

**Minutes of the Meeting of Cantley Parish Council held on
Thursday 21st December 2017 at 7pm in Cantley Village Hall.**

Present: Dot Machin (Chairman)
Peter Key
Steve Bennett
Brenda Pawsey
Norma Knight
Kevin Francis
Vicky Powell, Clerk

Also present: One member of the public was in attendance

1 Public Forum

A member of the public reported that public drop in sessions were being held by Network Rail on 31st January at Cantley Village Hall, between 10:30am – 12:30pm and 2:30pm – 4:30pm. The sessions would be an opportunity for residents to ask questions with regard to the programme of works Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd plans would be undertaking on the Norwich-Yarmouth-Lowestoft lines between October 2017 and March 2019.

Dot Machin reported that following sightings of a Peregrine Falcon, a camera had now been installed at the sugar beet factory. Those wishing to see the Falcon could do so via the following link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JoAwNARkMa8>

2 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Ray Smith.

3. Declaration of Interest for items on the agenda

None received

4. Minutes of the meeting held on 16th November 2017

Following minor amendments to item 2 and 8, the minutes of the meeting were **agreed** and signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

5. Urgent Items

None received

6. Matters Arising

a) Car Park – Station Road

The Clerk noted that a response had been received from the sugar beet factory. The parking area had been cleared, levelled off and fenced to discourage fly tipping after an amount of rubbish had accumulated on the site. It was accepted that the area may have been used as a passing place, the factory however noted it was private land. There were currently no intentions for the land other than to maintain the area. The beet factory had notified the Council that unfortunately due to a decline in numbers the bowls club would no longer be operating after the end of the season. Any group interested in using the bowling green with a genuine interest and willingness to help with the upkeep should contact the factory.

Dot Machin noted that the school had previously run an after school bowls club and may wish to reuse the facility.

It was **agreed** that the Clerk would add an item seeking interested groups in the **Clerk** newsletter.

The factory also wished to bring the tennis court back into use and would welcome

discussions if any group in the village wished to start a tennis club and join in managing the use of the court.

c) Station Road – Bollards

It was noted that the reflective bollard was still completely invisible from the south side. The Clerk would contact Highways

Clerk

d) Langley Road – Payphone

The Clerk had notified BT of the Council's decision to no longer adopt the payphone. The kiosk would be removed in due course.

7. **Highways and Transport**

Norma Knight reported that having taken a wrong turn, a beet lorry had become stuck along Marsh Road. She asked if it would be possible to erect signage on the approach to warn drivers that the road was un-adopted. It was **agreed** that Norma would speak to the beet factory directly.

NK

Brenda Pawsey noted that there was a serious pothole on Limpenhoe Road, as well as at the junction of Grove Road and Norwich Road, the Clerk was asked to report this.

Clerk

8. **Finance**

a) It was **agreed** to pay the following, proposed by Norma Knight, seconded by Brenda Pawsey, all in favour.

Vicky Powell	Clerk's Salary November (SO)	£191.60
Vicky Powell	Expenses December 2017	£ 29.71

9. **Correspondence**

The Clerk had received a request to add the Limpenhoe Working Group minutes to the Council website, all were in agreement.

Clerk

Inspector Lisa Hooper was unable to attend the meeting. It was **agreed** that an invitation be extended to Inspector Lisa Hooper to attend the Annual Parish meeting.

10. **Planning**

a) 2017/2001 – Sub division of plot and erection of 1 detached dwelling, 36 Church Road (Outline) – It was **agreed** that the Council were unable to provide a decision until further information had been received on the type and design of the proposed dwelling. Concerns were also raised that the application, if approved, would set a precedent for the sub division of other larger gardens in the parish.

Clerk

11. **Ongoing Matters**

Parish Newsletter

A draft copy of the newsletter had been distributed to Councillors. Brenda Pawsey noted that Ernest Hoyos, an active member of the Blofield and District Conservation Group had won the Broadland District Council 'Environment Champion of the Year' award. Southwood Church had benefitted from projects organised by BADCOG.

Clerk

It was **agreed** to include an article in the newsletter about the work of BADCOG, and advertise for any groups looking to set up a new club to fill the vacant bowls clubhouse.

12. **New Matters**

a) Fouling in Hobbs Lane

A member of the public had contacted the Clerk with regard to several incidences where human excrement had been found in Hobbs Lane. It was **agreed** that Brenda Pawsey would investigate the residents' concerns and report back to Council.

BP

- b) 2018/19 Budget and Precept Setting **Clerk**
The budget was presented for consideration. It was **agreed** that Cantley Church would receive an increased grant of £550 for grass cutting. It was **agreed** that a precept of £9,347.00 would be applied, proposed by Steve Bennett, seconded by Norma Knight, all in favour.
- c) Recruitment of Parish Clerk **Clerk**
The Chairman reported that the Clerk had resigned from her position. It was **agreed** to advertise the vacancy with the advert, job description and recruitment timetable as outlined.

13. Items for the Next Months Agenda
None

14. Date of Next Meeting
The next meeting will be Thursday 18th January 2017, 7pm at Cantley Village Hall. The meeting will be followed by a meeting of the Limpenhoe Village Green Working Group.

The meeting closed at 8:05pm

CHAIRMAN