

Present

Councillor M Oldfield (Chair)
Councillor C Mitchell
Councillor M Anderson
Councillor E Christie
Councillor R Fagence
Councillor C Lawrence
Councillor M Brookbank

County and District Councillor M Kiddle Morris

One member of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence.

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest.

There were no DPIs.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

Councillor Anderson proposed and Councillor Fagence seconded the resolution that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2019 having been circulated be approved. All were in favour and the minutes were duly signed.

4. Public Participation.

4.1 County and District Councillor Reports.

The County and District Councillor stated that he had nothing to report from either County or District. In answer to a question regarding the dualling of the A47 he informed the members that it appears that the Highways Agency are prevaricating on the dualling. It seems as though it does not wish to go ahead with it. The County Council is trying to obtain a further £200 million to be added to £300 million already allocated in 2015 but never used. The County Council wished to have the two amounts combined.

4.2 Public Participation.

A parishioner had raised the matter of replacing the tree near to the sign with a Councillor. The County Councillor informed the members that he has still to purchase this but has not found a suitable tree for the site as it must not grow too high and interfere with the power lines.

5. Matters to Report.

5.1 Meeting at the School.

Councillors Oldfield, Mitchell and the County Councillor had attended the second meeting regarding transport to the Primary School and parking. The police had attended and suggested opening earlier so that children can be dropped off before the coach travels to the school. The land owner is to be contacted to see if any land can be released to provide parking and re-site the footway. The County Councillor will speak to the school to ascertain if there has been any further progress.

5.2 Community Asset Register for the Post Office.

This is still in probate so it was agreed to remove from the agenda.

5.3 Bench on Manor Drive.

The land is owned by Flagship Housing so the Clerk will write to it to request permission to site a bench.

6. Highways.

6.1 Report on Highways Matters.

The County Councillor had requested that the Highways department look at a three way junction at the Bull crossroads to stop mainly cyclists speeding into the junction. He is

also looking at improving the markings on Butt Lane at the junction with Tittleshall Road following a request to the Clerk from a parishioner. Point House had been hit again but there is little that can be done at the junction as there is no highway land available at the junction to increase the width of the road. The white lining had not all been done as was promised and the County Councillor is querying why. The Clerk had received a complaint about parking on the footway near to the Pound Lane junction with Back Street and this is causing visibility problems. The Clerk will write to the residents. The potholes on Tittleshall Road are due to be repaired. The Chairman was unable to attend a meeting about traffic on B1145 from Aylsham to Kings Lynn and the Clerk had not received any further information. A parishioner had requested that the Parish Council look into restricting vehicles on Front Street and the County Councillor will investigate this but it is classified as B1145 as well as Back Street.

6.2 New problems.

The following items will all be reported:-

The cutting back of the hedge and verges on Back Lane, the footway on Lexham Road needs clearing, the verges all need cutting properly and the County Councillor is already investigating this, the footways need spraying, the vegetation on Mileham Road still needs cutting back opposite the Limes, the finger post near the Jubilee Hall has not been replaced, the hedges on the east side of Butt lane and Pound Lane need cutting back, as does the hedge outside the Mount and the lay-by on Tittleshall Road needs cutting.

7. Planning.

7.1 Applications.

7.1.1 3PL/2019/0258/F- 1 Albion Terrace Front Street-demolition of existing garage and outbuildings and erection of 2 new dwellings and associated car parking.

The meeting was adjourned.

A parishioner stated that the applicant had spoken to him without informing him that an application was being submitted. The wall to the west of the adjoining property is in the ownership of the application but the parishioner is opposed to the construction of only a 1 metre wall as there would be no security for his dwelling. There is also no privacy for the bungalows on Manor Drive because of the change of levels of the ground. The highways comments were read out and these should be re-enforced on any comments from the Parish Council. Another parishioner stated that the form and scale of the proposed dwellings are not suitable are overbearing and overlooking the adjacent dwellings to the south. The land levels exacerbate this overlooking.

The meeting was re-convened.

Councillor Oldfield proposed and Councillor Fagence seconded the resolution that an objection be raised to the application. All were in favour although Councillor Mitchell abstained from the vote. The reasons for an objection are the highways safety issues at this point as detailed by the Highways Officer, the overshadowing and overlooking of the dwellings and the form and scale of the development.

7.1.2. 3PL/2019/0628/O- Land rear of Fourways Mileham Road-2 detached single storey dwellings and garages.

Councillor Fagence queried whether this is still a bird sanctuary and this will be stated in the response from the Parish Council as it is in the Local Development Framework. The access was discussed and felt to be unsuitable and the long term shading by the trees which could lead to request for felling was discussed. The members felt that this would be inappropriate in a Conservation area.

Councillor Brookbank proposed and Councillor Christie seconded the resolution that an objection be raised to the application. All were in favour although Councillors Oldfield and Mitchell abstained.

7.2 Decisions.

There were no decisions to report.

County Councillor M Kiddle Morris withdrew from the meeting.

8. Finance.

8.1 Budget.

Councillor Mitchell proposed and Councillor Anderson seconded the resolution that the budget which had been circulated be approved. All were in favour.

8.2 Balances and Cheques for Authorisation.

Councillor Mitchell proposed and Councillor Oldfield seconded the resolution that the following balances and cheques for authorisation be approved. All were in favour.

Balances :-

Bank of Ireland.

Balance at 31 03 19	6349.53
Less E-on D/Debit-91.00	
Cheques authorised 13 05 19-1293.19	
E-On Direct Debit-88.07	<u>1472.26</u>
	4877.27
Plus Interest 08 04 19-0.66	
Breckland Precept-5000.00	
Breckland Community car grant-250.00	
Interest 07 05 19-0.90	<u>5251.56</u>
Balance at 31 05 19	10128.83
Plus float for Community car	<u>100.00</u>
Balance at 31 05 19	10228.83

Amount available for Section 137 : 494x £7.86= 3882.84

Spend to Date :£0.00

Cheques for authorisation:

569	B J Leigh	Salary-May and June 669.06 less PAYE 133.80	535.26
570	HMRC	PAYE May and June	133.80
571	Mrs E Christie	Community Car April-86.65 May-56.60	143.25
572	Litcham Jubilee Hall CIO	Hire of Hall	15.00
573	Litcham Methodist Church	Donation	1000.00
574	T T Jones Electrical Ltd	Maintenance	68.09

8.3 Internal Auditors report.

This had been circulated and was discussed and accepted.

8.4 Donation to Age UK Norfolk.

It was agreed unanimously not to donate.

9. Standing Orders.

This was deferred to the next meeting.

10. Correspondence for circulation.

The following correspondence will be circulated.

10.1	Clerks and Councils Direct July.
10.2	NARS.
10.3	Leader of Breckland Council.

11. Matters for the next meeting.

11.1 Financial regulations.

11. Date of the next meeting.

This was confirmed as Monday 2 September 2019 at 7.30 p.m. to be held at The

The meeting closed at 2111.