STOW BEDON & BRECKLES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Stow Bedon & Breckles Parish Council on Monday, 16 December 2013 at 7.30 p.m. in Caston Village Hall.

Present: Councillors: Phil Childs (Chairman), Paul Howe, Dawn Jessett, John Morfoot. Julian Gibson (Clerk)

- **Apologies for absence**. It was **resolved** to accept the reason for absence offered by Councillor Pilkington.
- **Declarations of interest**. None.
- **Dispensations.** None.
- 4 **Public participation session**. None.
- 5 **Minutes**. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 18 November 2013 were **confirmed** and **signed**.
- **6 Matters arising**. None.
- 7 **Correspondence**. The following correspondence was **received**:
 - 7.1 Norfolk Constabulary: *Parish/Ward Crime Statistics* 1-31 October 2013.
 - 7.2 Norfolk Age UK: *Appeal letter*.
 - 7.3 Forestry Commission: *Tree felling along the Peddars Way*.
 - 7.4 Came & Co: Your Parish Council Insurance Renewal The best Insurance is an Insurance Broker.
 - 7.5 Norfolk Citizens Advice Bureau: *Appeal*.
 - 7.6 Barclays Bank Plc: Community Account Statement 1-29 November 2013.
 - 7.7 Barclays Bank Plc: Active Saver Account Statement 1-29 November 2013.
 - 7.8 Mrs C Saville: Re: Planning Application reference 3PL/2013/0951/EU.
- Planning. 3PL/2013/1121/F: Breckles Farm Brookside off A1075. Application for 5 biomass heating packaged plant rooms. It was resolved that the Council had no objection, on the understanding that the fuel to be used was restricted to woodchip, and could not be extended to include poultry litter or other material which could cause a possible nuisance to neighbouring properties. The Council also noted that the Planning Statement prepared by Lumicity Limited said that they could find no history of previous planning applications for this site, when it had commented on application 3PL/2011/0549/F which was given permission in September 2011.
- **Casual Vacancies**. Councillors reported that a number of parishioners had been approached, but without success as yet. The Clerk was asked to keep including the item on future agendas.
- 10 Pingo Trail car park and lay-by. The Clerk had written to the Highways Engineer voicing the Council's concerns about the lay-out of this area, and his response was received. In this he declined to consider making any changes as there have been no personnel injury incidents in the last five years. It was agreed that the Clerk should approach County Councillor Ian Monson to try to obtain his support to get this design improved.
- **Bank Mandate**. It was **resolved** that Councillor Jessett should be appointed a signatory on the Council's accounts with Barclays Bank Plc to replace Mrs Tanner, and the necessary forms were completed.
- **Meetings**. A schedule of future Council Meetings was **agreed**.
- 13 Budget 2014/15. The Clerk presented his draft budget which was agreed.

- **Precept 2014/15**. It was agreed that the Precept for 2014/15 be set at £3,760, an increase of 3% in line with inflation.
- 15 Finance.
 - 15.1 **Clerk's salary**. It was **resolved** that cheques numbered 100628 & 100629 totalling £596.12 (salary for 1 October 2013 to 31 December 2013 including back pay: £487.64; Mileage Allowance Payment for 7 September 2013 to 8 December 2013: £108.48 of which £3.48 is the VAT element) to the Clerk and HM Revenue & Customs be signed. (*Local Government Act 1972 s. 112(2)*)
 - 15.2 **Subscriptions**. It was **resolved** that cheque number 100630 for £12.00 (£10.00 + £2.00 VAT) to Getmapping PLC be signed in payment of invoice no. POL-2013-33ub095, being the Parish Online Subscription Renewal for the period 12 December 2013 to 12 December 2014. (*Local Government Act 1972 s. 133*)
 - 15.3 **Monthly Financial Report**. The report for the month ending 30 November 2013 was received.
- 16 Matters for consideration at next meeting. Road names in the parish.
- Next meeting. The next meeting of the Parish Council, was confirmed as Monday, 20 January 2014, unless there is no urgent business to discuss, in which case it will be on Monday, 17 February 2014, both at 7.30 p.m. in Caston Village Hall.

Comirmed:	
Phil Childs, Chairman	

17 February 2014

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Scheduled future Meeting dates:

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Monday, 17 February 2014	Monday, 14 July 2014	Monday, 15 December 2014	
Monday, 17 March 2014	Monday, 18 August 2014*	Monday, 19 January 2015*	
Monday, 14 April 2014	Monday, 15 September 2014	Monday, 16 February 2015	
Monday, 12 May 2014	Monday, 20 October 2014	Monday, 16 March 2015	
Monday, 16 June 2014	Monday, 17 November 2014	-	