



North Tuddenham Parish Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on
Tuesday 12th July 2022

PRESENT: Cllrs Stapleton (Chair), Harding (Vice Chair), Baxter (RFO) and Hall;
Clerk and 3 members of the public

1.0 Chairman's Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

2.0 Apologies for Absence – Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Phillips; rolling acceptance from Cllr Blake.

3.0 Declarations of interest

Recycling Agenda Item – Cllr Stapleton

Community Association Agenda Item – Cllrs Stapleton and Baxter

4.0 Public Session

Noise Issue – barking dog. Clerk confirmed informal letter has been sent to resident.

Parishioners recommended to consult Environmental Health if the nuisance continues.

Problems merging from Mill Road onto Main Road due to vehicle speeding was discussed. It was confirmed that the placing of a roadside mirror might have planning and safety implications as it is not a prescribed road traffic sign. Cllrs explained that at present, accident data does not indicate Local Authority intervention and further speed reduction measures. Measures open to the PC via the Parish Partnership scheme are being investigated and this matter has also formed part of consultation responses with the Contractors of the A47 upgrade. Cllr Harding reassured residents that the Council was continuing to lobby for a speed reduction.

5.0 To approve the Minutes of Previous Meetings

5.1 To approve the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 28th June 2022

Unanimously **AGREED** as a true and accurate record of events – signed by the Chairman

To approve the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 24th May 2022

Unanimously **AGREED** as a true and accurate record of events – signed by the Chairman

6.0 To consider matters arising from minutes of previous meetings not considered on this Agenda

Item for September Agenda – Recognition of Resident award

7.0 To receive any District and County Councillors' Reports – Apologies received from Cllr Borrett and Cllr Bambridge. No reports available.

8.0 To receive any update on the A47 Dualling Plans and North Western Link Road – Mike

Smith – Ex-Officio- Mr Smith delivered an update, summarising recent outcomes from Meetings; he confirmed that the initial decision deadline of 12th August for the A47 work may now be subject to delay.

NWL Cabinet has now approved the NWL and accommodations for wildlife have been made. Public Consultation about new route is expected in August/September.



- 9.0 To receive the Report of the North Tuddenham Community Association - Pat Baldwin**
Cllr Stapleton delivered a verbal report and told the meeting that an upcoming meeting of the CA would shortly confirm an events schedule for the remainder of the year.
- 10.0 To receive the Report of St Mary's Church Tower Project Group and North Tuddenham PCC**
Mr Smith confirmed that the Tuddenham 100 Club had agreed to distribute its holding fund of £2923 between the Community Association and the PCC. He confirmed this would help the ongoing challenges for meeting the Parish Share. A letter has been drafted to send to the Diocese to request some remission in respect of the elongated church-closure. Work to the Church Tower is almost complete. Work to restore the churchyard is underway. Fund raising events include a Car Boot sale on 31st July 2022 and a Songs of Praise event In St Mary's on 15th August 2022.
- 11.0 To receive the Report of The Common Volunteers' Group – Jonathan Stapleton**
Cllr Stapleton confirmed that work had now ceased for the Summer. It was noted that it would be preferential to use fresh flowers as opposed to artificial at any memorial sites on The Common.
There is currently wood available for sale.
Maintaining sufficient water supply to young trees was discussed and Cllr Stapleton agreed to check vehicular access should drought conditions worsen.
The RPA Agreement covers a 5-year period; Cllr Baxter noted that no payments had been received in the current year to date.
- 12.0 To receive the Report of the Village Recycling Project – Jonathan Stapleton**
Cllr Stapleton confirmed that recycling activities continued – he confirmed that there would be merit in having a stand at the Car Boot to sell-on recyclable appliances.
- 13.0 Highways Matters**
13.1 To receive update on progress in remedying displaced Neighborhood Watch pole, Pound Lane – Site visited and remedial works to be undertaken asap.
13.2 Parking on Mill Road – This was discussed as an ongoing issue in terms of safe access by Emergency service vehicles. **ACTION: Clerk to write to owner and suggest alternative parking arrangements.**
- 14.0 Planning**
13.1 To receive and consider any new planning applications - None
13.2 To note any planning outcomes - None
- 15.0 Policy Review**
15.1 To review and agree IA's recommendations to update Clause 18 of North Tuddenham Parish Council's Standing Orders – Previously circulated. Amendments unanimously **AGREED.**
15.2 To review and agree amendment to ensure controls, checks and transparency for a Serving Cllr acting as RFO - Previously circulated. Discussion took place and it was unanimously **AGREED** that amendments be accepted with the addition of wording that would ensure decisions could still be made where the RFO's abstention might mean failure to be quorate. **ACTION: Clerk to amend.**
- 16.0 To receive update on Platinum Jubilee Tree and guards and agree a selection. – Cllr Harding**
Cllr Harding presented prices and choices of trees and guards. It was **AGREED** that Cllr



Harding order in line with previously agreed budget of £200 (10.05.22:13)
Cllr Hall is currently investigating agreed purchase of Operation London Bridge paraphernalia.

17.0 Finance

17.1 To receive account balances

£6342.90 – Current Account

£646.53- Savings Account

17.2 Payments made since last meeting – All NOTED

Cheque No	Payee	Amount	Reason
511	NT Village Hall	£30.00	Rental for First Aid Course
512	Veronica Turner	£696.97	Clerk's Salary and Expenses
513	Lorraine Trueman	£50.00	Internal Audit
514	NT PCC	£500.00	2022/23 Grant

17.3 Receipts since last meeting

Breckland Recycling Credits - £224.59

Deposit Account Interest – £0.05p

17.4 To receive and consider any requests for grant funding – No applications received.

17.5 To discuss any future project for Parish Partnership Funding 2022-23

Discussion took place around applying for some further form of Vehicle Activated signage which could be used to reinforce speed-reduction in the village. **ACTION: Clerk to contact Highways/Westcotec to investigate.**

17.6 To review and agree All-Council Training for Autumn – Quotes previously circulated. Cllrs discussed the possible merits of joining Norfolk PTS in addition to Norfolk NALC Membership. Cllr Harding **PROPOSED** we invest in the additional premium and book the forthcoming all-council training suggested by Norfolk PTS; **SECONDED** by Cllr Stapleton - Cllrs unanimously **AGREED**. **ACTION: Clerk to arrange and book training for November.**

18.0 To note any correspondence received: NALC Bulletins; NCC Updates; NWL Liaison Group; CAN Newsletters; Planning emails; Temporary Traffic Orders; Parish Partnership Correspondence 2022-23; Email confirmation from PKF Littlejohn; Email from Galliford Try. - **NOTED**

19.0 Urgent Business – to discuss any issues raised by Cllrs that the Chairman considers urgent

Cllr Stapleton raised the issue of attempted break-ins within the locality; the potential to restore some form of early warning cascade system around the village was discussed. It was considered pertinent to discuss this at the next Community Association meeting with the idea of assimilating this within the CA What's App communication system already in place.

20.0 To confirm the date and time of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Tuesday 13th September 2022 at 7.30pm – North Tuddenham Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.15pm with no further matters arising.