

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF CORPUSTY AND SAXTHORPE PARISH  
COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Cllr Waterson, Cllr Barnett, Cllr Brown, Cllr Buddle, Cllr Fenny, Cllr Oliver, Cllr G Hodgson and Cllr S Hodgson  
Melanie Eversfield (Clerk)  
Members of the public – 6  
County Cllr S Aquarone

**Open Forum**

At the commencement of the Open Forum a plaque showing community support through Covid-19 was presented to the Village by Deputy Lieutenant Thomas Courtauld. The plaque will be erected in the Village Hall.

A resident asked if anything could be done in relation to speeding out of the village towards Norwich. It was noted that this would be part of the feasibility study that NCC Highways will undertake.

Other residents asked what support there would be for Ukrainian refugees and also what plans there were for the Queen's Jubilee. It was noted that these would be discussed during the meeting.

**22/22. To consider accepting apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Jacobs.

**22/23. To record declarations of interest from members in any item to be discussed.**

None.

**22/24. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

The Council resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting, with minor amendment, as a true and accurate record. They were duly signed.

**22/25. To receive update from Steffan Aquarone, County Councillor.**

County Cllr Aquarone emailed a report prior to the meeting and a copy is attached to the official minutes. It was noted that Highways were happy to meet with the Parish Council to advise what the S106 money could be used for according to highway projects. The Clerk to organise.

Cllr Aquarone asked if the Parish Council would be interested in electric vehicle charging points in the Parish. Cllr Fenny would investigate options and bring findings back to the Parish Council for consideration.

A lengthy discussion took place in relation to the obstruction of restrictive byway No.4. It was noted that North Norfolk District Council would not pursue planning enforcement and therefore Cllr Aquarone has asked NCC to take enforcement action. The Parish Council agreed that if NCC has not given a reasonable resolution by 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022 then the Parish Council would serve a formal notice to NCC Highways. Cllr Brown requested that his vote against this decision be noted.

**To receive update from Andrew Brown, District Councillor.**

District Cllr Brown emailed a report prior to the meeting and a copy is attached to the official minutes. It was noted that new support signs for Post Office Lane and Holt Road have been actioned. The broken Thurning sign by St. Peter's will also be reported.

**To receive an update from Norfolk Constabulary**

Cllr Waterson stated that following the regular police report that is distributed it was noted that some parishioners do feel harassed. The Clerk to report this back to the Police. It must be minuted that the Parish Council feels very strongly that the PCC should act on all issues raised.

**22/26. Matters arising from previous minutes for information only -**

**Manor Farm Barns** – As per last meeting.

**Empty properties in the village** – It was noted that not much has happened since the last meeting but they are still live cases.

**Grant application for feasibility study** – It was noted that the Parish Council's percentage of the project has been received by NCC. It may take some time for the study to actually take place though. The Clerk to continue to chase this. It also to be chased up at the Highways meeting.

**Tree Survey** – It was noted that the Clerk is awaiting a date for the survey to be undertaken.

**22/27. Finances**

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**(a) To receive the current financial position**

The current financial position as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 was received and noted.

**(b) To approve payments to be made and made between meetings**

The list of payments made and to be made was attached to the agenda. The following payments were authorised / paid between meetings:

M Eversfield – Salary for February & March	£555.14
HMRC – PAYE for February & March	£138.80
M Eversfield – Website upgrade	£126.00
Countrystyle Recycling – Glass Recycling	£21.60
CGM Group – Grass Cutting	£77.18

**(c) To consider annual support service subscription for Town and Parish Councils**

After some discussion it was agreed to withdraw from any service for this year.

**(d) To approve donation of bottle bank income to the Graham Sinclair Fund**

It was agreed that the net amount of £400.00 should be made available to a charity of Mrs Sinclair's choice and that a safe mechanism of payment should be achieved.

**22/28. To consider supporting Ukrainian Refugees**

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council, as a body, is happy to support its parishioners welcoming refugees into the Parish. The Parish Council to also encourage the Village Hall Trustees to open the hall to house the refugees until they have been processed.

**22/29. To consider organising a village litter pick**

It was agreed that a litter pick would take place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April.

