

TUDDENHAM ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Tuddenham St Mary Parish Council
Held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 21st July 2015 at 7.30pm

Councillors Present: Cllr A Long (AL) - Chairman, Cllr R Burt (RB) – Vice Chairman, Cllr V Foulger (VF), Cllr J Kendall (JK), Cllr S Cook (SC)

Present: Su Field – Interim Parish Clerk

Item		Action
21/07/1	<p>The Chairman welcomed everyone.</p> <p><u>Public Forum – LGA 1972, Section 100(1)</u> One member of the public in attendance.</p>	
21/07/2	<p><u>Accepted Apologies for absence – LGA 1972, Section 85(1) and (2):</u> Apologies received from Cllr Karen Soons and County Councillor Colin Noble.</p> <p><u>Absent:</u> None</p>	
21/07/3	<p><u>Declarations of Members' Interests (for items on the agenda) – LGA 2000 Part III:</u> None</p>	
21/07/4	<p><u>Minutes of the last meeting – LGA 1972, Schedule 12, para41(2):</u> <u>Resolved</u> The Minutes of the meeting of 16th June 2015 were adopted as a true statement and signed by Cllr Andrew Long.</p>	
21/07/5	<p><u>Councillor Vacancies</u> The relevant notice had been placed upon the village notice board and since no resident had expressed an interest to the Clerk in becoming a member of the Parish Council it was RESOLVED to co-opt Mr Mark Dunnett onto the Parish Council.</p> <p>The Clerk furnished Mr Dunnett with an acceptance of office form which was duly signed and a member's declaration of interest form which must be completed and returned to the District Council within 7 days.</p>	
21/07/6	<p><u>Local Authority Reports:</u></p> <p>i) <u>Mildenhall SNT</u> None received.</p> <p>ii) <u>Suffolk County Council</u> None received.</p> <p>iii) <u>Forest Heath District Council</u> The first public meeting re Mildenhall Base took place on Friday 10th July in Mildenhall in the Jubilee Centre. This is the first of what is hoped to be many meetings. There were approximately 60 members of the public in attendance. The main points emerging from the meeting were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Announcement from MOD in September• Council position is to ensure that under no circumstances is the site mothballed.• A11 study assessing the opportunities, barriers and risks for the Mildenhall site. The study will highlight the potential of RAF Mildenhall to deliver economic growth.• Deployment of the F35a at Lakenheath to commence in 2020.• Need to engage with local communities and businesses.	

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- Support the growth of West Mildenhall.
- It is a 12,400 acre site.
- Engage strong narrative.
- Be mindful of local issues.

The Local Plan Consultation is now moving forward. There are two documents, the Core Strategy Single Issue Review (SIR) and the Site Allocations Issues and Options Local Plan (SALP). The SIR considers two options for the level of housing to be provided within the District 2011 to 2013. The SALP allocates sites for homes, jobs and community facilities. A draft Infrastructure Delivery Plan has also been prepared and accompanies the SIR and SALP documents in the consultation.

The documents and comments received will go to the Planning Inspector in February 2016 where it will be decided whether the Plan is sound. It is hoped that adoption will be in August 2017. It is a very long process but the Council has to ensure that it is right for the District.

The consultation commences on 11th August and will run until 6th October 2015. This is an opportunity for everyone to make their comments.

RB confirmed that RAF Mildenhall will not be considered as part of the local plan consultation and the Base is not included in the core strategy – has not been included in the figures at all.

Devolution is very much at the forefront of the District's plans.

Meetings attended by RB as follows:

- Local Plan Working Group
- Development Control – at which a BBC reporter in attendance gave praise to the Committee for the way in which the business etc was conducted.
- Council
- Health and Safety
- Site Visits
- Judged Village of the Year across the District. West Row is going through to the next round.

21/07/15

Anglian Water Update

The Clerk has contacted Anglian Water as instructed.

The response received can be summarised as follows:

- Pumping Station – unfortunately the contractors pumped levels down too low which in turn caused the road to flood. A tanker came out immediately to clear this. Apologies for any inconvenience and unpleasantness this may have caused.
- Adamant that the pumping stations in Tuddenham and Herringswell are in no way connected – they are two entirely different systems. They also state that they have had no issues raised from any Herringswell resident. [Herringswell Parish Council is in constant communication with Anglian Water – the issue is still unresolved there. Officers at FHDC have now also stated that Herringswell's problems are "perceived".]
- Network Service Manager has been out to view the 'dip' outside the church but has stated that the reinstatement works are satisfactory and as such no further work is required.
- Water Recycling Technician has been out to investigate the broken/sunken cover near the village green. All manhole covers around the green have been checked and are all in good condition and not sunken.

