

MINUTES REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Wednesday 8 October 2008

Held at Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Mrs J Cresswell, Mr I Baird, Mrs A Preston, Mr R Hayward, Mr J McCluskey,
Mr J Giddings, Mrs J Orves, Mr J Walker, WPC Shadbolt and 4 residents

1. Apologies : Mr S Rourke, County Councillor Mr C Michell and District Councillor Sara Michell
2. The chairman welcomed everyone
3. Declarations of interest – None
4. Minutes of meeting of Wednesday 10 September 2008 were agreed a true record
5. Matters arising not covered by this agenda - none
6. Changes in councillors - none
7. *Open discussion with county and district councillors, and services*
WPC Pauline Shadbolt reported that Redgrave remains relatively free of crime compared with other localities. Only one minor incident had been reported in the last quarter.
8. *Open discussion with residents – no subjects raised*
9. Planning
The Core strategy Development plan has been adopted and is available on www.midsuffolk.gov.uk
The financial case for Unitary councils is on www.suffolk.gov.uk/yourcouncil
2440/08 Planning permission had been refused on Rosedene extension – too large
10. Finance and cheques for signature
Internet connection progress. It is still difficult to get any sense or action from BT
Next month we need to set the budget and precept.
Agreed reimburse I Baird £21.84 travelling expense attending meeting on our behalf
11. Buses – delete from future agendas
12. Housing survey working group. The project is suffering from the current economic slow-down.
Jan Cresswell will talk to MSDC to see if the drainage problem can be resolved now so that when the time is right to proceed there will be no outstanding questions to delay further.
13. Childrens equipment – Playdale still needs to remedy a few outstanding items and will not be paid by MSDC until the items are satisfactorily rectified.
14. Duck Factory – carry forward
15. Village shop – business is picking up again since they started selling newspapers
16. Any other correspondence or information
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An anonymous note had been sent to the Parish Magazine editor on the HSE implications of cutting verges – was agreed, as is normal policy, to do nothing until the author has identified himself.
A note had been received from Eye police station urging keeping to speed limits
Tree warden training day 24 October Thornham Walks. John Preston and Jason Walker will attend.
Consultation on more powers for Parish Councils to make bye-laws a reply is needed by 20 November. Ian Baird and John Preston would recommend a response.
The road closure from the Activities Centre to the Church for the cyclo-cross Saturday 15 November 11.00 to 15.30 was agreed.
John Giddings advised that the Knoll phone box is listed
17. Ideas for improvements to village (excluding Activities Centre & play areas)
Jean Baird had written with several constructive suggestions. Arising from that it was agreed to try to get Highways to produce proposals for a connecting footway in the centre of the village and for widening the road at the Knoll on the Churchway side where most buses stop.
John Giddings would ask his wife if she could help with a parish council website
Speed sensing warning lights – Pauline Shadbolt suggested contacting Fressingfield.
Repaint village sign – Kay and Mitch Mitchell kindly agreed to do this in 2009
Maintain bus shelter – agreed get quotes
Entrances to village – consider concrete pipes as planters
18. Matters carried forward from this meeting
Items 10 budget, internet, 12,13,14,15,16 parish powers, 17 highways, website, speed sensors
19. New matters for next meeting – 2 more dog bins, painting benches, financial info to parish magazine
20. Date of next meeting – 12 November

Signed Joyce Orves Chairman 12/11/ 08