



## Meeting of the Parish Council

### Minutes

6<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 7.30pm

Burgh St Peter Village Hall

**PRESENT:** Cllrs A. Godsave, K. Kennedy-Hill, Dr P. Harrison, and M. Tansley.

**Also in Attendance:** Tina Newby (Clerk).

**Members of the public attending:** District Councillor Evans 16 members of the public.

1. **Welcome:**
2. **Apologies** – Cllr Wright apologies were recorded.
3. **Declarations – Pecuniary and Other:** None recorded
4. **Minutes** – Confirmation and signing of Minutes of the Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 and matters arising from these Minutes. **RESOLVED: To approve the minutes 4/9/24, proposed by Cllr Harrison and seconded by Cllr Godsave. Unanimously agreed.**
  - a. To discuss the issue with Aldeby PC Facebook account. The Clerk reported that she has asked other parish/town councils, and a Facebook Page is the correct way to go. Close agenda item.
  - b. To receive an update on the footpaths: Gavin is still walking them. He has reported a massive uplift in muntjacs.
  - c. To receive an update on the bird and bat boxes: Ongoing.
  - d. To receive an update on the outstanding poppies order [Paul Sharman] and potential modifications to the interpretive panel in the Millenium Garden: The poppies and stakes have been picked up. The Parish Council will wait until the ground is wet enough to replace the wooden stakes with the metal ones. The modifications were discussed and agreed. **RESOLVED: To approve the costs of £400 + £65 + £100 for powder coating.**
  - e. Consultation of the 30-mph speed limit for Beccles Road and St Marys Road. This is still ongoing. There are problems still with white lorries. The whole process could take 3 years. **Action Clerk** to contact Barry Stone and get an update.
5. **Adjournment** – Standing orders will be suspended to allow public participation, 3 minutes per person, for items to be discussed for information only.
6. **Reports received from County and District Councillors.**  
Resume Standing Orders.
7. **Planning:**
  - a. To discuss any other Enforcement issues: none.
  - b. To receive an update if any for the Landfill site: none.
  - c. Any new applications that have been received in time for discussion at the meeting: none.
  - d. [2023/3557 | Construction of a reservoir and removal of excavated material offsite | Land East Of Elms Road Aldeby Norfolk](#)  
Amended Plans – reduction in reservoir size  
Suspend Standing Orders:

This was discussed before item 4 on the agenda, giving time for the public to speak.

**RESOLVED: To unanimously recommend Objection.**

The following is the comments sent to SNC, planning  
Recommend Objection for the following reasons:

Although the amended planning application represents a reduction in size of the reservoir, all the Parish Council's existing comments and reasons for Objection to the original application still stand.

- The revised proposal refers incorrectly, twice, to Woodland Lodge instead of Waveney Lodge in relation to proximity to the site: this needs to be corrected.
- NCC have now classified this proposed project as a mineral development, and therefore it is no longer a reservoir but a quarry.
- The size of the rural roads and the weight restrictions for some of those roads are the same as before. The heavy lorries will be a safety risk, and we see no evidence of a traffic management plan. The junction between Elms Road and Holloway Hill is particularly dangerous, and the turning into Holloway Hill from the A143 is insufficient for large, heavy lorries.
- Damage to the roads will inevitably occur - who will pay for the repairs?
- There are noise (up to 55 decibels) and vibration concerns for the residents and properties nearby.
- Working 6 days a week, starting at 7am, means very long hours of noise and disruption with no respite for many years for local residents.
- Toxic dust particles arising from the work are hazardous to human health, to those living within 100m of the excavation site.
- The tourism and local economy in the area has already been affected.
- The Environment Agency's sampling has shown that the water in the River Waveney, from which the Applicant intends to draw to fill the reservoir, to be contaminated which will be harmful to human health and wildlife if used for irrigation.
- When the applicant first started excavating, the noise and dust travelled to nearby villages.
- The Wildlife and Countryside Act states it is unlawful to disturb the habitat of the nesting buzzards and other birds of prey in the immediate environment of the proposed reservoir/quarry.
- NCC Minerals policy states that sand and gravel supplies in Norfolk are already in excess of what is needed.

Resume Standing Orders.

e. General planning updates and enquiries: none.

f. Planning applications between meetings:

[2024/3198 | Retrospective planning application for the erection of replacement barn | Land East Of Lily Lane, West Of Pond Lily Lane Aldeby Norfolk](#). Recommend Approval but highlight the fact that there was never a barn there. **RESOLVED: To recommend approval, with the above comments. Proposed by Cllr Harrison and seconded by Cllr Godsave. Unanimously agreed.**

**8. Highways** – No new issues at the time of the agenda being published.

- a. To receive an update on the continuing problems with Beccles Road. This has already been discussed in item 4.
- b. To discuss the SAM2 operation, timescales, locations and the management of the SAM2: The direction and battery was changed. The next location is Haul Road. The battery appears to be lasting longer than 2 weeks. The rota will be revised in the new year, changing the battery monthly.

**9. Parish Land – Discuss and agree any actions:**

- a. Hedges in Common Road, difficulty accessing some to trim: This is planned for the end of November. **Action Cllr Tansley** to ask B Gooderham if it is possible to trim back The Cut.

**10. Finance –**

- a. To discuss the draft budget for 2025-2026: noted.
- b. To note balances of all accounts and receive bank accounts update: noted.
- c. Payments for Approval.

**Aldeby Parish Council**  
**Payments 6th November 2024**

Payable too	Description	Cashbook Ref	
Payments between meetings:			
Mr E Simmons	Maintenance	Bacs	343.16
D J Wrighting	Grass Cutting	Bacs	1,269.74
HMRC	Tax	Bacs	196.47
BSP Village Hall	Hall Hire	Bacs	22.50
Tina Newby	Wages Sept	Bacs	301.70
Tina Newby	laptop and bundle	Bacs	367.95
HMRC	Tax	D/D	191.13
Tina Newby	Wages Oct	Bacs	285.95
Tina Newby	Wreath	Bacs	35.00
P Sharmen	Maintenance	Bacs	249.00
			<b>£3,262.60</b>

Pay award has been approved, and the backdated pay will be £97.65. Pay Scale £15.58ph.  
**RESOLVED: To approve the payments and back dated pay. Proposed by Cllr Harrison and seconded by Cllr Godsave. Unanimously agreed.** Back dated pay will be included in the November wages.

The Clerk provided an update on the Locality Grant which was going to be used to purchase a laptop. This was not part of their remit. District Cllr Evans has agreed to purchase a new plastic recyclable bench to replace one at the Millenium Walks.

**12. Parish Council – Discuss and agree any actions: None**

**13. Correspondence – to note**

- Common Road Chickens: The chickens were getting out of small holes in the fence. Mister Tansley and the chicken owner was catching them and putting them back. Apparently, the chickens fly back at night. The fence has now been repaired.
- Speeding on Rectory Road to Burgh St Peter: This is not in our control. The Parish Council has done everything we can to control speeding. We have placed a Speed Awareness Machine in two locations on that road.

**14. Any issues or information from the Councillors: Add item in January ‘Moles’.**

Meeting closed at 21.10.

**Date of next meeting:**

Future meetings: 2025  
8<sup>th</sup> January

5<sup>th</sup> March

7<sup>th</sup> May

2<sup>nd</sup> July

3<sup>rd</sup> September

5<sup>th</sup> November

The meeting closed at 8.51pm

**Date of next meeting: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025, 7.30pm.**