

OUTWELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting (the 342nd), of the Council, commenced on Tuesday 3rd August 2021, at Outwell Village Hall, with restrictions put in place. Chairman, Councillor Mr. Fred Keer presiding.

Attending :-

Councillors Mr. Paul Brenchley, Mr John Wake, Mr John Watts, Mrs Jill Gooch, Mr Dale Boyce and Mrs Tara Rust.
Borough Councillor's Mr. Harry Humphrey and Mr. Chris Crofts.
3 Member's of Public

1.1 Apologies accepted for absence :-

Councillors Mr Matt Titmarsh, Mrs Jane Sutton, Ms. Sarah Arden and Mr John Hollands.
County Councillor Mr Chris Dawson.

Chairman at this time mentioned that Councillor Mr. John Holland's had been absent from the live meetings since they began and that at the next meeting a possible decision would have to be made about continuation of being an elected member.

1.2. Councillors' Declaration of Interest in tonight's Agenda items.

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.

1.3. Public Forum for electors to address the Council.

The Village Cleaner informed the Council that the bin near the post office needs repairing, now collects water.

Clerk to find out who actually owns that bin.

1.4 The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6th July 2021 were distributed before this meeting. They were accepted on a proposal by Councillor Tara Rust and seconded by Mr John Wake. These were duly signed by the Chairman.

2 MATTERS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION AND/OR DECISIONS

2.1 To report matters arising from the minutes from the Meeting held 1st June 2021

2.1.1 The land adjacent to Picea Lodge. Much discussion took place before deciding that the selling of the area would be an asset. Also the matter was raised as to ownership. It was at this time that a proposal was made that all the boxes of Council information stored in the loft at the village Hall be logged. This to occur before the next meeting. **Clerk to get a copy of the deeds to ensure Parish Council ownership of this area.**

2.1.2. Dog waste bin has arrived to be installed by **Councillor Mr. Paul Brenchley at junction of Green Drove and The Cottons- Clerk then to inform Borough Council to empty it.**

2.1.3. QEH – email sent to all Councillor's to sign the petition and to send to any other personal email addresses.

2.1.4 Discussion regarding suitable land for a new cemetery- Councillor Mr. John Watts proposed the Recreation Ground be used for this purpose- **Cemetery working party to meet up and then report at the next meeting the feasibility of this occurring.**

2.1.5 MVV proposed incinerator in Wisbech- Council to write to the secretary of State to hopefully prevent this Incinerator being located in Wisbech.

2.2 Other matters requiring actions and/or decisions.

2.2.1 Mr. John Kenway wrote to Council with complaints of litter and ASB in the ChurchYard. Copy of email sent to all Councillor's. Clerk did send details to him about the SNAP meeting which was held 27th July. He thought it would be useful for him to attend. No further information.

2.2.2. Email received from - Clr Mr Chris Dawson regarding Roadside Nature Reserves (RNR)- are there any locations in the Parish that would be suitable?- This to be deferred to the next meeting .

2.2.3 Any suggestions to put forward to NCC for the Parish Partnership- correspondance has been received from Chris Dawson regarding using this to get feasibility studies done for the Two Crossings that Parish Council believe to be very important – This is to be discussed at the next meeting and become an agenda item.

3. FINANCE –

Payments for August 2021 to be Authorised

Payee	Goods	VAT	Total	Ref	Supplier/ Service
Debbie Newton	541.00	0.00	541.00	DD	Clerk Wages
Mr Ellington	304.09	0.00	304.09	Aug-01	Village cleaner 33 hrs @£8.72 and rubbish bags
Plusnet	24.99	0.00	24.99	Aug-02	BT Telephone/broadband July
1and1	15.00	3.00	18.00	Aug-03	Web Site monthly subscription
K & M Lighting	91.35	18.27	109.62	Aug-04	Streetlight 01.08.21-31.08.21
CGM	105.00	21.00	126.00	Aug-05	Cemetery maintenance 18/05
CGM	258.08	51.62	309.70	Aug-06	Infilled canal 10/06
CGM	25.00	5.00	30.00	Aug-07	Boat Basin cut 10/06
CGM	258.08	51.62	309.70	Aug-08	Infilled canal 25/06
CGM	516.16	103.23	619.39	Aug-09	Infilled canal 26/04 13/05
CGM	315.00	63.00	378.00	Aug-10	Cemetery 26/04 14/05 28/05
CGM	75.00	15.00	90.00	Aug-10	Boat Basin 26/04 14/05/28/05
Goldings	30.00	0.00	30.00	Aug-11	Chairman's expenses
Ebay	68.90	0.00	68.90	Aug-12	Ink Cartridges
Haven	229.37	44.33	273.70	DD	July Electrical charges
PWLB	55.48	0.00	55.48	DD	Loan payment for allotment land
Total	2912.50	376.07	3288.57		

