



# Trunch Parish Council

Chairman: Alan Bowker

## **MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF TRUNCH PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th March 2023 at 7.30pm AT THE METHODIST CHURCH.**

Present: -

Cllr. A. Bowker (Chairman), Cllr. R. Nevill, Cllr. C. Owers, & Cllr. S Wild,  
Cllr E Maxfield - NCC  
Jane Wisson – Clerk. – 3 members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Cllr L Elden
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**  
Cllr R Nevill – TVS, Village Hall and Kings Coronation working Group, Cllr A Bowker – TVS and Kings Coronation Working Group
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 and MATTERS ARISING** –  
Proposed by Cllr. S Wild, seconded Cllr. C Owers – **ALL AGREED**
4. **COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**
  - 4.1 County Councilors report - Various items were discussed around the Norfolk County Deal – consultation on the proposal is open for comments – there is also a session being held at North Walsham. Budget cuts are needed to manage the current budget situation – they are reviewing the way in which services are being delivered by transformation of service delivery. Changes to opening times for some services as well as improvements in service delivery. On going development of recycling sites by utilizing the ability to develop reuse sites. The adoption of the Speed Management Strategy has been through the process with the agreement of investment in some aspects of road improvements. Some of the issues raised at the last meeting have been responded to and answered including the badger/fox holes and the need to widen the Restricted Bridleway. Highways are also aware of the flooding of Brewery Road and are monitoring the situation.
  - 4.2 District Councilors report– NO REPORT
5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
Residents raised concerns on planning application PF/23/0218 and provided the Parish Council with an overview of the concerns they had. The council advised that they should put in a notification to the District Council about the concerns that they have along the lines of material considerations in planning terms. Parish Council also have similar concerns and will be putting in comment highlighting elements that they have concerns on.

## 6. FINANCE MATTERS

6.1 To agree the cheques for payment – total payments of £1233.18 - proposed by Cllr C Owers, seconded by Cllr S Wild – **ALL AGREED**.

6.2 To agree any late Invoice payment requests – none received.

6.3 Monthly figures for January 2023 & February 2023 – proposed by Cllr R Nevill, seconded by Cllr C Owers – **ALL AGREED**

## 7 Parish Plan

7.1 Emergency Plan – to set up a working party to include, TVS, Church and other interested parties – Chairman to bring to April meeting.

7.2 Preparation for May 2023 Elections – Clerk just reminded all Councilors that we need to promote the need for Councilors and this will be added to the Mardle.

## 8. HIGHWAYS

8.1 Highways Inspection – several concerns have been raised with Highways – Clerk is chasing further concerns have been raised on the flooding on Brewery Road

8.2 To receive any other Highways matters and agree action – The Old Southrepps Road is very muddy from Sugar Beet activity – the side of the road is showing signs of wear along with ruts that need filling, Potholes are increasing on various roads in Trunch, Clerk to report all potholes/road edges through to Highways and ask when the next inspection is due to be undertaken.

## 9 PLAYING FIELD

9.1 Tree planting on the playing field – Clerk updated that we could obtain one and that Cllr E Maxfield will fund.

9.2 To receive other playing field matters and agree actions – hedge has been removed from the side of the playing field. Chairman to have a word with the owner to ask about renewing the hedge that has been removed.

The clerk updated that we are just waiting for the posts to be put in place ready for the signs once they are up the Rangers can patrol the area.

Clerk asked if Chairman/Clerk can have delegated powers to deal with the mole situation on the playing field – Clerk is waiting for costs and has asked that we have designated authority up to £500. Cllr, R Nevill proposed, Cllr S Wild seconded and **ALL AGREED** to designate the Chairman to authorize works up to £500.

Clerk to investigate funding for improvements/repairs/updating of play equipment and report to next meeting.

## 10 PLANNING

10.1 To receive update on Planning Applications and agree actions:

PF/23/0218 – Clerk to put in an objection to the application on material consideration grounds.

10.2 To receive any other Planning matters and agree actions – smoking shelter – Clerk to speak to Enforcement in where we are on the smoking shelter. Also speak to the enforcement team about cladding properties.

## 11 FOOTPATHS

11.1 Verge Cutting – Clerk confirmed that the contract has been awarded ready for the new season to start.

11.2 Southrepps Path – Clerk is chasing the Clerk of Southrepps on this one.

11.3 To receive footpath matters and agree action – none.

**11 TASK AND FINISH GROUP**

12.1 Allotments – Clerk and Cllr C Owers to catch up for a meeting to discuss. Clerk is still chasing the Diocese regarding the options moving forward.

**12 PARISH MATTERS**

13.1 Kings Coronation Event – Chairman updated that meetings have gone well, Leaflet had been designed and distributed, Road Closure is in place ready for display and Chairman to visit all properties to ensure that they are aware of the alternative arrangements for parking on the day. Thanks were offered to all concerned.

13.2 Other Parish Matters - Grit bins – Clerk to speak to Cllr E Maxfield regarding getting the bins refilled and gifting them to NCC.

Clerk to contact Housing Association to discuss parking in Cornish Avenue to help with verge cutting from April for our contractor.

**14 NORFOLK ALC – WELLBEING INITIATIVE**

14.1 Various papers - circulated for information - notated

**15 CORRESPONDENCE**

15.1 Norfolk ALC Bulletin – circulated for information - notated.

15.2 Correspondence – circulated for information – notated.

Meeting closed at 21.09pm

Next Meeting: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 7.30pm

Chairman Signature..... Dated:.....