

# **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

**Written by Les Wood (Clerk)**

## **EAST TUDDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

The normal monthly meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

**Attendees:** Ian Payter (Chairperson), Lynsay Barrett ( Vice Chairperson), Janet Shrimpling, Alex Leaney, Anna-Marie High, Ted Guy, Charles Barker, Betty Wilson, Les Wood and 1 member of the public attended the meeting

- 1.** Apologies for Absence: No apologies were received
  
- 2.** The Chair welcomed the member of the public to the meeting, the member of the public Mr K Goodrum 2 Bull Close, who wished to discuss the proposed planning application regarding 1 The Retreat.

The chair proposed that because Mr Goodrum was attending meeting that the planning application was dealt with first and the members agreed to this. The plans were made available to the council members to discuss any issues. It was proposed that the members visit the site from the prospective of 2 Bull Close the members did visit the site concerned and the following items were raised by Mr Goodrum.

- The height of the proposed building in respect of the apex roof would be the same height as the property at 2 Bull Close.
- The property of 2 Bull Close is approximately 2 feet lower than the proposed building and therefore would be of greater height from this aspect.
- The proposed building would possibly affect the light in to the kitchen of 2 Bull Close due to its close proximity.
- The proposed plans state that the building would be shielded by the trees at 2 Bull Close, it was noted that the tree's have already been trimmed and that the owner of 1 The Retreat had no control over their permanence.
- The proposed building may be over the building line and this would have to be confirmed
- It was also noted that the proposed building could be sited elsewhere within the grounds of 1 The Retreat without affecting other residents.

The Chair thanked Mr Goodrum for bringing to Council's attention his concerns regarding the proposed building plans and that the council was sympathetic to his

concerns and it was agreed that the clerk would send the council's response to the planning section of Breckland District Council within the proposed time frame.

- 3.** Minutes of the previous meeting (6.6.11) the minutes were agreed as a true account of the meeting.

- 4.** Matters arising from the minutes:

The chair informed the council members that he had emailed the County Councillors regarding the new social housing properties and that the Parish council believed that the properties had been built too close to the road and beyond the building line, and that this could pose a health and safety issue for the residents of the new dwellings. The chair also stated that he had asked for further funding in light of the position of the properties but as yet he had not received a reply but he would chase this up again before the next meeting.

Wheelie Bin signs the chair confirmed that an estimate had been received to supply 30 laminated slow down in our village signs to draw to drivers attention to their speed and that because these signs would be on wheelie bins it may have more impact on drivers as they would only see them fortnightly. The cost of the signs was £112.20. the council members agreed that this was cost effective and the chair agreed that the council would see if any funding was forthcoming before committing Parish Council funds.

It was noted that the 30 mile an hour speed limit sign and other road markings had not yet been completed.

- 5.** Finance: the clerk confirmed that the auditor had returned the accounts and that at the time of the meeting the finances stood at £6,712.36
- 6.** Planning: no plans had been received however breach of condition 3PL/2009/007/0 Common Farm it the council noted that problems with EDF had been completed and that plans to demolish the old house would start within 2 weeks and a check by the planning enforcement officer would take place within 4 weeks.
- 7.** Training Feedback: the clerk confirmed that he attended the National Training strategy for Town and Parish Councils on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011 and that the training was both helpful and informative and that he had brought information booklets for the members who wished to borrow them.
- 8.** Correspondence: the Clerk confirmed that he had received the following:
  - Norfolk County Council Minerals Site Allocations Development Plan Consultation Document, the clerk confirmed two hard copies and one electronic copy was available to members who wished to view them.
  - Green Community Challenge 16<sup>th</sup> July 2011-07-21 Pride in Norfolk Awards information.
  - Dereham Community Action Group next meeting 27<sup>th</sup> July 2011
  - Meet your PCSO Paul Fostwick on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2011 at the Swan, Gressinghall
  - Invitation to become a trading standards consumer champion
  - Consultation on Introduction of a licensing scheme for houses in multiple occupation.

- A receipt from East Anglia's Childrens Hospices for the council donation of £20
  - Amendments to the parish ranger visit had been sent and acknowledged.
  - Crime figures for the parishes within the Dereham area had been received and no crimes had been noted for East Tuddenham
  - Naturefest 2011
  - Two letters had been received from Norfolk County Council and the battle for democracy regarding the proposed building of an incinerator at Kings Lynn.
9. AOB: it was noted that the cleaning of the bus shelter had not been completed and it was agreed that the clerk would find out the details of the contractor and would cancel the arrangement and that a council member would complete the works required. This was noted and agreed.

With the digital switch over coming nearer it was noted that information leaflets are available and the members agreed that these could be put into the Pump newsletter for those requiring the information this was noted and agreed.

It was highlighted that no meetings of the Home Watch had taken place, it was agreed that the clerk would contact the relevant authority and report back at the next meeting.

It was noted that at the fishing lakes someone had cut the entrance padlock and had attempted to steal a pump from the site.

**10. Date of the next meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> August 2011 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall**