

Southrepps

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 18th October 2017 @ 7.30pm

Present: Lesley Sparrow (Chair), Roger Smith (Vice Chair),
Louis de Soissons, Louise Marriner and Tish Peale
Apologies: Paul Briggs and Graham McCabe
Others: Sue Arnold - NNDC, Tim Adams - NCC
Mark Ashwell - NNDC - (partial)
2 members of the public attended

1. **To consider apologies for absence**
Paul Briggs and Graham McCabe - accepted by the Council.
2. **To receive declarations of interest and Pecuniary interest authority**
Tish Peal - SOU02 - Land off Long Lane.
3. **To approve Minutes**
Ordinary Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 6th September 2017
Resolved that these be approved.
4. **Resolution to adjourn the meeting for public participation, Police and District and County Councillor Reports (15 minutes maximum)**
Resolved to open the meeting to the public.

Sue Arnold, NNDC - gave her report which is attached to the Minutes at Appendix 1.

5. **To receive information from Mark Ashwell, NNDC - Planning Department**
Mark Ashwell, NNDC - outlined the Core Strategy and the Site Allocation documents which were prepared approximately 10 years ago. Currently these are being reviewed to incorporate a further 20 year plan so that service providers know about the potential growth in Norfolk over the timescale. This does not only cover house building but includes tourism, employment, retailing and housing policies. It outlines the statutory development plan which gives a legal status to the planning led process. The new plan is required which will cover growth and again re-assess all the policies and its primary job is to identify land for this purpose; this lays out the vision and a plan for growth. Over the next 20 years 510 houses per annum will need to be built in North Norfolk to meet the target set by the Government. There is a need for housing which has been identified primarily due to people living longer and staying in their homes and people wanting to move to the area (inward migration). Second homes are also an issue with 13-14% either empty or second homes and NNDC cannot control this.

New housing development will be focussed in the market towns where there are more facilities. Villages are being reviewed along with barn conversions and the rural exceptions policy. Southrepps is designated as a service village and the sites have been allocated however it has been difficult to get builders to build in the villages which is why the focus has been for affordable housing and exception schemes. It has been extremely difficult for NNDC to find land suitable for nearly 7,000 homes in the towns. 2,000 at the moment have not been built and this leaves a field day for developers. If housing targets are not met in North Norfolk developers can challenge the delivery rates.

A 5 year land supply is necessary on a rolling cycle to ensure adequate land is available. If not this could undermine the building process.

There was a question and answer session which covered the Council's concerns at being designated as a Service Village 10 years ago and how the village had developed. Members outlined their concerns over the LDF and the status of Southrepps and considered it had not worked. Discussion took place with the issues and problems faced at Drury's Yard and Beechlands. Questions were asked why developments were so large and this caused issues with traffic, access, roads and general transport. Southrepps and also Weybourne are marginal service villages and there was discussion on various options which could be adopted. The Council emphasised that it was extremely keen to see Southrepps - de-designated as a Service Village. In the new LDF and this status may be removed entirely however, some villages want and need development.

There were issues with the small allocated village sites just being too small for large builders and too big for smaller ones. There are only 3 brownfield sites in the area and they do not have services. You need 8,000 houses in order to build a secondary school.

Tim Adams, NCC - informed that he had been consulted on the planning application at Long Lane and had put forward his views. Discussion took place on the abysmal and slow response from Norse and a copy of communications will be forwarded to him. A hedge had inadvertently been cut back by Highways which was an oversight. NCC are having to make substantial cut backs for next years and one suggestion was that Parish Councils pay for the grit in the roadside grit bins.

The mobile library was another service which was being reviewed and this service will have to change or may be lost. The funding for the Big Society Fund was also being reviewed and this may lead to the loss of the funding to NNDC. Adult Social Services were also being looked at. Benjamin Court - the beds were "saved" but the provision of these will be altered. Tim's discretionary budget of 6k for small highway improvements had identified the provision of a pedestrian barrier at Cromer School. It was suggested that for Southrepps a road narrowing sign could be a way forward. The Clerk would discuss this with him.

EP

Resolved to close the meeting to the public.

6. To report on matters arising (updates and information only)

- 6.1 To review upgrade of recreation ground project** - letter of complaint sent and meeting held to agree the way forward - remedial work has now recommenced albeit slowly. Both the Chair and Clerk had telephoned senior Norse employees on a daily basis with little response. There was still outstanding work to be done and the Members expressed their total disappointment at the progress of this project. The Clerk was asked to send a letter of complaint to the Directors of Norse. EP
- 6.2 Community speedwatch** - Louise Marriner reported that she would be attending a meeting being held by the Chief Constable on this initiative.
- 6.3 SCT and replacement Deeds and date for community public meeting** - Land registry requiring further information and a Land Registry Surveyor is attending. An additional charge of £40 is to be made. This is now progressing slowly. SCT had highlighted their concern with having to apply for the Higher Level Stewardship Scheme and that this

entailed a great deal of work. It was also highlighted that the Council had not forwarded any funds recently. The Clerk would write to find out if they needed any further contributions. EP

6.4 Allotments

All funds had been banked however 1 cheque had been returned and the leaseholder has been contacted for a replacement.

6.5 Response to SOU02 24 houses at Land at Long Lane

A letter of strong objection had been lodged with NNDC and approximately 48 other objections had been forwarded from the community to support this stance.

6.6 Replacement Zip Wire Seat - completed

6.7 Strimming around village hall - this had been done however there was a patch which could not be done due a vehicle obstruction. The contractor would endeavour to complete in due course.

6.8 Trimming of trees around the car park - waiting prices.

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6.9 Emptying of dog bin at Clipped Hedge Lane - reported again to NNDC and being monitored

6.10 Replacement trees at Clipped Hedge Lane/Beechlands - LDS

Clerk to purchase another Tilia Cordata.

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7. To consider and review Planning if received prior to meeting

17/1173	Land at Long Lane	24 dwellings	OBJECTED to by PC
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8. To review correspondence

NNDC - John Dougan - Planning - Victory House - Lane off Long Lane

NNDC - Steve Blatch explanation of the support given from Antingham and Southrepps School for the development of the land at Long Lane

CPRE - invitation to attend meeting 7th November - at the Atrium re Housing Targets

Norfolk Police re SNAP meetings

The Play Inspection Report

NNDC - Norfolk Local Plan - Newsletter

9. Financial Matters

9.1 To approve payments

DATE	AMOUNT inc VAT	PAYEE	CHQ NO
12.09.07	15.36	EON	d/d
19.10.17	175.80	NGF Play	996
19.10.17	97.12	TT Jones	997
19.10.17	156.00	Play Inspection Co	998
19.10.17	315.00	Community Heartbeat Trust	999
19.10.17	85.20	Indigo Waste	1000
19.10.17	26.00	Mick Kinder (caretaker)	1001
19.10.17	371.80	Elaine Pugh	1002

Resolved to pay enbloc

FUNDS RECEIVED

Interest

£0.03

NNDC - Precept

£6,999.00

Allotments

£145.00

- 9.2 **To agree to SAM 2 application to NCC Parish Partnership Scheme**
 The Clerk highlighted that the cost to the Parish Council would equate to approximately £1,000 plus VAT. Donations have been pledged from the Southrepps Society of £500 and £250 from the Support Scheme. 50% of the overall cost should be met by the Partnership Scheme. The Council resolved that these funds be “earmarked” for this asset to be purchased in 18/19. EP
- 9.3 **To consider and agree adoption of volunteers for installation of Christmas Trees and contribution of running costs for lights**
 The Council agreed to adopt the volunteers who install the trees and lights as well as meet the cost for the electricity for the Christmas lights for 2017. A risk assessment was necessary. The Clerk would put forward an application for Street Furniture at the junction of Long Lane Christmas Tree. All other trees would be on private land so therefore would be the responsibility of the land owner. EP
- 9.4 **To consider donation to Norfolk CAB**
 Deferred to the November meeting. Agenda
10. **To consider and review play inspection report**
 The Clerk highlighted the play inspection report and a copy would be forwarded to councillors if requested. The area is medium risk and there are a few elements to address. The Clerk would arrange for the necessary repairs to be undertaken. The zip wire seat which was urgent had been repaired. EP
11. **To Receive Reports from Councillors and items for November 2017 Agenda**
 General Donations
 Budgets 2018-2019 (increase by £250)
 There was a burnt out car at Bramble Lane - the Clerk would report this to NNDC. EP
 Tree cutting around the recreation ground
12. **To Confirm the Date of the next meetings**
 Southrepps Ordinary Meeting on 29th November 2017 at 7.30pm
 Southrepps Village Hall

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.10pm.

APPENDIX 1

Report to Southrepps pc 18.10.2017

Long Lane. Talks have been taking place with planners regarding the density. The suggestion has been made to them to include market housing but as has been stated previously they cannot do this with their charitable status. At the moment as I understand it will be withdrawn, but of course will almost certainly come back.

Local plan. This is coming along well though due to a severe shortage of staff a little behind target.

We will shortly be embarking on site visits of proposed major allocation sites. Mainly this will be in the market towns. A recent government consultation document suggests a rise from our projected 409 dwelling per annum in NN, to 511. This causes us great concern as if we don't meet government set targets it can have dire consequences for NN - I imagine Mark will say more on this subject.

Boundary Commission report out soon. Aylsham will be included in North Norfolk with Briston in the west moving to Broadland. This is to reduce MPS from 650 to 600. Local district review still being awaited but almost certain local councillors will reduce from 48 to 40. Roughton Ward, though it may have a different name will include Gimingham.

Footpath –Trimingham Rd to Northrepps. Notice stating it will be upgraded to a bye way. Is this a concern?

Itteringham shop. We were delighted to be able to support the community of Itteringham in their desire to keep the community shop open. It has been running continuously for over 300 years.

The purchase included the adjacent five bed house which will be let on a holiday basis