CAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 19 SEPTEMBER 2019
DRAFT MINUTES

At the meeting of the Cawston Parish Council held at the Village Hall, High Street, Cawston on Thursday 19 September 2019, the following members were present:

B. Schuil – Chairman
J. Buttifant, T. Durrant, A. Hellewell, J. Livingstone, C. Monk, P. Soanes, S. Spencer

In Attendance
One member of the public; L. Mills (Clerk of the Council)

101/070 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Apologies for absence were received from T. Carman, S. Court, G. Sinclair and Co. and Dist. Cllr G. Peck

101/071 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION
None

101/072 MINUTES
The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 18 July 2019 having been circulated to all members, were confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

101/073 MATTERS ARISING NOT LISTED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA
None

101/074 ADJOURNMENT TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK
The member of the public said that he supported the idea of a trod down the side of Sygate.
He also confirmed he is now in a position to replace the bench on the playing field (see previously.) The Council AGREED to his request, and they thanked him.

101/075 COUNTY and DISTRICT COUNCILLOR’S REPORT
None

101/076 FINANCE
ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: T. Durrant having checked the invoices against the payments it was RESOLVED that payment of the following accounts totalling £6786.42 be approved and the necessary cheques signed by two authorised members.

Craig Holmes Builders, slide repairs, £695.00
Garden Guardian Ltd, grounds maintenance, £663.09
Attlebridge Concrete, cemetery pillar capstones, £1976.00
Information Commissioner, annual registration, £35.00
URM(UK)Ltd, recycling, £10.50
Garden Guardian Ltd, grounds maintenance, £663.09
E.On, street lighting electricity, £105.81
TTJones Electrical, street lighting maintenance, £33.17
Broadland District Council, bin emptying, £546.00
Bounceroo Events, Marquee hire GMBShow, £453.50
Cawston Village Hall, hall hire (Champions evening), £16.00
Cawston Village Hall, donation GMBShow, £150.00
PKF Littlejohn, annual audit, £200.00
Administration, £1239.26
PLANNING

(i) APPLICATIONS:
   20191311, Perry Lane Farm, Perrys Lane, NR10 4HJ, Extension to form sunroom: NO OBJECTION

   20191350, Wood Farm Cottage, Brandiston Road, NR10 4ES, Rear extension: NO OBJECTION

   The Clerk to inform Broadland District Council of the Council’s views.

(ii) WINDFARMS:
   C. Monk updated the meeting: The Sec of State (Andrea Leadsom) decision re Hornsea 3 is due on 2nd Oct. This will also be the first chance we get to see the Planning Inspectors report and recommendations. This would be delayed if a Gen Election is called.
   Norfolk Vanguard decision is due in December.
   Norfolk Boreas is now with the Planning Inspectorate; I have registered the PC as an Interested Party. Several residents have also registered individually. We are waiting for the Preliminary Hearing details to be announced.
   We have had no further contact from the developers about any revised plans, I have chased for results of the parking surveys but they aren’t available yet. I have been meeting with representatives from other parishes to come up with a coordinated response to the SoS decision on 2/10, together with submissions to PINS on Boreas. George Freeman MP has been trying to get a meeting with Andrea Leadsom to push our concerns and argue the case for the Offshore Ring Main; I spoke to Greg Peck last week and he has also been trying to get to her.
   Recent events including the Grid outage in August and news reports about the use of SF6 gas and National Grid making experienced staff redundant have focussed attention on this subject. Last week reports in the EDP show that the ORM is being looked at by NG though they say it is too late for these projects. We would dispute that!!

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Cemetery: pillar works are now complete. Along with his wife the chair has cleared all extraneous shoots etc in that area.
Playing Field: the tree overhanging the toddlers’ area had lost another branch which he had cleared. Clerk to contact tree surgeon to ascertain the position. If he is advised it is unsafe he is to close the area and install fencing.
The hedge on the field is to be cut next week.
SAM2 has been moved as per regulations. Unfortunately the rackets outside no 37 Norwich Road have been stolen so SAM2 not being placed there. Mr Soanes aherd the latest downloaded data with councillors.

CLERK’S REPORT

Annual audit has been confirmed as satisfactory.
Streetscene inspectors will visit in October.
Citizens Advice Bureau request for a donation: refused.
BRIDGE ON THE B1145

The Chairman had met with Co Cllr Peck and a concerned resident. Mr Peck will be seeing the Head of Highways with a request that the Highway Engineer holds an onsite meeting to discuss the concerns. It was AGREED that the Clerk should send a list of reported concerns to the Highway Engineer as follows:
1. The sign that informs you the new conditions on the bridge that goes out of Cawston cannot be seen until you are virtually past it as it is hid up behind the hedge.
2. We believe the sign on the other side of the bridge is also wrongly sited as you approach this from a blind corner, it should be before the corner / bend.
3. Whether this sign on the Reepham side is, why are there no markings on the road to halt traffic as there is on all other priority schemes in the County?
4. The deep ridges left on the sides of the new tarmac surface are a danger to all 2 wheeled vehicles, you drop off of the road over these ridges on 2 wheels and will be thrown off.
5. The layout of the new road coming from Reepham allows articulated vehicles to move over to their left, unfortunately when doing this the back end of the lorry stays on the other side of the road, any 2 wheeled vehicle coming from Cawston who have already crossed the bridge find their side of the road blocked by the back end of a lorry. This has already happened to a person in this Village, is why we are pointing it out.
6. There is an entrance to Marriotts Way on the Cawston side of the bridge which is well used. There is no notice to warn road users of the possibility of pedestrians on what is now a piece of road which has even faster traffic due to its new layout.
7. Why was no consideration given to a path for the residents of Glebe Crescent, at least before they had a strip of grass to walk on, now that has gone they have to walk on the road around a blind corner.

PLAYING FIELD MATTERS

COMMUNITY ORCHARD: deferred
RABBITS: situation will continue to be monitored

COMMUNITY CHAMPION

Deferred

PARISH PARTNERSHIP

AGREED to proceed with application for Village Gates
TROD: Clerk informed by Highway Engineer that he would not support a trod on Sygate due to cost

GROW MAKE AND BAKE SHOW

Mrs Spencer updated the meeting. The show over the weekend had been a great success. She also presented updated financial report. Although not the main objective the show also more than covered its costs.
The Council congratulated the GMBS show team on their success and thanked them for all their work.

TREES AT CEMETERY

Clerk to obtain advice of tree surgeon.
Also to press for quotes for updated survey for the parish.
101/086 PARISHIONERS’ CORRESPONDENCE

(i) Lorries on Chapel Street/High Street corner. Clerk will raise the matter with the Highways Engineer
(ii) Hedges and blind spots at corner of Norwich Road and High Street. To be referred to Streetscene Inspectors and Highway Engineer

101/087 ITEMS OF INFORMATION / FUTURE AGENDA

The Chairman said he had received complaints regarding lorries travelling up Chapel Street from Sygate. No action as they are not breaking the law.
He also said a complaint had been received regarding the untidy state of some of the kerbstones in the cemetery. These are the responsibility of the owner of the grave. Clerk will inspect.
Land between old scout hut and churchyard is very untidy with a lot of litter. This belongs to the church and the Clerk will contact the vicar.

Agenda:
Future format of Cawston Champion
Windfarms
Playing Field: Community orchard
Environment/climate change (Mr Livingstone to prepare discussion document)

101/088 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
Thursday 17 October 2019

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR THANKED EVERYONE FOR ATTENDING AND DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.32pm