

REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES 4 July 2018

Held in the Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Angela Bigley, Mike Denmark, John Giddings, Bob Hayward, Ann Preston, Jason Walker, Parish Clerk and 12 members of the public.

1. Chairman's Opening: Mike welcomed everyone.
2. Apologies: Richard Hilton and Neil Smith.
3. Declarations of interest: None.
4. Minutes of the meeting of 6 June 2018 and 20 June 2018 were agreed as a true record.
5. Progress reports not covered on the agenda: None.
6. Public Forum: A resident spoke in support of the proposed weight restriction on the B1113. It was noted that this was in the early stages as the PC was pursuing a comprehensive survey by Suffolk County Council of HGV traffic through the village.

Another resident asked about the future of the playing field and Redgrave Amenities Trust representatives assured the meeting that there would be an update soon.

Finally, several residents enquired about grass cutting at the Old School Playing Field. It was noted that the PC had been unable to cut the grass for several years due to fly-tipped items in the long grass which had damaged machinery in the past. It was suggested that it could be scythed and then walked over to remove the items so that it can be kept cut. The Parish magazine report would ask for volunteers.

7. Planning:

7.1 Applications:

7.1.1 The Grange, Hinderclay Road. Ref. DC/18/02119. Planning Application. Erection of single storey office building and creation of associated car parking. Reopening of former access. Re-consultation due to new red line drawing. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to have no further comment.

7.2 Decisions: None.

8. Ongoing Items:

8.1 Old School Playing Field: The speed survey for Half Moon Lane had been completed and the final report would soon be available. The PC had received an abbreviated report which indicated that speeds were generally under the speed limit. The issue of a right of way over the access to the field would need to be pursued by a solicitor it was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to accept Spire Solicitors' quote of up to £1,500.

9. New Items:

9.1 War Memorial: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to accept the quote of £2,241 (1/3 from Redgrave £747) for cleaning and letter renovation of the memorial at Botesdale Market Place.

10. Correspondence:

10.1 Suffolk Police: The PC received correspondence from Suffolk Police about parish-funded PCSOs. It was felt that this might be an opportunity to have a regular police presence in the village and had been taken up successfully in other parishes, often with several sharing a PCSO to reduce the cost. The PC agreed to express an interest to find out more about the scheme.

10.2 Suffolk Police: It was noted that a public meeting with the Police Commissioner would be held on Wednesday, 11 July at 7pm at Cedars Hotel, Needham Road, Stowmarket.

10.3 MSDC: The Local Plan Community Involvement Consultation was noted.

11. Finance:

11.1 Account balance: £ 23,769.47
Income £ 1,850.00 Community Led Housing Fund

11.2 Accounts for Payment:
Admin Payments £ 502.37 Not itemised due to GDPR
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: The PC was asked to consider providing £1,500 for a feasibility study looking at how practical it would be to provide a community shop in the pub. The Clerk had contacted the District Council about grant funding for the project and this would be taken forward by Cllr Preston.
The Street sign at Fen Street had reappeared. The Clerk would arrange for it to be re-erected.
13. New matters for next meeting: Verge cutting.
14. Next meeting: 5 September 2018.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.31pm.