

MINUTES REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL  
Wednesday 11 July 2007  
Held at Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Mr K Collins, Mrs J Cresswell, Mr S Rourke, Mr I Baird, Mr J McCluskey, Mrs A Preston, Mr R Hayward. District Councillor Mrs S Michell, WPC P Shadbolt and 4 residents.

1. Apologies : Mr J Walker, County Councillor Mr C Michell
2. The chairman welcomed everyone
3. Declarations of interest - none
4. Minutes of meeting of Wednesday 13 June 2007 were agreed a true record
5. Matters arising not covered by this agenda - none
6. Declaration of office by new councillor completed
7. *Open discussion with county and district councillors, and services*  
*Sarah explained that all councils were having to save money. MSDC has a joint venture with Babergh o waste. The county council is likely to be £150 million in the red in 6 years time if no action is taken.*  
*Pauline now has 19 parishes but they will be covered by a team. There have been only 3 reported crimes in Redgrave since April. The new chief constable is Simon Ash.*
8. *Open discussion with residents*  
*There were more duck factory lorries coming through the village than in the past probably because the Attkeborough distribution centre has been closed*
9. Planning  
1436 06 re Barn Adjacent Green Farm withdrawn  
1087 07 Extension 4 Walnut Tree Close granted  
Planning new forms and portal bus at Stowmarket 12 July on ASDA car park  
An agreed letter has been sent to MSDC objecting to Redgrave being classified as “countryside” and justifying its being classified as a “primary village”  
Letter from Fred Brooks supporting PC position as primary village
10. Finance and cheques for signature  
Agreed pay £49.98 to Suffolk County Council for street lighting  
Consider small grant to shop project – await request  
Replacement of seat demolished by hedge cutter £419.55 - will be reimbursed  
Need to check whether Suffolk Acre membership is included in insurance renewal  
Agreed pay £9,922.88 for Teen shelter when grant is received from MSDC and then reclaim the VAT  
Agreed to obtain picking sticks and reflective jackets. Jan and Joyce to get prices.
11. What next on getting buses restored. Questionnaire is being prepared. The sub-committee meeting will be on Monday 16 July
12. Housing survey working group. The preferred option is to approach landowner of former Reeders rented field opposite the Activities Centre.
13. Childrens equipment. Teen shelter installed. Next stage being prepared
14. Duck Factory
15. Emergency planning – carried forward.
16. Any other correspondence or information  
Letter from Community Council regarding play equipment at Half Moon Lane noted.  
ROSPA reports received and distributed  
Parish Council feedback on community safety information requested  
Post boxes – Shop post box relocated by pond  
Age concern request for funds – carried forward to when we pay grants  
Air ambulance request for funds – carried forward to when we pay grants

17. Ideas for improvements to village (excluding Activities Centre & play areas)
  - Entrances to village – no progress
  - Notice boards – prototype under construction
18. Matters carried forward from this meeting
19. New matters for next meeting
20. Date of next meeting 12 September

12 September 2007

Chairman