

MINUTES of BRETENHAM AND KILVERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held by Zoom (due to Pandemic)
on 1 September at 1900

1. Attendance

The following were in attendance: Councillors Poulter, Engwell, Dawson, Bick, Wright and Hughes

Apologies were received and approved by the Chairman: Councillor Holmes-Stuart

Also in attendance: In attendance: Councillors Chapman-Allen and Kybird (BDC); Askew (NCC).

2. Any Declared Matters of Urgent Business There were none.

3. Any Declarations of Interest There were none.

4. Minutes of the Meeting These had been circulated previously, were agreed and will be duly signed by the Chairman once printed off.

5. Matters Arising There were none.

6. Financial Report

No Financial updates were reported since the last report on 28 July.

7. Internal Auditor

The Clerk reported that a new Internal Auditor would have to be appointed for next year, as Mrs Herries had performed her duty for the last time this year. Two suggested candidates: Helen Carrier and Robin Goreman have both been recommended by other clerks. Remuneration very similar, though Helen Carrier offers a fixed fee. To be considered by the PC at the next meeting.

8. Village Signs

The clerk reported that Fiona Davies had been recommended to her as a caring local artist who not only produced art work but had also was considered a specialist in Village signs. No other individuals had been identified who could carry out the work. The clerk requested suggestions for either individuals to undertake the work or funding of the work proposed. Clerk to investigate match funding from Breckland and Just Giving pages ideas.

9. Proposal to divert Byway Open to All Traffic (BOAT) No. 4

In the absence of the Shadwell Estate Manager, who was unavailable to attend the PC meeting, discussion on the proposal to re-route the BOAT to avoid unnecessary damage to agricultural land was postponed until next meeting.

10. Greater Thetford Partnership

11. The Chairman outlined the key strategic issues considered necessary to ensure the economic viability of the SUE programme:

- The need to upgrade Ely junction to maximise the excellent rail links from Norwich, via Thetford to the remainder of the UK.
- The need to upgrade the A11/A14 junction to allow traffic from Norfolk to proceed to Felixstowe and traffic from Felixstowe to move directly into Norfolk.
- The need to upgrade the 5 ways junction at Mildenhall to avoid the present impedance

of the traffic signals and roundabout at Mildenhall.

- The provision of new Primary Care facilities to support the growing SUE population as the present practices are too small and have no expansion room.

The PC noted the possible meeting about primary care in the area between the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Leader of BDC to consider the Primary Care issue.

The next GTP Board meeting on 8 Sep 20 to be attended by the Vice Chairman and Councillor Bick.

12. **Kilverstone Alms Houses**

It was reported that there were no Financial updates since the last report on 28 July.

13. **Peddars Way**

- a. **Bridge over Blackwater** The proposed repair of the bridge over the Little Ouse River from Knettishall into Norfolk had been postponed and the Clerk to contact Suffolk Highways to ascertain the intentions and report back to the PC at the next meeting.
- b. **Path restrictions** Norfolk Officers had informed the Chairman that the restrictions would be investigated and the owners asked to move the otter electric fence off the public path into their own property. The Clerk was asked to contact Norfolk Highways to ascertain progress and report back at the next meeting.

14. **Reports by Members**

- a. **Environmental and CPRE** Nothing to report.
- b. **Community Safety** Community Safety discussed including Anti-social behaviour among Euston, Knettishall and Rushford still continuing. Knettishall Heath considering speed humps, STAG and SNAP meetings now to be attended if possibly by Councillor Bick; contact to be made with Paula Gilluley to attend meetings.
- c. **Rural** A1066 and Thetford Bypass resurfacing discussed and the timetable, public notice and diversion to be placed on the PC web site.

15. **Correspondence for information**

16. **Dates for next meetings**

Next meeting to take place:

Tuesday 13 October 7.00pm (Full) via Zoom

The meeting finished at 19.30 hrs

Minutes agreed:

A M Poulter OBE
Chairman

Date: