

Minutes of the Meeting of Kenninghall Parish Council
held on 4th November 2014 in the upstairs room at the White Horse Public
House

Present:

Mr S Gordon (Chairman)
Mr D Last
Mr N Groves
Mrs M John

Mr N Styles
Mr E Wood
Mr D Brown

In attendance Mr B Taylor, Mr M Sharland and Mr P Kay - Village Hall Committee and Mrs M Chapman Allan prospective District Councillor and 1 member of the public

1. **Apologies:**

Apologies received from Mr M Halmshaw and Mrs E Dennis

2. **Minutes of last meeting:**

Minutes of the Meeting of the 7th October and 28th October 2014 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. **Matters arising:**

a) **Neighbourhood Development Forum**

The Application had been sent today to Breckland Council to become a Neighbourhood Forum.

b) **Roads**

The Chairman reported that he wrote after the last meeting to Norfolk County Council. No response has been received. In respect of whether there are any new issues, Mr Last said there was a lot of mud on the road. A lorry has been in the ditch near Upwell Farm and the side of the road needs repair. The Chairman said he had a telephone call from the Chairman of North Lopham Parish Council about the amount of heavy goods traffic going through North Lopham and their action to put up signs warning of weight restrictions through the village.

c) **Village Hall Sites**

There was discussion as to whether the new Trust should be entered into at this moment in time. The Village Hall Committee are discussing going down a different route with the Charity Commission and it was agreed that the Village Hall Committee would come back to the Parish Council when the decision had been made by them. It was noted that the developer is trying to get the Build Program back on course. When the first two properties have been sold, funds will be used to build the Village Hall. In the meantime, it is hoped that they would be putting the footings of the new hall in soon. New steelwork drawings are required as there has been an error with the steel calculations. The new rubbish and dog waste bins are working well.

d) Co-option of councillor

There had been 3 expressions of interest but 2 had backed out which only left an application by Mr Brian Taylor. He formally introduced himself and said a little bit about himself and as a result it was proposed by Mrs John and seconded by Mr Styles and carried unanimously that he be co-opted as a new Councillor.

4. Planning matters:

- a) The Clerk reported that Mr and Mrs Jackson had been given planning permission and listed building consent at Woodwell Furlong East Church Street for a rear kitchen extension.

Mr Worbey had been given permission at Iroko Lodge West Church Street for conversion of existing garage to create an independent annexe for Iroko Lodge.

- b) The Clerk reported the letter of the 15th October from Breckland about Major Developments in Kenninghall, this was the response to the letter the Clerk had written to the Chief Executive.
- c) The Clerk reported the letter from Breckland Council in respect of the Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation between the 17th November 2014 and 9th January 2015.
- d) The Chairman raised the question of the Environmental Statements sent out in respect of the Crown Milling CLUED. He felt that it did not deal with issues raised previously by the Parish Council and where it did, these matters had been insufficiently dealt with. He felt that it lacked that no one had done an air quality assessment of the air in Kenninghall. He proposed that the District Council be required to carry out air quality assessments. He proposed he would write an objection as agreed at the last meeting together with observations on the environmental statement and request an air quality assessment and this was agreed.
- e) Concerns were expressed in respect of the planning inspector's decision on 3 appeals, particularly in view of his lack of enquiry into missing information. However, the Parish Council had decided not to proceed with a statutory appeal but instead to lodge a complaint with the Planning Inspectorate about the shortcomings of the report and the imperfect manner in which the inspector had carried out his enquiry.

5. Financial matters:

- a) The Chairman proposed that £35 be given to the Royal British Legion for the annual Memorial Day wreath. This was seconded by Mrs John and carried unanimously.
- b) The Clerk reported that the VAT refund had been received. The Village Hall Committee requested that there be an £8,500.00 contribution from the Parish Council for additional photo voltaic at the new Village Hall site. It was proposed by Mr Wood and seconded by Mr Styles and carried unanimously.

- c) It was agreed to put the Precept Requirements on the Agenda for the next meeting.
- d) The Clerk reported that the audit had been completed and the comments of the Auditors Mazars reported.
- e) The Clerk's salary and tax were due and it was proposed by Mrs John and seconded by Mr Groves and carried unanimously that the Clerk be paid.

6. Correspondence:

The Clerk reported a letter from Breckland Council in respect of Recycling.

7. Any Other Business:

- a) It was agreed to put Declarations of Interest as a matter arising in the next agenda.
- b) The next meeting was arranged for the 2nd December 2014 at 7:30pm at the Kenninghall School.