

OUTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting (the 320th), of the Council, commenced on Tuesday 2nd July 2019, at 7pm. Chairman, Councillor Mr. Fred Keer presiding.

Attending :-

Councillors Mrs Jill Gooch, Mr. John Hollands and Mr Paul Brenchley, Mrs Tara Rust, Mrs Jane Sutton, Mr John Wake, Mr. John Watts, Mr. Dale Boyce, Ms Sarah Arden and Mr Matt Titmarsh

Borough Councillor Mr. Chris Crofts

1 member of public

Apologies for absence :-

Councillor, Mr. John Watts and County Councillor Mr. Harry Humphreys.

Councillors' Declaration of Interest in tonight's Agenda Items (as per Standing orders):-

Please indicate whether the interest is a personal one only or one which is also prejudicial. A declaration of an interest should indicate the nature of the interest and the agenda item to which it relates. In the case of a personal interest the member may speak and vote on the matter. If a prejudicial interest is declared the member should withdraw from the room whilst the matter is discussed.

Public Forum- Each elector has a two minute slot in which to talk :-

The Village cleaner Mr. M D Elington, bought up the matter of the overgrown vegetation in Robbs Chase- you can no longer walk through. Clerk to try and find land owners to get it cleared. NCC highways to be made aware too.

To receive monthly Police Updates/Speedwatch:-

Latest Crime figures received from the Police- copied to all Councillor's. Councillor Mrs. Jane Sutton reported that the Speed Watch teams have made a massive impact on speeding , the local villages. The team is back upto 7 members again, that Parish Councillors are welcome anytime to attend a speedwatch session. There are now 90 Speedwatch teams operating in the County, four sessions were held in June, it was noted that in Lowside that an afternoon session clocked 80cars and none were speeding, the worst area for speeders is Hall Road. Table is attached the minutes.

Minutes of the last Open Meeting and the AGM (4th June 2019) :-

These were circulated to all Councillors before the meeting.

The minutes were recorded as true reading on a proposal by Councillor Mrs Tara Rust and seconded by Mrs Jane Sutton.

Council Procedures :-

None

Matters Arising :

- a). St. Andrews' Church sent an invoice to pay for the meeting Room- this was agreed to pay the £286.00 and then give notice that the Council will no longer use St. Andrew's Church as a meeting place. The Crown lodge has a separate meeting room and will charge £20.00 per meeting. It was agreed that future meetings will be held there.
- b). NCC re- the stopping up order- a Mr.s Lawrence Malyon has now been passed the case... he will have to talk with his manager about the history. Mr Northwood has been updated.

Correspondance :-

- a). Email received from Emma Kelly- re children's play area in Whetstone Way Estate- at this time there is no budget available for play equipment to be installed, also the land is maintained by the Borough Council, so permission would have to be sought.
- b). Various papers and information are on the table.

Neighbourhood Plan:-

Councillor Mr Fred Keer reported a successful meeting had been held with Alex Fradley. Should Council go ahead with the Neighbourhood plan? After much discussion it was proposed to continue, there was no opposition. Chairman Mr. Fred Keer to continue steer the committee and with the help of Borough Council and consultants continue with required paperwork. It was advised that Council went online to look at other completed Neighbourhood plans

Beaupre School- Council Representative

Councillor Mrs Tara Rust reported that the School is in the last few week before the summer term break -up. Busy time of the year for the school with various activities going on. Unfortunately the Summer Fair had to be cancelled due to the lack of support in the Fundraising team. New parents next term need to be encouraged.

Cemetery/New Proposed cemetery :-

Councillor Mr. John Hollands reported the cemetery is tidy. Councillor Mr. Paul Brenchley had various issues to raise concerning the planning of a new cemetery in the village. A meeting to be arranged before the next open meeting to discuss the queries, then to report at the next meeting.

Playingfield/Recreation Ground :-

Councillor Mr. Paul Brenchley reported that an estimated water bill had arrived at a very high cost- this to be queried. Bookings are good, £1,800.00 was made at the 'OUTFEST', Council express their appreciation for the work the Village Hall and Playingfield committee do in when putting on fundraising events in the village.

Allotments:-

It was reported that another inspection is to be done before the next meeting. Conditions were bad for a car to access all areas. Concerned that a piece of land in The Common is not being used as it should be.

Planning:

Report is attached :-

Two planning decisions were finalised at this time.

Finance:-

- 1). May's Account's were formerly agreed.

Payments for July 2019 to be Authorised

Payee	Goods	VAT	Total	Ref	Supplier/ Service
Debbie Newton	506.00	0.00	506.00	DD	Clerk Wages
Mr Ellington	199.20	0.00	199.20	Jul-01	Village cleaner - June 24 hrs
Plusnet	23.35	0.00	23.35	Jul-02	BT Telephone/broadband July
1and1	8.99	1.80	10.79	Jul-03	Web Site monthly subscription
CGM	258.08	51.62	309.70	Jul-04	Canal cut 03.06.19
BCKL&WN	250.00	0.00	250.00	Jul-05	Maintenance of Upwell Car park
CGM	210.00	42.00	252.00	Jul-06	Cemetery Maintenance 24/04/19 and 24/06/19
K & M Lighting	91.35	18.27	109.62	Jul-07	Streetlight 1.7.19-31.7.19
St. Andrews	286.00	0.00	286.00	102421	Meeting Room May 2018-19
Eon Energy	296.16	59.23	355.39	DD	Energy Charges
WAVE	11.94	0.00	11.94	DD	Water bill Cemetery
PWLB	732.01	0.00	732.01	DD	Village Hall Loan

Total **2873.08** **172.92** **3046.00**

- 3). Variance Balances- May- copied to all Councillor's with the Agenda.
- 4) BulleyDavy are the accountants that ensure the Clerk's salary is accounted for.
- 5). Emma Bateman has done the internal audit- report still not available.

Village Committee and Highway matters including Streetlights :-

All enquiries from last month have been dealt with.

Road Closure 10th -12th July between hours 19.00-06.00 on the A1122 Downham Road from its junction with Pincushion Drove to its junction with Mullicourt Road.

Rangers report- copies sent to Councillor's.

Letter received from NCC Highways offering the Parish Partnership again- copied to all Councillor's. to become an Agenda Item

Rights of Way in the Parish :-

Councillor Ms Sarah Arden reported that she is now getting maps etc to help her with the research.

County and Borough Councillor Reports:-

County Councillor Mr. Harry was absent.

Borough Councillor Mr. Chris Crofts reported that people cannot gift pieces of land in order to get planning permission. He informed the Council the importance of CIL payments, he also touched on the latest development in the village with concerns of access arrangements and off highway issues. Parish Council are to ensure that with this development they get the right conditions for the highway in this area. Council are pressing strongly for safer crossings.

Outwell Parish Council Website-

The website has been updated.

Public rights of Way/Tramway:-

Nothing reported.

Agenda items for next meeting:-

Any Items for the next agenda to be received by 31st July 2019 please. Councillor Brenchley requested that Christmas be on the next agenda

Date of next meeting :-

Tuesday 6th August at 7.00p.m. at **The Crown Lodge Meeting Room, Downham Road.**

There being no other business to conduct, the meeting was declared closed at 8.40pm

Signed as true record of the meeting :- **Chairman**