3.1 Decisions/action

3.1.1 June Accounts were formerly agreed

3.1.2. Payments for August were agreed- as above.

3.2 For information

3.2.1. Variance Update for June - copy sent to all Councillors.

3.2.2 BulleyDavy are the accountants that ensure the Clerk's salary is accounted for.

4. REPORTS-

4.1 To receive monthly Police Updates sent via email.

4.1.1 All relevant emails sent to the Councillor's.

4.1.2 No one attended the SNAP meeting held 27th July.

4.1.3 Police consultation- no comment.

4.2. Neighbourhood Planning- Councillor Jill Gooch reported there was no progress with the new team yet.

4.3 To receive the report from the School Liason Officer – Councillor Mrs Tara Rust had nothing to report.

4.4 To receive the report from the OLD Cemetery working party- nothing reported.

4.5 To receive the report from the Playingfield and Village Hall Committee – Councillor Mr. Paul Brenchley reported that the internal lights are to be replaced, Bookings are good and that the local government had given some more funding due to COVID.

4.6 To receive the report from the Planning working party - report circulated before meeting.

4.6.1 Comment on the consultation?- Councillor's to have a look at the information and then report at the next meeting.

4.7 To receive the report from the Allotment Working Party-

4.7.1 Allotment inspection was good- still requiring help with the locations.

4.7.2 .The land that Mr. Cowling has given up in Goodman's Crossing is still available for rent from October- **clerk to contact those that might be interested in putting a tender in.**

4.7.3 Letter received from Middle Level requesting access to land so they can machine cleanse the drains.

4.8 To receive the report from the Village and Highways Working Party-

4.8.1. Streetlights reported as and when.

4.8.2 The bridleway which crosses the Infilled canal from Basin Road to the Roundabout has been reported twice- this now has been cut.

4.8.3 County Councillor Chris Dawson informed the Council that he had an annual budget of £10,000.00 to be used on small highway works within each financial year in the Division. This was sent to all Councillor's. Councillor Ms. Sarah Arden suggested signs beng erected coming into the village to promote a litter free community and help reduce speed. To be discussed at the next meeting anlong with other suggestions.

4.8.4. Hall Road- Councillor Matt Titmarsh reported that the Road just past Oakley farms is falling away into the dyke- this was reported and is now programmed to be dealt with. There was excess stones dumped in the dyke opposite Rose Villa- this was reported too and again NCC highways to deal with this.

4.8.5 – Flooding on Isle Road when a heavy downpour occurs- this also reported.

4.8.6. It was reported that back lane near the Tramway is never cut- again NCC highways are aware of this but haven't the resources to cut areas that are not used frequently. Clr Mr. Chris Dawson is aware of all these matters and is further investigating.

4.9 To receive the Norfolk County Councillor's Report - Mr Chris Dawson had sent his apologies but keeps the Parish Council updated.

4.10 To receive Borough Councillor Mr Chris Croft's report. – he reported that all information on the local plan for the next 5 years is accessible via libraries, on-line and public consultations. In 2016 there was a need locally for more houses but with the 5 year land supply and allocated sites this has now been fulfilled.

4.11 Outwell Parish Council Web Site is updated monthly- it has been suggested that the WEB SITE itself needs up dating and Councillor Ms Sarah Arden is looking at ways this can be changed.

4.12 To consider agenda items for the next meeting 01.09.2021.

4.13 Date of next scheduled meeting – Tuesday 7th September, at Outwell Village Hall, 7pm.

4.16 With no other business to discuss the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.25pm.

Signed as true record of the meeting :-

..... **Chairman**