Clerk to contact Mark Walsh to ascertain some out of hours numbers for distribution

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amongst the parish for when any further issue arises.

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Highway Matters:
VAS Sites Update

SCC Officer Hen Abbott has further surveyed the sites for the VAS and has reported back to the Clerk with the following:

She has revisited the Higham Road site and has suggested that the 30mph repeater be sited south of Old Hall Farm. Approaching from Higham there is a clear sign line to this sign and beyond. Moving the sign one telegraph pole south would make no difference, as motorists would see the northern repeater at the same time.

She has also looked at moving the location further south, toward the de-restrictions, but the road geometry there is quite bendy and she does not think that that point is a safe location. Ms Abbott has requested the Parish Council's views as to where the final siting point should be.

IT WAS AGREED to agree to her original proposals.

Clerk to convey the Parish's views.

Clerk

i)

Speed Reduction Program of Works SCC Survey Update

Instruct Cllr Noble to progress this issue and respond to the Parish by 15th September latest.

Clerk

ii)

40mph Buffer Zone Update

Instruct Cllr Noble to progress this issue and respond to the Parish by 15th September latest.

Clerk

21/07/9

Clerk's Report and Updates from Previous Meetings (for info only)

As reported under Anglian Water Update above.

21/07/10

Correspondence

The Clerk had received an email from Mr Pott requesting an update from the Parish Council. During discussions it was unanimously agreed that it was too early for the Parish Council to give a response.

It was noted that none of the Trustees were available at this time to meet with the Parish Council to "give their side". It was agreed that in the first instance the Parish Council must have a formal letter outlining the options available. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Pott formally to request such a letter clarifying in full detail the options.

It was unanimously agreed that this matter was something that the village as a whole must be afforded the opportunity to vote on.

It was also agreed that Cllr Noble be written to endeavour to elicit the proposals from the County Council in relation to the site. AL agreed to draft this correspondence for the Clerk to forward to Cllr Noble.

Clerk

AL/
Clerk

21/07/11

Update on Community Groups

Talk on the Poor of the Parish – 40 people attended.

Talk about Bury Cathedral next week.

Walking Group

Photography Group – They will be producing a new calendar this year containing local scenes.

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Lunch club – 33 people – went really well. Next one will take place on 18th August.

21/07/12 Planning Matters

None at present – there is one coming forward Longwood Farm.

21/07/13 Finance & Policies

i) Parish Council Bank Balances and Reconciliation from list of payments and receipts Resolved

That the bank balances and reconciliation of payments and receipts be received and adopted and initialled as such by the Chairman.

ii) Cheques for Signing and Approval Resolved

It was agreed to approve the payments of the following outstanding invoices and the cheques were approved and signed by Cllr A Long and Cllr R Burt.

OST Technology	Speed Gun Calibration	837	£117.60
Mrs S Field	Wages & Expenses (July)	838	£150.11
Mrs V Bright	KIT hours and expenses	839	£12.66

21/07/14 Councillors' Reports

Village Hall Committee Update

Covered under Correspondence received above.

21/07/16 Parish Matters

Speed Watch has taken place twice and the registration numbers of 15 cars have been taken. These motorists will be written to.

Further to the last meeting when Cavenham's request had been minuted, AL has spoken to Cavenham concerning the sharing of the speed gun. Discussion concerning whether the gun was insured, if untrained people were to use it would that invalidate any insurance? What would the situation be if the gun were damaged whilst at Cavenham?

It was agreed that in the first instance a check needs to be made as to whether it is insured – it is noted on the asset register so possibly is but confirmation is required.

It was agreed that when some Cavenham residents have been trained in its use the request will be considered again.

21/07/17 Items for Next Meeting (15th September 2015)

Grass cutting tender exercise.

21/07/18 Any Other Business

RB – The village Christmas tree. It was agreed that this is now dead and will be removed from the Green. It was agreed that the best option is to plant a real rooted tree and JK kindly offered to pay for the tree and plant it. The live tree will be in the same location to enable the lights to be affixed (electricity supply).

RB – The Parish Council do not appear to have heard from the Lord of the Manor (Owen Wilson) for quite some time. It was agreed that the Clerk would send him the last few sets of Minutes.

Clerk

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Cllr Dunnnett raised the issue of the community that seems to be growing near Barton Mills. RB confirmed that this is being investigated by both Enforcement Officers from FHDC and the RSPCA as there are quite a few horses/ponies there.

Meeting ended at 8.40pm

Signed:Rona Burt.....
Vice Chairman, Tuddenham Parish Council

15th September 2015