

CORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES 6TH JULY – 7 PM AT THE PAVILION THE PLAYING FIELD

Welcome by Chairman

Present: Cllr Stephen Pavey (Chairman), Cllr Maureen Boughton (Vice Chair), Cllr County and District Cllr Keith Patience, County and District Cllr Janet Craig, Jane Haverson (Clerk) and 24 members of the public.

Apologies: District Cllr Mary Rudd, District Cllr Stephen Ardley

Register of Interest: None

Minutes of June Meeting and Matters Arising:

The Clerk told the meeting that she had telephoned SOLD. They charged Oulton Parish Council £650 for 3 single opening notice boards. They estimated a double opening notice board would be approximately £400. The Clerk had telephoned various companies but the cost would be around £1280 plus VAT. The Parish Council agreed for the Clerk to obtain further information from SOLD.

Clerk read out e mail from Jennifer Powell of Suffolk Constabulary stating that police reports would no longer be sent but a newsletter would be issued periodically and meetings held at the Kirkley Centre. Unfortunately the dates are the same day as our parish council meetings. Clerk e mailed Jennifer Powell explaining this.

Keith Sampson from Suffolk Highways had emailed confirming that they would repair the sign at Corton Long Lane/Station Road.

Minutes proposed by Cllr Gill Armstrong and seconded by Cllr Bob Groome. All agreed.

The meeting was closed and Public Forum brought forward to hear residents views regarding a planning application for a hotel at Waterside Park. Much discussion took place and the parish council, who were to discuss this after the meeting assured the residents that their views would be taken into consideration. They also informed the residents to write individually to the planning department or e mail their views by 12th July.

The meeting was also informed about the proposed change of boundaries for Corton and informed the meeting about a drop in session being held by WDC at the Pavilion on 19th July between 2.30 pm and 4 pm to get residents views.

Meeting opened

County and District Councillors Reports:

Cllr Keith Patience spoke about Devolution. Councillors had agreed that they do not want a mayor if this goes ahead. Government to make a decision in two to three weeks.

Committee Representatives Reports:

Playing Field – Car boots doing well but some have had to be cancelled due to rain. Climbing frame will have main posts replaced to sustain the life of it.

Part of the field is condoned off as it is too wet to walk on, but some people still going through the cordon and also letting dogs in there. The hedge has been trimmed and field looking good.

Cllr Armstrong and Cllr Boughton held some coffee mornings in June but only had limited attendance and we thank those who supported it.

Warners Holiday Park had a charity football match on the field in aid of the British Legion.

Poor's Land Trust – Summary of meeting held on 8th June 2016

The Poor's Land Trust has received applications from three Corton students who were requesting assistance with college study fees. The trustees agreed that an application form should be devised for these type of applications and that the applicants should be asked to complete the form once their college places had been confirmed in September.

The trustees were informed of the sad news that one of the Almshouse residents had passed away, so there was a vacant bungalow to be considered. The trustees reviewed the applications and agreed on a short list of two applicants who would be interviewed by two of the trustees.

Work was agreed to the warden's bathroom in order to replace the floor, toilet and bath.

The warden had arranged a boat trip for the Almshouse residents.

Funday Sunday – Cllr Green informed the meeting that 2000 leaflets had been distributed for the Funday on 7 August. There were 5 teams for the five a side football competition. It had been suggested to have a wheelie bin fastened to the side of the goal and penalties taken. Cllr Green asked if anyone would be available to take the money.

Hopefully the weather will be kind.

Corton in Bloom stated that they would not do a monthly report as not always a lot to report. Would do one now and then.

Defibrillator Cllr Groome stated training evening now arranged for Wednesday 20th July 7 pm at Waterside Park. Also publicity for those who kindly donated arranged for Saturday 9th July 11 am at Village Hall.

Recruitment fo Parish Councillors

Cllr Groome said someone he knows may be interested and another resident is giving it thought. WDC have informed the parish council that they do not have to have 9 it can be decreased if they wanted.

Parish Clerk's Report:

Correspondence

BACT door to door community transport leaflets and posters sent to clerk.

E mail from Jo McCallum at WDC regarding Community Enabling Roadshow on 25 July e mail sent to parish councillors. Cllr Gill Armstrong said she would be interested in attending.

Letter received from WDC regarding Government Prevent Strategy.

Finance

Approval of accounts for Audit Commission and signing of form by the Chairman and Clerk.

Cheques

Clerk's salary and reimbursement for plaque and wine (for internal auditor) £248.04

Friends of St Bartholomew's Churchyard £500

Annual service payment to Heartbeat (defibrillator) £126.

Cheques authorised by Cllr Peter Armstrong and Cllr Boughton.

Business Current Account balance up to 24 June £8673.36

Business Savings Account up to 24 June 2016 £8138.45

A.O.B.

Plans for Pavilion Room

Quotations for Bakers Score table and bench

Drainage of playing field

Date and Time of Next Meeting Wednesday 7th September 2016 7pm The Pavilion the Playing Field

Apologies already given by Cllr Stephen Pavey and Jane Haverson.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm