



Minutes No:
2022/50

Necton Parish Council

Minutes Parish Council Meeting held

Monday 8th August 2022 at 7.30 pm held at Necton Rural Community Centre

Parish Councillors (8) present:

Councillors Jean Bass, Genine Curtis, Fraser Bateman, Alice Spain, Thirza Hicks, Joe Sisto, Annie Turner and Sue Catlin

Additional attendees:

Justine Luckhurst- Parish Clerk
Mark Kiddle- Morris- NCC Councillor
Nigel Wilkin – Breckland District Councillor
Members of the public - 3

Date: Monday 8th August 2022

Time: 7.30 pm

Place: Necton Rural Community Centre

1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Councillor Jennings.

2.To receive any declarations of interest from Members & consider requests for dispensation

Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Necton Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.

None received

3. To approve minutes of Council meeting of 11th July

Chair Bass proposed these were approved, seconded by Councillor Hicks and agreed unanimously.

4.Adjournment for public participation (10 mins)

This provides an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions about and comment on items on the agenda before the Council make decisions.

Nothing raised

5.Reports from:

Parish Clerk –

The Clerk read out her report which is attached to the minute

Norfolk County Council, Cllr Mark Kiddle-Morris

The report is attached to the minutes

Breckland District Councillor, Cllr Nigel Wilkin

Councillor Wilkin provided some clarity in regards to recent complaints regarding grass cutting on the public spaces in Necton. Previously land owned by NCC was cut by contractors and managed by Breckland DC, alongside Breckland land. However, NCC made a decision that going forwards they would manage the grass cutting on their land themselves. This means that Serco (the contracted company) are cutting the Breckland owned land only. This is why some areas are cut whilst others are not at present. NCC will be making their own, separate arrangements for their grass cutting. Councillor Wilkin concluded his report by expressing his sorrow in regards to the recent fire in Ashill and wanted to pass on his thanks to all residents in Necton who reacted extremely quickly in providing items and donations to those in need.

Chair

On the 3rd August Councillors Curtis, Turner and Councillor Mark Kiddle - Morris and myself attended a meeting with Mark Ogden, flood and water management Norfolk County Council, and Chris Ray from Anglia Water. Mark showed us a map outlining their areas of concern, mainly School Road and down Chantry Lane.

Anglian Water will be in the village in the coming weeks to speak to residents in the most affected areas. They will need to establish the way the drains run and may in some instances ask residents permission to check their drainage connections.

The Parish Councillors covering the areas concerned - Councillors Curtis and Turner, will be visiting those residents who have experienced flooding to answer any questions they may have.

Once we have received the Anglia Water report a site visit will be arranged and those residents who left their phone numbers at the flood update meeting will be contacted with details.

Councillors

Nothing to report.

6. To approve Bills made, to be made and approve late payments as necessary: To receive financial update and monthly reconciliation for consideration.

See separate payments list

Proposed by Chair Bass, seconded by Councillor Spain and agreed unanimously.

7. To discuss and consider the leaflet drop for the Neighbourhood Plan consultation day by Councillors

The leaflet drop was agreed by all, noting Councillors Hicks and Turner on away on holiday when the leaflets are to be delivered – between 28th and 31st August. Chair Bass confirming she would make arrangements for the leaflets in their areas to be covered.

Leaflets are being delivered to Councillor Spain and arrangements for the collection of these from her will be made once they have arrived.

8. To discuss and consider the name change for the Marlpit with engagement from Necton residents to be considered

Councillor Bateman proposed that the Clerk included a few sentences in the Link insert confirming that the PC are looking to consider any suggestions to change the name of the Marlpit and that suggestions can be provided to the Clerk directly or at the Neighbourhood Consultation Day on 10th September. The closing date to receive any suggestions to be 31st October and the new name chosen at the January PC meeting. Noting already suggested names such as Jubilee Wood, Platinum Walk, Queen Elizabeth Wood to be provided as a steer that the recent jubilee is the theme. Seconded by Chair Bass and agreed unanimously.

9. To receive updates and consider next steps in regards to the Design Review Panel and Vattenfall

Councillor Fraser circulated a report to all Councillors prior to the meeting and all confirmed this had been received. The report stated

" On the 22nd of July Simon Wood of Breckland DC shared a draft version of the Terms of Reference issued by Vattenfall for the Independent Design Review and asked for our comments. Simon Wood and Peter Richards (Breckland Consultant) had already added their comments as the terms were too narrow and would restrict the ability of the IDR Panel to do what the Secretary of State had ordered, but in our opinion they did not go far enough. Carly added our additional points and this was sent back to Simon on the 27th July.

