Swainsthorpe Parish Council Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 12 August 2020 at 7.30pm via zoom

In Attendance: Cllr P Webster, Cllr G Frost, Cllr J Casey, Cllr N Craft

Also present: Parish Clerk Nicola Ledain, 1 member of the public, District Cllr Florence Ellis and County Cllr Colin Foulger

1. To consider apologies for absence

1.1 The Chairman announced that Yvonne Folkard had submitted her resignation since the last meeting. The Chairman thanked her for all her hard work for the Parish Council and wished her all the best for the future and a speedy recovery after her forthcoming surgery.

2. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda

2.1 There were no declarations declared.

3. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2020

3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 11 March 2020 were agreed by the Council.

4. Public Open Forum including reports from District and County Councillors

- 4.1 Cllr Colin Foulger reported that meetings were taken place at County Council via an online platform Microsoft teams. It was a new way of working that everyone was getting used too.
- 4.2 Cllr Florence Ellis reported that with regards to the Waveney Mushroom issue, she had spoken to an officer who had informed her that there had been broken machinery and the repairer was closed due to Covid. The issue was hoped to be resolved soon.

5. Police Report

5.1 The latest police report was **NOTED**. The issue regarding the motorcyclists on Hickling Lane had been resolved.

6. Planning

- 6a There had been no new planning applications to consider.
- The Chairman updated the Council with an update on the Malthouse Farm planning application. The Chairman was in contact with the planning officers at South Norfolk.
- The Chairman updated the Council with an update on the proposed Ben Burgess headquarters. It was proposed that the plans would be consulted at the Development Management Committee before the end of the year. More information was still awaiting on the website.

7. Equinor New Energy Limited – Sheringham and Dudgeon Extension Projects

7.1 It was agreed that a response would be circulated by email and submitted by the Clerk.

8. Western Link Access Consultation

8.1 The Council agreed that a response would be submitted stating that there was information lacking from the consultation regarding mitigation.

9. Sign for Village or Village Gates

9.1 The Parish Council can apply for funding for village gates through the Norfolk County Council parish partnership scheme which opens. The Clerk would speak to the Highway Engineer.

10. To consider the update regarding the village defibrillator

10.1 The Chairman reported that due to Covid-19, the works party had not materialised. It was hoped that this could now continue.

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11. Update on Parish Partnership Scheme

The Clerk updated the Council that they had been successful in their bid for 50% of the cost of a SAM2 machine for the Village. The Clerk would purchase on behalf of the Council.

12. Adopter Payment for Mini Recycling Centre 2020/2021

12.1 The Council agreed to the mini recycling centre agreement for 2020/2021.

13. Finances

- 13a The financial report was received.
- 13bi. The Council exempted themselves from external audit and authorized the Clerk and Chairman to sign the exemption certificate.

The Council APPROVED the statements of accounts.

13c The following payments were agreed and signed;

Chq no	Amount	Payee	Notes
100735	£828.05	Nicola Ledain	Clerk salary for Apr - August
100736	£60.84	Norfolk Alc	Subscription fee
100737	£24.59	TT Jones	Invoice 11855
100738	£500	Brian Lincoln	Church grass cutting

14. Any Other Business

Some of the highway signs needed cleaning and / or repairing. Councillors would send locations to the clerk who would then report them.

15. To receive items for the next agenda

Co-option of new Councillors

16. To confirm the date of the next meeting

The date of the next meeting was noted as 16th September 2020.

Meeting finished at 8.30pm

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