

Bredfield Parish Council

Minutes of the Bredfield Parish Council Meeting held on 27th September 2010 at St Andrews Church Room Bredfield at 7.00pm.

Meeting started at 7.00 pm.

Present

Councillors – Mr G Taylor, Mr P Tilley, Mr T Richardson, Ms A Henderson. Mr D Hepper, Mr A Miller

3 members of the public were in attendance.

1.0 Apologies received and reasons accepted by the Parish Council

1.0 Ms D Causier – family illness.

2.0 Confirm minutes of previous meeting.

2.1 The minutes for 26th July and 9th August 2010 were unanimously agreed and signed

3.0 Action Points from the meetings of the 26th July and 9th August 2010.

3.1 The clerk informed the Council that AP10/13 clerk's re-numeration, AP10/17 quotes for new notice-board, AP10/28 Mr Miller to circulate organisation list.

4.0 Matters for the Community Police Team

4.1 A speed report covering the period 30th July to 4 August had been received from the Community Team. Councillors expressed concern that over this period 400 vehicles exceeded 38 mph along Woodbridge Road, yet SCC considered this only worthy of monitoring once a year. The Police team had informed the clerk they would continue to carry out speed checks regularly. The clerk was asked to contact both the Community Team and the Portfolio Holder for Roads and Transport over this matter. **AP10/32.**

5.0 Report from the County / District Councillor

5.1 Cllr Bellfield commented on the financial position of Suffolk County Council (SCC) and discussed their "new" Strategic Direction. Cllr Bellfield also commented on the Scrutiny of the Planning Service at Suffolk Coastal District Council (SCDC). He was thanked for his input and support of the parishes in this matter. Cllr Richardson asked him if he could again ask SCDC when they would report back on the consultation over savings.

6.0 Parish Plan

6.1 Cllr Hepper felt that except for AP10/28 referred to above, the Council were up to date.

7.0 Finance

7.1 To accounts settled for a total of £123.75.

7.2 A cheque was received from Mr Bishop for £45 for surplus building materials.

7.3 The current balances were agreed and signed by the chair.

8.0 Councillors Course Report

8.1 Cllr Richardson reported in detail on the councillors' course he recently attended and provided a pack of "suggested quality improvements for BPC operations" for a councillors to consider. He also asked if such a pack could be provided to new councillors to which there was no objection made.

9.0 Correspondence

9.1 The clerk had received the following correspondence which he wished to bring to the Council's attention.

9.2 Green Farm caravan site application: The Caravan and Camping Club had after a substantial break of time finally announced that they rejecting the proposal for a touring site at Green Farm, Bredfield.

9.3 ACRE had supplied information about a new Environmental Action Fund that had been circulated to councillors.

9.4 Letheringham Parish Council had written to the clerk requesting if the Council would like to set up an action group on planning matters. The Council did not feel that this was within their remit already being heavily involved with SORR's and the recent Planning Scrutiny at SCDC. The chair requested that the clerk asked Letheringham what their concerns were and report back.

AP10/33.

9.5 The clerk read out and explained the function of the Local Strategic Partnership and offered the invitation of places at their next conference.

9.6 The clerk read out the detail of the Registration Service Review Consultation and asked if members had any individual views they made them known to SCC on-line.

9.7 Referendum on Local Precepts. The clerk advised the Council that he had completed the consultation on the government's proposals and had registered their disapproval that parishes should seek a referendum if they require to increase their precept.

9.8 Land Registry. The clerk has received a reminder from the Land Registry about the need to register the Council's holdings. Members of the current Council were not aware if its land is registered, so asked the clerk to ensure that it is **AP10/34.**

10.0 SORR's

10.1 Councillor Richardson highlighted SORR's contribution to the Scrutiny report of the Planning Service at SCDC and Cllr Bellfield's role in presenting the documents. SORR's report and presentation had previously been circulated to members along with Bredfield's own response.

11.0 Public Questions

11.1 Condition of the hedge 150 metres beyond The Robletts towards the A12. The hedge is starting to obscure traffic. Request to Suffolk Highways for action **AP10/35**.

12.0 Planning

12.1 SCDC Scrutiny of the Planning Service response to the committee by Mr P Ridley, Head of Planning SCDC was shown to the Council having previously been circulated electronically. The Council were extremely disappointed in the way in which Mr Ridley had responded to the Committee highlighting only those issues that could be answered negatively as not true / incorrect and burying the detail deep within the document. The clerk was asked to make it clear that the:

“The Council finds that the detail within the heart of the report does recognise some past failings, shortcomings and limitations of the system, it also seeks ways to move forward. However, the Council is unanimously dismayed by the tone and content of report's conclusion and recommendations”.

12.2 Emergency Planning: it was agreed to carry this item forward to a future agenda.

12.3 Village Development Limits: The clerk advised the Council that after further communication with SCDC the original LDF consultation had again been accepted by the planning authority, however they were the final arbiter to the exact development area recorded.

12.4 Review of properties on the historic building register. SCDC has asked for an update to any list. To the Council's knowledge there are no buildings at risk however the clerk was asked to contact Mrs A Pilgrim the village history recorder for her views **AP 10/36**.

12.5 Town Planning Forum: Another round of Town Planning meetings have been arranged by SCDC. The clerk asked if members would like to attend. Cllr Richardson and Cllr Miller said they would. The Clerk to arrange booking places **AP10/37**.

12.6 Planning Application C/10/1979 Erection of Warehouse at Yarmouth Road, Ufford. The clerk had been asked to write to the planning authority objecting to this proposal and had done so since the Council's last meeting **AP10/38**. This action was unanimously supported by members and the planning application has been withdrawn. Planning Application C/10/1162 had been refused by SCDC. Planning Application C/10/1820 had been passed by SCDC.

13.0 Highways Matters

13.1 Winter preparations. A list of sites for grit was requested by the areas highways office. The Council unanimously agreed not to add to the number of grit boxes to be serviced.

14.0 Any Other Matters Arising

14.1 None

15.0 Future Meeting Dates

15.1 29th November 2010 in the Church Room.

Meeting closed at 9.35 pm.