



OLD HUNSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chair: Nick Eastwell

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF OLD HUNSTANTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 19TH OF DECEMBER 2024 FROM 6.00PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs Nick Eastwell (NE), Jane Rimmer (JR), Steven Rimmer (SR), Mark Roberts (MR), Jonathan Barber (JB), Robert Markillie (RM), the Parish Clerk and 5 members of the public

1. WELCOME TO ALL FROM CHAIR

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION –

Thanks to Cllr Wallace and his brother for the work they have done this year on the village flower beds etc. Asked why the PC appear to always object or offer no observations on planning applications. NE advised that this has been previously raised by the same member of the public. The matter had previously been discussed with the Borough Council planning, who advised where the PC did not object, "No Observations" was the norm and research indicates the policy for other Parish Councils.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Cllrs Baisbrown, Wallace, Jamieson and de Winton

4. COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None

5. APPROVAL OF THE CIRCULATED MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON THE 21st of NOVEMBER - proposed JR, seconded JB and all in favour who attended.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:

- a. TRO parking update – The consultation ended with 35 in favour and 17 against. Those against were largely concerned about their own parking needs. The process is now moving forward, and it is hoped to be in place for Easter 25.
- b. Benefices – SR gave an update and with no full time vicar for the 8 parishes, the situation is "in vacancy", with some patrons doing their best but have no power of authority. The diocese will appoint a vicar and an assistant. Cllr de Winton has taken this on and he reflects everyone's frustrations, and the Brancaster School closure will not be until July if at all -Meeting at Brancaster Village Hall on the 30th of December. SR advised and it was agreed that this is not really a Parish Council matter.

7. Cllr de Winton – email received regarding the Planning Policy and Call in Process

8. Cllr Jamieson – as per email, appendix 1 on minutes

9. PLANNING

- a. To resolve any new Planning Application submissions or resolve any Planning Applications received after the compilation of this agenda:
24/02177/F: Householder: Proposed Alterations to Annex & Car Port. at 4 Wodehouse Road Old Hunstanton Norfolk PE36 6JD – **APPLICATION WITHDRAWN**
- b. Decisions. FOR INFORMATION ONLY –
24/00601/DISC_B|DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 6 FROM PLANNING PERMISSION 24/00601/F - Construction of a 2 storey detached dwelling with rooms in the roof space and detached garage and store with rooms above involving the demolition of existing dwelling. | Wish Cottage 14 Golf Course Road Old Hunstanton Norfolk PE36 6JG
Discharge of Condition final letter
24/00143/F PROPOSAL: VARIATION OF CONDITIONS 1 AND 4 OF PLANNING PERMISSION 23/00598/F: Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling LOCATION: White Cottage 19 Wodehouse Road Old Hunstanton - Planning Committee Decision to refuse. Discussion on the planning committee meeting with members of the public and councillors/clerk attending online. Now with enforcement.
- c. No appeals.
- d. Enforcements: FOR INFORMATION ONLY –
23/00664/NIA | Alleged Not in accordance with approved plans. | White Cottage 19 Wodehouse Road Old Hunstanton – Pending Consideration.

10. COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. Clerks Report – Going through the precept information from the Borough Council just received. Precepts for 25/26 to be in by 31st January 25.
Lots of reports doing the rounds regarding the proposed devolution of district councils, joint mayor for Norfolk and Suffolk. Lack of definitive information regarding our Borough Council and any changes to parish councils involvement.
CIL application needs to be returned by the end of January 25 – agreed RM obtains a quote for the replacement items in the play area. ACTION: RM
Received a number of calls regarding the recycling centre bookings and lack of information so clerk has put an information sheet together for the website and noticeboard. The Governments EC04 scheme to help homes with an EPC rating of D or lower obtain funding for insulation runs out in March 25 and clerk has put together details for the website and noticeboard.
- b. Village Items – thanks to Cllr Wallace and his brother for the work they undertake in the village. Bin by the bus stop not being emptied – clerk to report.
- c. Clerk confirmed that the CPR/defib training to take place on the 8th of Feb 25 at the Village Hall from 2pm to 4pm. Numbers limited to 15 and free! Contact clerk to book a place. ACTION: ALL

11. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

SAM2 unit(s) –JB was thanked for taking on the units. He has taken both the units down and taken them to Westcotec at Dereham for solar panels and a replacement battery was required. One of the locations is partly covered by overgrowth and owner to be asked to cut it back. The Village Hall Committee asked to approve the storage of 2 batteries only with no charging taking place. Data expected in the next quarter. The next highways project would be a crossing from the playground to the Lodge.

12. SAXON SHORE FORUM: The next meeting at Thornham PC on the 22nd of January 25 and MR will attend.

13. PLAYGROUND: RM advised the entrance gate has been repaired and the bird protectors have been purchased ready for installation.

14. FINANCES:

- a. The bank statements, bank reconciliation and payments/receipts report for November 24 - were approved - proposed NE seconded MR and all in favour. £34,545.61 held in the bank accounts to 30.11.24 with increase due to Community Infrastructure Levy recently received of £13k.
- b. To agree payments for December (to date) proposed NE, seconded JR, and all in favour.
- c. To discuss the first/second draft of the 25/26 budget – it was agreed to increase the precept by 15% to help towards the cost of next Highways project etc. Proposed NE, seconded SR and all in favour.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

- TRO update

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 20th of February 2025, from 6.00pm at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 19.13 and the Chair thanked all for their attendance, wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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DECEMBER PAYMENTS (to date)

Name	Reason	Amount £
C Boyden	Salary	306.76
HMRC	PAYE	204.40
C Boyden	Expenses	41.30
Village Hall	Room Hire	20.00
Zurich Insurance	Annual Insurance	495.30
Westcotec	SAM Battery	100.80

Signature

Date