

MINUTES REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, 13TH February, 2008

Held at Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30pm

Present: Mr. K.Collins, Mrs. J. Cresswell, Mr. S. Rourke, Mr. I. Baird, Mrs. A. Preston, Mr. J. McCluskey, Mr. J. Walker, County Councillor Mr. C. Michell, District Councillor Mrs. S. Michell and 5 residents.

- Item 1** Apologies Mr.R.Hayward
- Item 2** The Chairman welcomed everyone. Councillor Rourke operated the computer and Councillor Baird took the minutes.
- Item 3** Councillor Baird declared interest in planning 0085/08
Councillor J. Walker declared interest in planning 0126/08
- Item 4** Minutes of meeting of Wednesday 9th January agreed as a true record.
- Item 5** It was agreed to purchase 10 rubbish picking sticks at £8.83 each + VAT.
Purchase of Yellow reflector jackets was not agreed. Councillor Cresswell to arrange.
- Item 7**
Open discussion with County and District Councillors. Councillor Charles Michell expressed his disgust with the recent MP's expenses revelations. Neither he nor his colleagues or Councillors in Suffolk had, to his knowledge, been involved in such activities. MPs were paid and received considerable expenses which was not the case of local councillors. He also advised that the County Council tax would increase by 3.5% - one of the lowest in the country. Councillor Sarah Michell noted that the Mid Suffolk tax increase would be 4.5%. Mr.Baird congratulated the Councillors on the Web Site advice on free insulation for the over 70s and also the extended free bus pass for Suffolk residents who could use the pass at any time within Suffolk from 1st April.
- Item 9** Planning 4042/07 - no objections raised agreed by e-mail
0126/08 - no objections raised.Plans at meeting
0085/08 - no objections raised. Plans at meeting
- Item 10** Payment approved £132.50 MSDC for mast planning application
£49.98 SCC street lighting
Further consultation with MSDC Tree Officer as to whether any action needs to be taken. Councillor Cresswell to follow up.
- Item 11** Bus survey results indicates
23 currently use the buses
26 would use the buses
53 would not use the buses
Thanks were expressed to Councillor McCluskey
- Item 12** The exhibition relating to affordable housing was well received with over 24 people registering attendance. It is anticipated that the plans will be submitted for approval in April 08, work to start in October 08 and completion by July 09.

- Item 13** Play equipment - carried forward
- Item 14** Gressingham Foods indicated that Geese and Turkeys will not be outside and that land may be either sold or changed to alternative farming methods. No birds dealt with at the factory will allowed to have been free range within 10 KM of the factory
- Item 16** Speed monitors – They are not free. J McC and IB to follow up with other PCs
All other items to next meeting.
- Item 18** See item 16
- Item 20** Date of next meeting 12th March 2008

Chairman
14th February 2008