

REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES 4 March 2020
Held in the Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Angela Bigley, Bob Hayward, the Parish Clerk and 1 member of the public.

1. Chairman's Opening: In the Chairman and Vice-Chairman's absence, it was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to appoint Bob Hayward Chairman for the duration of the meeting. Bob welcomed everyone.
2. Apologies received: Mike Denmark, John Giddings, Ann Preston and Jason Walker.
3. Casual Vacancies: One prospective candidate, Frank Gillett, was considered by the Council. It was RESOLVED unanimously to co-opt Mr Gillett, who was invited to take his seat on the Council.
4. Declarations of interest: None.
5. Minutes of the meeting of 5 February 2020 were agreed as a true record.
6. Progress reports not covered on agenda: The Clerk reported that the 'skirting' of the footway along the B1113 was underway.
7. Public Forum: A member of the public expressed concern about the number of potholes through the village. It was agreed that the Clerk would highlight in the parish magazine information about the Highways Reporting Tool on the SCC website so that more people could get involved in reporting them.
8. Planning:
 - 8.1 Applications: None.
 - 8.2 Decisions: None.
9. Ongoing Items:
 - 9.1 Neighbourhood Plan: A draft of the report assessing sites that were submitted after the "Call for Sites" had been reviewed and some corrections made. The first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan was under way and it was hoped that it would go out to initial consultation in a few weeks. The NHP group had found some very interesting information about archaeological finds in Redgrave and some of this would go in the Plan.
 - 9.2 Entrance Gateways: The Clerk would contact SCC about the delay in installing these.
 - 9.3 Christmas Tree: This would be deferred to the next meeting.
 - 9.4 Internal Audit Review: Cllr Denmark had carried out the review based on the internal controls checklist provided by the Suffolk Association of Local Councils and was happy to sign off on the accounts. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to accept the review.
10. New Items:
 - 10.1 VE and VJ Days: The pub was planning an event, possibly a street party, and would be looking at the possibility of closing the slip road in front of the pub.
11. Correspondence:
 - 11.1 MSDC: It was noted that from 6 April, parking offences would become a civil matter and enforcement in Mid Suffolk would be dealt with by West Suffolk Council. The PC noted the services that could be provided by District Council funded PCSOs under a referral system which was via PC only. These included visits to schools, community groups and events, home security assessments, speed checks and dealing with neighbour disputes or anti-social behaviour.
 - 11.2 MSDC: The PC noted the increases in cost to PC of dog and litter bin emptying. Dog bin emptying would cost the parish £42.23 per bin, up from £41, and litter bins would cost £36.05, up from £35.
 - 11.3 East Anglia Children's Hospice: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to make a grant of £100 to EACH. This would be paid at the next meeting.
12. Finance:
 - 12.1 Account balance:

Account balance:	£ 20,285.23
Income	£ 0.00
 - 12.2 Accounts for Payment:

Admin Payments	£ 420.07	Not itemised due to GDPR
Mortimer Contracts Ltd	£ 660.00	Play Area Refurbishment

Compass Point Planning	£ 1,256.00	Neighbourhood Plan Consultant Fees
SALC	£ 18.00	GDPR Training

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

11.3 Grants for Payment (agreed on 8 January 2020, minute 12.3):

RBR PCC	£ 500.00	s214(6) LGA 1972
Redgrave Amenities Trust	£ 300.00	s133 LGA 1972
Suffolk Accident Rescue Service	£ 100.00	s137 LGA 1972
East Anglia Air Ambulance	£ 100.00	s137 LGA 1972
Neighbourhood Watch	£ 50.00	s137 LGA 1972
Citizens Advice Bureau	£ 50.00	s142 LGA 1972

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

13. Matters carried forward from this meeting or to be brought to the attention of the council: It was suggested that the pub might have signs on some of the approaches to the village. Cllr Giddings would bring this up with the pub.
14. New matters for next meeting: None.
15. Next meeting: 1 April 2020 – Annual Parish Meeting to start at 7pm.
16. To consider the exclusion of the public and press in the public interest under section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 for consideration of the following items: It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to close the meeting to the public. The PC noted that the PC's employer contribution to the Clerk's pension would be reduced in the next financial year from 25% to 24%, and to 23% for the two following years. A 41-page pension statement would be added to Dropbox

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.12 pm.