

CORTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4 JULY 2018 AT THE PAVILION CORTON PLAYING FIELD

Welcome by Chairman

Present: Cllr Stephen Pavey (Chairman), Cllr Terry Peckham, (Vice Chair), Cllr Peter Armstrong, Cllr Bob Groome, Cllr Sue Groome, County & District Cllr Stephen Ardley. County & District Cllr Keith Patience, District Cllr Mary Rudd, 6 members of the public.

Apologies: Clerk Jane Haverson, Cllr G Armstrong, Cllr Boughton, Cllr Dack

Meeting being recorded for later transcribing

Register of Interest:

None

Minutes of June Meeting and Matters Arising

Hedge is overgrown on Stirrups Lane, have asked for it to be cut, looks like it has been done. The vegetation on the roundabout has also been cut

Lot of brambles on the path side of Corton Long Lane, Steve to deal with it

Need to officially thank Tony Cassidy for all his work, looking after the war memorial, Tibbenham's Score and the pathway beside the school and bowling green, he has done this work and kept it looking beautiful, voluntarily for many years. Gary and Paula Brown will be taking over

Minutes proposed as correct by Cllr B Groome and Cllr P Armstrong. All in favour

County & District Councillors Reports:

County & District Cllr Keith Patience Said that the boundary changes are still with the boundaries commission

District Cllr Mary Rudd Said there was no one at the meeting, so she brought the paperwork for us. We will be joined with Blundeston have been with Gunton since 2002. Public consultation so We need to make comments. It's only the ward boundaries changing, not the parish boundaries. Fewer councillors with more constituents

District Cllr Mary Rudd said Broadland Sands has not gone to planning committee yet, don't know when

County & District Cllr Stephen Ardley said he had been approached by the football coach, from Corton, asking for help with finance for equipment. This is the first request he has had, this year

Cllr B Groome says the children want the pit tidied up, the goalposts painted and the hedge cut if there is funding available

Public forum

Meeting closed

Information on buses during road closures? Cars can get through but not buses. By the time we can make enquiries they will be finished. We could contact bus company, in the morning, ask them to put up notices on bus stops

The drains are totally blocked all along Station Road and Corton Long Lane couldn't even push a broom handle down. This could cause flooding when it rains. Steve will contact WDC about this.

County & District Cllr Keith Patience said have to report issues using the highways tool. Contact Suffolk highways

The sign, at the end of The Close, has been bent for some time, after a bus knocked it when turning, this should have been reported by the bus company at the time. Cllr Pavey to contact highways

When are Waveney Norse coming round with weed killer along road edges? County & District Cllr Keith Patience is trying to track who does weed killing, not Norse, now Suffolk highways

Close public forum

Committee Representatives Reports

Playing Field

The extra carboot on Saturday 30 June went well

The field is looking good

The hedge along Corton Long Lane has been cut. Thanks to David Fermor, Colin Bradfield and Bill Canham

Corton Poor's Land and Almshouse Trust - no report

Tibbenham's Score Bollards

Cllr Dack is dealing with this, move it to next meeting

Speed signs

There was a discussion about which is best, all have good points. Research shows there is most impact from thank you signs. Spreadsheet, including prices and info, was distributed to councillors, at previous meeting. Battery life important, decided that Swarco is the best. What about charging batteries? We will have two batteries. Have approved signs, now need to propose purchase.

Cllr Peckham proposed Swarco, seconded by Cllr B Groome

Cllr G Armstrong to organise

Notice board

Letter from Cllr Boughton who has been looking into this location - can't find out who owns the land where we want to erect board, council said they don't think they own it. Cannot be erected without permission from landowner

It was suggested that maybe we should go back to the original plan and put it on the corner of Old Lane and Corton Long Lane.

Reason for opposite rugby club was that more people will see it. Someone else said more people would see it on Corton Long Lane.

Must make a decision soon so need to find out who owns the land for next time. On agenda for next meeting

Feedback on Data Protection Training

Cllr Peckham attended the training, with the clerk, on 9 May.

We don't need to have a separate Data Protection Officer. A lot is common sense, there is a DPO officer for Waveney. Need to explain why we hold data.

Warning - Be wary of scams, asking for payment for Data Protection

Pavilion Extension

Trustees meeting, supported proposal just need clarification on use of monies.

According to the PC minutes Aug 2010 "The Capital cannot be spent but is a permanent endowment, only to be spent on a new community building. "

Need to get planning permission, fee is £693. The PC need an invoice for this before we can pay. Planning permission will be applied for then we will reimburse, as this has already been approved by the PC

Funday

Need support and volunteers, anyone interested please get in touch with Cllr Boughton.

Need to place advertisement in Coastline

Poors Land Trustee

Cllr G Armstrong's trusteeship comes to an end in August, no volunteers so happy to continue. Nominated by Cllr B Groome

Twinning

Steve has emailed The mayor of Aloxe Corton , as he will be visiting at the end of August beginning of September and will talk to him about taking a group over. Too late for this year as grape harvest time in Aloxe Corton

Hedge around the corner of Mill's Drive and The Street hanging over the footpath

The hedge, around the property on the corner of The Street and Mill's Drive, is very overgrown. Cllr Pavey to send a letter

Dogs on leads in woods

Complaint about big dogs running around, as they frighten small children. How could we enforce a dogs on leads rule?

Look into having a sign Dogs must be kept under control at all times. If we do this could we enforce it?

Will monitor the situation, If further complaints will look into erecting a sign

Parking in Station Road

A parishioner wanted us to know that they have written to the police about this issue. County and District Cllr Rudd said Police had said they would monitor it.

Social media, FaceBook

We already have a website, but want to be able to disseminate information, FB is the modern way to do this.

Cllr Peckham will organise using a similar format to the web page. Agreed Cllr P Armstrong proposed, Cllr B Groome seconded all in favour.

Parish Clerk's Report

Correspondence

The hedge along the pit, on Station Road needs cutting. It was done today

Jane Haverson, Clerk has resigned for health reasons. Cllr Pavey said she's been brilliant and has worked hard, one of the best. We will need to advertise for a new clerk. One applicant has already shown an interest. Will be advertising in Coastline

Mobile phone mast, Cllr B Groome has done a survey, around the village with O2 and Vodafone

Many places, including Manor Park Road to Colman Road, Station Road, The Street all have black spots, no mobile signal at all

Some of the correspondence received, that was against erecting a mobile phone mast, was directed against a particular Councillor and was very rude. Those who objected had joined forces as the letters were very similar although one was directed more against a particular councillor. As this councillor had been approached, regarding the erection of a mast, it was correctly brought to the attention of the PC to be discussed

Finances

Balances up to 25th May 2018

Business current account £6302.33

Business savings account £8138.45

Balances up to 26 June 2018

Business current account £5956.39

Business savings account £8138.45

Items for August Agenda

Facebook

Speed sign

Funday

Meeting finished 20:25