

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF PETTISTREE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 12<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2019 IN THE PARISH ROOM AT 7.30PM

Councillors present: Mr J. Hallett (chair), Mr T. Rowles, Mr C. Cook, Mr S. Hind, Mr M. Watts,

In attendance: None

## 1.0 Public Forum

### 1.1 Reports from County and District Councillors

There were no reports on this occasion. It was noted that a comprehensive email document had been circulated by Therese Coffey, one of the prospective parliamentary candidates for this constituency.

### 2.0 Welcome and Apologies – The Chairman welcomed those present

Apologies had been received from Mrs M. Chilvers, County Councillor Nicoll and Parish Clerk Mr K. Bridges

### 3.0 Declaration of Interests - None

## 4.0 Minutes

### 4.1 To approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 as a true record.

## 5.0 Matters Arising

### 5.1 Repairs to Potholes in Pettistree

Following the reporting to the Council of the major potholes previously identified, it was gratifying to note that all were earmarked the following day and then repaired within a couple of weeks. Such promptness may have been due to Councillor Nicoll's involvement

### 5.2 Footpath access and maintenance

Following Councillor Nicoll's suggestion, a meeting was held with the footpath officer for Ufford. Ufford have formed a team of volunteers to tackle maintenance of their footpaths and it was agreed that Pettistree should put together a similar team. The Chairman will promote the idea in the next issue of Pettistree People.

### 5.3 Sizewell C updates

The Chairman confirmed that the Pettistree Village response had been submitted and that an acknowledgement had been received. He had attended a meeting of villages at Snape on 11<sup>th</sup> November with the aim of producing a joint response concerning the cumulative impact on the Suffolk environment of uncoordinated work being carried out by some 7 different energy projects.

### 5.4 SID – Speed Indicator Devices update

No further action at the moment although the Chairman had received a letter from the Highways Department apologising for the delay and advising that the operative who had been involved with the siting of the SID's had moved to another department.

### 5.5 30mph signs faded and obscured by foliage

Whilst many of the signs are still faded it does appear that some are cleaner than hitherto. Whether this was due to some cleaning work or the natural effect of rain was not known.

### 5.6 Local Plan and Land grab

The Chairman and Chris Cook attended the Inspector's hearing on 17<sup>th</sup> September. They were listened to politely but most of the issues that really concerned Pettistree residents were not on the table for discussion.

### 5.7 Suggestions for Village events

There were no further suggestions other than those previously mentioned, i.e. petanque, quoits and barbeques.

### 5.8 Projects for 2019 / 2020

The bus shelter roof needs replacing. One quote had been obtained for £2,250 + VAT. This was considered to be excessive and other quotes will be obtained. It was agreed that bitumastic felt tiles would be suitable material for the repair.

### 5.9 Ipswich Northern Bypass

No further information was available.

### 5.10 Purchase of additional equipment for the Marquee

This has yet to be purchased.

### 5.11 Grit Bins

The bin between Hungarian Hall and the flyover needs replenishing. The Parish Clerk to request this.

## 6 Other Pettistree Matters

### 6.1 Town and parish Council Forum on Planning

This Forum is to discuss key changes / updates within the Planning Service. The Parish Clerk will be asked to attend.

**7 Planning Matters**

**7.1 Planning Applications received**

DC/19/3012/FUL	Hungarian Hall	Change of use to Holiday Lets	Approved
DC/19/3499/FUL	Pettistree House	Extension	Pending
DC/19//3826/FUL	Suffolk Sportscars	Change of use from Gym and studio	Pending

**8 Finance**

**8.1 Parish Council Accounts Paid and to be Paid**

**To Pay and Paid**

Olivia Smith Honorarium	Grass Cutting	£200.00
Chris Garner Honorarium	Website	£50.00
K. Bridges Parish Clerk	Expenses Feb to Sept 2019	£375.78
Parish Magazine Printing		£50.00

**8.2 Receipts**

East Suffolk Council 2 <sup>nd</sup> Precept Instalment 31.10.2019	£1232.50
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**8.3 Budget for 2020/2021 and Precept for 2020/2021** It was agreed that the precept should be set at £2,500, a very small increase of £35. However, it was further agreed that discussions of the Budget should be deferred until the next meeting when the Responsible Officer will be present.

**9 Correspondence Received – Postal and Emails**

**9.1** An email had been received from The National Community Energy Campaign but after a brief discussion it was decided that this was of no value to Pettistree

**10 Matters to be brought to the attention of the Council**

**10.1** Several villagers have raised their concerns about problems with the recent lifting of sugar beet, particularly about damage to hedges and mud on the road. Whilst it was appreciated that this work is carried out by contractors, nevertheless it was felt that ultimately it is the responsibility of the farmer(s) concerned. The Chairman agreed to write to Mr Hayward expressing these concerns.

**11.0 Dates for future meetings:**

- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 Parish Council Meeting in Parish Room at 7.30p.m.**
- Tuesday 28th April 2020 Annual Parish Council AGM in Parish Room at 7.30pm**
- Tuesday 28th April 2020 Parish Council Meeting in Parish Room at 7.45pm**
- Tuesday 5th May 2020 Annual Parish Meeting in Village Hall at 8.00pm**

The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

Signed:-..... Dated: .....