau	£ 50.00	s142 LGA 1972
Avenues East (formerly Optua)	£ 50.00	s137 LGA 1972
Headway Suffolk	£ 50.00	s137 LGA 1972
Victim Support	£ 50.00	s137 LGA 1972

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: It was agreed to ask Cllr Giddings to contact Gressingham Foods about excessive light pollution from the plant.
13. New matters for next meeting: None.
14. Next meeting: 1 March 2017

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.12pm.