

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HORNINGTOFT PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT St. EDMUND'S  
CHURCH ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 AT 7.30 P.M.**

**Present:** Councillor A Hill (Chair)  
Councillor T Hawke  
Councillor I Baker  
Councillor P Chapman  
Councillor G Drew  
  
County Councillor M Kiddle Morris  
  
Clerk: Bryan Leigh  
  
Three parishioners.

**1. Apologies for absence.**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.**

There were no DPs.

**3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.**

Councillor Baker proposed and Councillor Hawke seconded the resolution that the minutes of the meeting on 11 September having been circulated be approved. All were in favour and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

**4. Public Participation.**

**4.1 County and District Councillor Reports.**

The County Councillor reported that the budget consultation will run from 9 November until 23 December. The Government has allowed local councils to increase the Council Tax by 2.99% and also by 3% for Adult Social services. There is no provision in the budget consultation for the 3% increase for Adult Social Services. Norfolk County Council has received nearly £9 million additional funding from the Government for pothole repairs. It is likely that the velocity machine will be used throughout the winter for repairs as it has been found that this will repair roads satisfactorily even in cold, wet weather. The Managing Director of Norfolk County Council is leaving and the Council will revert to a Cabinet system in May 2019. The Leader of the Council will be the Chair of the Cabinet and Executive Leader of the Council. This is new to Norfolk but has been implemented elsewhere. The Cabinet system is quicker for decisions to be made and decisions can be called in for scrutiny easier than with the Committee system which was unable to call in decisions except by the full Council.

**4.2 Public Participation.**

A parishioner thanked the Chairman for ringing the bell on Remembrance Day and for Councillor Chapman obtaining the "There but not there" silhouettes.

**5. Matters to Report.**

**5.1 Grit Bin**

The Chairman thanked the parishioner for providing the materials and assistance for laying a new base and thanked Councillor Drew for strengthening and straightening the grit bin. Councillor Chapman will see if there is still another shovel for the bin in her loft and Highways will be asked to replace the marker posts. The Clerk reported that he had contacted Norfolk County Council who had confirmed that the grit bin should be refilled in the near future.

**5.2 Defibrillator.**

The Clerk will be contacting the National Lottery in the next month to see if any progress had been made with the application.

### **5.3 Telephone Kiosk.**

The Clerk reported that he had contacted the Clerk to Brisley Parish Council who had confirmed that Brisley Parish Council is not intending to adopt the box at the end of School Road. It was agreed that Horningtoft Parish Council would not be requesting that it adopts the box

### **5.4 Norfolk County Council Budget Consultation.**

It was agreed that the Parish Council would not be responding but individuals could respond if they so desire.

### **5.5 Dates of Meetings for 2019.**

The dates were agreed as follows:-

#### **Parish Council Meetings**

January 15<sup>th</sup>

May 14<sup>th</sup>

September 10<sup>th</sup>

March 19<sup>th</sup>

July 9<sup>th</sup>

November 12<sup>th</sup>

#### **Annual Parish Council Meeting**

May 14<sup>th</sup>

#### **Annual Parish Meeting**

March 19<sup>th</sup>

## **6. Highways.**

### **6.1 Report.**

The Clerk had reported the restricted By-way sign on Brisley Road which is in the verge on Brisley road heading towards Whissonsett, the damaged 30 m.p.h. signs on Brisley Road and Whissonsett Road and the Horningtoft sign on B1146 north end of the village. These had not been repaired or cleared of vegetation and will be reported again. The Rangers had also been requested to clear the mud from Oxwick Road. The flooding on Oxwick Road outside Sycamore Cottage will be reported again so that the new Highways Engineer knows of the problem.

County Councillor M Kiddle Morris withdrew from the meeting.

## **7. Planning.**

### **7.1 Applications.**

There were no applications to consider.

### **7.2 Decisions.**

There were no decisions to report.

## **8. Correspondence.**

The following correspondence will be circulated.

**8.1 Clerks and Councils Direct November 2018.**

**8.2 Norfolk Boreas.**

## **9. Finance.**

### **9.1 Budget.**

Councillor Chapman proposed and Councillor Hawke seconded the resolution that the budget sheets which had been circulated be approved. All were in favour.

### **9.2 Balances and cheques for authorisation.**

Councillor Hawke proposed and Councillor Hill seconded the resolution that the balances and cheques for authorisation which had been circulated be approved. All were in favour.

#### **Balances :-**

#### **Business Saver Account.**

Balance at 23 06 18

2407.12

Interest	<u>1.20</u>
Balance at 23 06 18	2408.32

**Community Account**

Balance at 30 06 18	1379.08
Less   cheques authorised 10 07 18-99.54	
cheques authorised   11 09 18-537.34	<u>636.88</u>
	742.20
Plus    Breckland Precept-875.00	
Breckland Rate Support Grant-8.50	<u>883.50</u>
Balance at 30 09 18	1625.70
Less unpresented cheques authorised 11 09 18	<u>84.00</u>
Balance at 01 10 18	1541.70

Amount available for Section 137 : 128 x £7.57 =£968.96

Spend to Date : £00.00

Cheques for authorisation:

417	CGM	Grass cutting	64.80
-----	-----	---------------	-------

**9.3 Precept 2019/20.**

The draft had been circulated and a decision will be made in January.

**10. Matters for the next meeting.**

**10.1 Gates for the churchyard**

**10.2 Beams from the former shop to be used as a bench or other.**

**11. Date of next meeting.**

This was confirmed as Tuesday 15 January 2019 at 7.30p.m. in St. Edmund's Church.

The meeting closed at 2002.