Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 11th November 2020 (VIRTUAL MEETING)

Present: Mr G Cox, Mrs J Holmes, Mr R Goodliffe (Chairman), M/s B Goodrum, Mr W Goreham; in attendance (part-time) Cllr J Timewell (NCC), Cllr J Toye (NNDC)

1. Mr Goodliffe welcomed all attending.
2. Declarations of interest - none
3. The Council approved the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on September 9th 2020, proposer WG, all agreed.
4. Matters arising

4.1 NCC Highways – NCC had acknowledged concerns about the Eagle Road one-way priority – with little hope of change; Cllr JT (NCC) would follow this up. The High Noon Road passing place was now improved. A drain flushing had been requested for The Street, Erpingham and NCC were advised about the fallen tree detritis on The Street Erpingham near the A140, which did not meet their intervention threshold.

4.2 Norman Smith memorial – ideas had been forthcoming and members agreed that this may take longer to achieve if it is to be reflected in the play area project.

1. Planning

5.1 Albany, Cromer Road - side/rear extensions (20/1670) – the Council had no objection.

5.2 White Willow, 1 Town End Cotts, The Street, Calthorpe - side extension (20/1426) - the Council had no objection.

5.3 Land S of Eagle Road – 8 dwellings (20/0100) – the appeal against refusal had been dismissed.

5.4 Other planning business – Cllr JT (NNDC) gave an update on the enforcement issue and advised that the Parish Council may in due course receive £2000 in Section 106 monies from the Broadland development.

6. Finance:

6.1 Finance report – the precept (2nd half) had been received, Barclays were querying information provided for the change to bank signatories, and Village Care had requested support (agenda item in January).

6.2 To review the latest budget up-date – this had been circulated to members and was accepted, all agreed.

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6.3 To set the Parish Precept for 2021-2022 – the Council discussed the right precept level acknowledging that future needs should be supported by decisions today; RG proposed that the precept should be £11,200, and this was agreed nemcon.

6.4 The Council approved en bloc the following payments, proposer BG, all agreed:

K Richardson, grass cutting £540.00 (cheque 0621)

E.ON, electricity £73.07 (0622)

Clerk’s salary payslips [Oct £323.74, Nov £284.98] SO’s

1. Play Area

Members of the Council had met to discuss the play area and once a file note of this was circulated a working party would meet at the play area to address some of the urgent issues. The Council agreed that the waste bins collection should be formalised and a new bin purchased, which the Clerk would arrange.

1. Welcome leaflet

The Council agreed to liaise with the current compiler, plan its updating and how to communicate the information within it in the future.

1. Vacancy on the Council

This was now for co-option and the Council decided to defer the item. The Clerk would advertise the vacancy (website/notice boards) and members would sound out possible candidates.

10. Reports

10.1 Members’ Reports -

JH suggested that the Council should write a letter of appreciation to a resident for assistance during the recent storms, which the Clerk would do.

10.2 Clerk’s Report – E.ON had requested to fit a Smart Meter at the MUGA; he had received a copy of a resident’s complaint re School Road flooding (sewage) sent to Anglia Water, NNDC, and the MP. The next Census is in March 2021 and as job opportunities were part of this exercise the Clerk would post advice on the website.

11. Open meeting – there was no business

The meeting closed at 20.20.

Signed .........................................................Chairman Date.............................. 2020