The date for the Independent Design Review had been pushed back from the original unrealistic date of 26th July to the 17th August. As the 26th July date was already in Carly Tinkler's and our diaries we used that day for a meeting to plan our strategy and escort Carly around selected viewpoints in Necton and Holme Hale. We are grateful to Andrew Scarlett of Holme Hale for gaining permission from land owners to visit land at Bradenham Hall and Hill Farm in Holme Hale. This has helped Carly understand the visual impact the project substations will have in the locality.

Also on the 26th July we became aware through a press release in the EDP that the substation design had been changed by Vattenfall and that there were now 3 large buildings rather than 4, along with changes to the shape and orientation.

<https://www.4coffshore.com/news/vattenfall-shrinks-onshore-infrastructure-for-norfolk-offshore-wind-farms-nid26018.html>

On the 3rd of August Vattenfall sent through the drawings of the new site layout and the "final" version the Terms of Reference, which not unexpectedly did not include everything we had asked for. However, the covering email did state that we could make any additional points in the written statement to the panel.

Carly has now completed the draft version of the written statement and it is currently being reviewed ready to submit to the panel by the deadline - 10th of August. We believe that it is a very thorough and professional document and will be given serious consideration by the IDR Panel

Councillor Spain also wanted to update Council that the consultant instructed, Carly Tinkler has proved to be extremely worthwhile. She has proved to be efficient, extremely knowledgeable and a vital asset in supporting Necton with this. Noting that she has brought skills and experience that Council does not have and has proved to be worth the cost for her services. Concluding that without her input Necton would not have been able to proceed with this.

10. To consider advertisement to be placed in Link magazine regarding the Necton in Bloom initiative and a call for volunteers

Councillor Catlin confirmed that if all goes to plan and Breckland approve our ideas there will be a lot of bulbs, and tubs to plant in the coming months. Noting this project may need the help and ongoing support from local residents. Therefore, an advert in Link magazine would be the ideal opportunity to see if residents would be interested in supporting. The Clerk

confirmed any cost for the advert would be met from the monies budgeted for this project. Councillor Catlin proposed the advert to be included in the next edition of Link magazine, seconded by Councillor Spain and agreed unanimously.

11. To consider the name for the development at the former primary school where 9 properties are to be built in a close

The developers have suggested naming the new development School Close and wanted the PC to consider this or suggest alternatives. Councillor Bateman proposed the suggested name was approved by Council, seconded by Councillor Spain and agreed unanimously. The Clerk to inform the developer that the PC supports their suggested name.

12. To consider endorsing Picnic in the Park.

Councillors Hicks, Catlin and Curtis are planning to run a picnic for school age children at the playing field on 16th August. Parents will be in attendance and initially this will be a low key affair to ascertain if there is an appetite for this kind of event in the future. Packed lunches will be provided to the children in attendance and the view is that if successful events could be held every school holiday. At present the PC does not need to support financially but the Councillors would like to inform attendees this is endorsed by the Parish Council. If successful the Councillors involved will, at a future meeting ask for this event to be a PC initiative and to consider future events and financial support. Councillor Spain proposed that the event is endorsed by the Parish Council, seconded by Chair Bass and agreed unanimously.

13. To approve the updated Emergency Plan and agree distribution

The Clerk confirmed the emergency Plan has been over viewed by Breckland and they have confirmed they are happy with the plan and now hold a copy on file. Councillor Bateman confirmed he had names and contacts of some local farmers with equipment who are happy to be named in the Plan. Councillor Bateman proposed the Plan (once these additional names are included) be approved and distributed to the relevant people. Seconded by Councillor Spain and agreed unanimously.

14. Planning matters – to note new planning applications and discuss.

REFERENCE	3PL/2022/0484/VAR
PROPOSAL	Variation of condition 2 on 3PL/2017/1449/D - To amend the design to the dwellings to the newly submitted drawing reference and discharge of conditions 3,4,5,6 & 7
LOCATION	Town Farm Cars, Chantry Lane
APPLICANT	Mr I Thompson

No objections

REFERENCE	3PL/2022/0346/D
PROPOSAL	Reserved Matters application for erection of 8No. Dwellings, (3 Bungalows and 5 Houses) following outline planning 3PL/2019/1015/O and discharge of conditions 6, 7, 8 and 11 on outline planning 3PL/2019/1015/O.
LOCATION	Former School Field
APPLICANT	Hall Contracts

No objections

REFERENCE	3PL/2022/0759/F
PROPOSAL	Single storey annexe for family member
LOCATION	35 Ketts Hill
APPLICANT	Mr Rodney Sturdivant

No objections

15. To continue discussions and consider community projects – Councillor Hicks

This agenda item was deferred to the September meeting in order to gather more information

16.Adjournment for public participation (5 mins)

This provides the opportunity for the public to raise awareness of an issue for discussion at the next Parish Council meeting

Nothing raised

17.To confirm date and time of the next Parish Council Meeting as Monday 12th September 2022 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed 8.30 pm