**22/30. To update on windfarm projects.**

The report from Duncan Baker MP had been distributed prior to the meeting. It was agreed to invite Duncan to the May meeting.

Cllr Barnett stated that he had attended the Equinor meeting at Aylsham Town Hall. He asked for a modelled projection of the number of vehicles they expect along the Blickling Road. Once he has received this he will distribute.

**22/31. To update on Highways issues and to consider the bypass traffic report.**

The Clerk to arrange a meeting with Highways as soon as possible. The Clerk to also chase Highways in relation to the footpath survey.

**22/32. To receive an update on the meeting with Broadland Housing Association Matters.**

It was noted that a meeting had taken place in relation to getting power to St. Peters'. BHA to be provided with the list of S106 aspirations from the Parish Council. It was noted that the application will most probably be heard at the development committee in April and District Cllr Brown would speak at the meeting. He asked Cllr Barnett to also speak at the meeting. The need to get the message across to the committee in regard to surface and drainage water is paramount. Cllr Brown stated that there had been a further response from the Lead Local Flood Authority on the planning portal.

A commissioned report from Rossi Long is awaited.

**22/33. To receive an update from the Village Hall Management Committee.**

It was agreed that Cllr Waterson and Cllr G Hodgson meet with the VH committee and report back to the council accordingly. Cllr Oliver to organise before Easter.

**22/34. To receive an update from the School Governors.**

It was noted that recent harassment in the village has been directed at the school.

**22/35. To discuss maintenance of the river on the common.**

The Clerk stated that she had submitted the order as per the last meeting and was waiting to hear of a start date from the contractor. It was noted that the National Trust at Blickling were upgrading the Bure and wondered if the works they proposed would affect what we wanted to do. Cllr Fenny to make enquiries.

**22/36. To discuss the Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

There was a lengthy discussion in relation to a beacon for the event. Cllr Fenny would make enquiries as to producing one from Baron which could be placed on the village green.

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Residents that were present at the meeting would put a poster on the noticeboards to see if the village would like a tea party or something similar to celebrate the event.

**22/37. To discuss fencing of the play area and common**

Following a lengthy discussion, it was agreed to replace the two broken posts and then erect a low-level line through the current posts as a deterrent. CGM grass contractors to also be asked to mow the play area more often.

**22/38. Planning –**

**To record planning decisions made between meetings –** The following applications were received between meetings:

PF/22/0384 – Lilac Cottage, The Street, Little London, Corpusty, NR11 6QA – No objection but wondered why the property now needs two separate front entrances?

PF/22/0078 – Valley Farm, Wood Dalling Road, Corpusty, NR11 6QW - The Parish Council object to this application on the following grounds:

- 1) The proposed development is outside the Development Boundary of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 2) The reuse of old barns is permitted but this would have to be for residential purposes not for holiday accommodation. The present structures are very unsound and would be difficult to reuse.
- 3) The type of holiday business proposed would be contrary to the Neighbourhood Plan
- 4) The buildings have not been used for agricultural purposes for several years and therefore this development could not be seen to be farm diversification.

PF/22/0006 – Horseshoe Corner, The Street, Corpusty, NR11 6QP – The Parish Council objects to this application as the building is of historic interest and believes that it could be modestly renovated rather than demolished.

PF/21/1990 – Land off Norwich Road, Corpusty, Norfolk – The Parish Council made several representations on the amended plans.

**To consider planning applications:**

Cllr Brown stated that the application for the poultry farm will hopefully go to planning committee. He will keep us updated.

**To receive decisions from North Norfolk District Council – None**

**22/39. To review and agree all Corpusty & Saxthorpe Parish Council Policies**

All policies were reviewed, updated where necessary, and agreed.

**22/40. Correspondence**

Norwich Western Link Project update – Noted

Norfolk Resilience Forum – Noted

Town and Parish Forum - Noted

**22/41. To receive items for information**

It was noted that there may be a need for an Extraordinary Meeting with regard to the Broadland Housing application.

**22/42. To receive items for the next agenda**

Annual Meeting of the Parish at 7pm – Invite Duncan Baker MP

Annual Meeting of the Council – 7.30pm

**22/43. To close meeting**

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 21:43

The next meeting will be 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

Signed .....

Dated .....