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Minutes of Corpusty & Saxthorpe Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 13th March 2024 at 7:30pm, in Corpusty & Saxthorpe Village Centre.

Present Cllr Guy Hodgeson (Chair)
 Cllr Caroline Randell
 Cllr Stephen Fenny (Vice Chair)
 Cllr John Birchall
 Cllr Lesley Last
 Cllr Tony Barnett

4 members of the Public

2024/20 **To accept apologies for absence** – Cllr Waterson, Cllr Jones, Cllr Jacobs, County Cllr Steffan Aquarone. Apologies accepted

2024/21 **To receive declarations of interest for items on the agenda and receive applications for dispensation** - No interests declared or dispensations necessary

OPEN FORUM (as per Standing Order 3e Public participation will be for a maximum of 15 minutes)

A parishioner from Heydon Road mentioned that speeding on Heydon Road persists. Highways have advised the member that any speed control methods are down to the Parish Council. It was mentioned that children use this road and there are no footpaths. It was explained that speed control measures are a matter for the Highways Authority, not the PC, which is able only to make representations. The PC will approach Highways.

A parishioner mentioned that the invoice for the works done around the phone box did not go out to tender. (See item 25 (iii) below).

A parishioner mentioned that the speeding on Norwich Road between the shop and the bypass, is becoming a hazard.

District Councillor Andrew Brown mentioned that the obstruction to Adams Lane was not on the agenda and enquired about developments. Cllr Hodgson summarized recent history, to include the Highways Authority serving notice on the property owner to remove the obstruction, which has not been acted on. It is for the Highways Authority to remove the obstruction. This item is not on the agenda because no decisions have been required by the Council. Inaction on the part of the Highways Authority will be followed up.

2024/22 **To approve minutes of the meeting held on 10th January 2024** Minutes were approved, PROPOSED Cllr Fenny, SECONDED Cllr Randell, Cllr Barnett abstained

2024/23 **To note updates from Norfolk Constabulary, County Councillor, District Councillor and Village Hall Committee.** Cllr A Brown is still trying to get the Matlaske junction to be approved as a “STOP” junction instead of a “Give Way” junction. The Broadland Housing scheme is still being hampered by nutrient neutrality.

2 Parishioners left the meeting

2024/24 **Correspondence - none**

2024/25 **Finance**

- (i) To approve the monthly financial statement, bank reconciliation, cash book and budget. These were emailed to Cllrs on 3rd March 2024 – The VAT page of the spreadsheet will be updated when the VAT is to be claimed.

PROPOSED Cllr Birchall, SECONDED Cllr Fenny - ALL AGREED apart from Cllr Barnett.

- (ii) To approve the following retrospective payments & acknowledge receipts

PROPOSED Cllr Last, SECONDED Cllr Fenny ALL AGREED

Payments

10/01/2024	Cozens UK Ltd	Inv 8024	£216.00
25/01/2024	NPower	Street lights	£147.61
26/01/2024	Holt Youth Project	Donation	£515.00
29/01/2024	Countrystyle	Glass recycling	£12.00
29/01/2024	A Yacoubian	Clerk salary	£500.93
26/02/2024	Npower	Street lights	£158.99

- (iii) to approve the following payments

Jacobs & Gee Ltd. Area around telephone box & Bottle Bank £1,120.34 – This item will be held over as Cllr Jacobs was not present. Other Councillors explained that no quotations were obtained as it was not appreciated that a labour charge would be raised.

Norfolk garden & maintenance, grass cutting £400 per month, 2 visits, (same price as last year) March to October – ALL AGREED

Purchase of plants £18.00– riparian planting – ALL AGREED

- (iv) Receipts - none

2024/26 **To update on River Bure remedial works** – Representatives from the EA have inspected the works on the river and the planting and have suggested that it is sufficient to remediate the category 2 damage caused by the dredging. The posts will be cut down to the level of the deflectors. It was mentioned that the landowner of the left bank has been extremely co-operative and helpful with this whole process, to include providing wood for the deflectors and assisting with their installation. The Council wishes to thank him for his help and positive spirit in seeing these works through

1 parishioner left the meeting

2024/27 **Local history box project** – Repairs are to be made to the phone box, there will be a cost for materials. Photo's have been obtained to make a display. This will make a focal point of the village. Costing to be provided about reprinting a local history book.

2024/28 **To decide on course of action regarding signage & feasibility study (Highways)**- To be chased

2024/29 **To decide on course of action regarding tree felling and TPO's** - Cllr Birchall reported that until trees are in leaf, his ability to report is hampered. Item to be held over to the next meeting.

2024/30 Policies to be approved
Risk Management - ALL AGREED
Financial Risk Assessment - ALL AGREED
Asset Register – ALL AGREED
Co-option Policy – ALL AGREED
Graveyard Policy – To be signed only
PROPOSED Cllr Fenny & SECONDED Cllr Birchall ALL AGREED

2024/31 **Planning - RV/24/0322 - Corpusty and Saxthorpe - Thistledown Cottage, 51 Irmingland Road, Corpusty** – no comments

2024/32 **SAM II** – SAM II is positioned on Heydon Road and being rotated every 4 weeks. Please can you report to Cllr Jones if you notice it is not working. It was suggested to purchase a new battery.

Cllr Barnett left the meeting

2024/33 **Little London Allotments** – Cllr Last has a plan for the allotments, it would be an idea to get some quotes to remove the trees growing in allotment No2 and get more quotes to clear the rest of the area. It is proposed to apply for a Hornsea 3 grant to develop this site.

2024/34 **To decide on Bottle Bank donation to Friends of Corpusty Primary School, a registered charity no 1041265** – Clerk to write to advise.

2024/35 **Clerk Report** – Bank accounts, gov.uk domain, Clerk to investigate

2024/36 **To receive items for information** – caring for hedgehogs. Cllr Randell is making good progress in creating awareness for hedgehogs and other wild animals via the school. Letter received from Harrold regarding litter on Norwich Road on the laybys near St Peters Church, Cllr will liaise with Harrold regarding the hedges and the litter. Cllr A Brown suggested getting SERCO to do a litter collection. Clerk to chase

Saturday 6th April for a litter pick. Cllr Birchall is going to attend the meeting regarding Hornsea drilling under the river. Also an electricity supply to St Peters Church maybe viable for funding from the Hornsea funds, Clerk to ask Cllr Waterson

2024/37 To close the meeting and confirm date of next meeting 8th May 2024

2024/38 Meeting ended at 21.27 hrs

Signed..... Date.....