

GREAT DUNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 08 November 2018 in the Village Hall Litcham Road Great Dunham

Present: Mr R Warnes(chair) Mrs B Upton (vice-chair), Mr K Arnold, Mr A Wakeling, Mr G Lawes, Mr C Rhodes, Mrs H White (Clerk)

7 Parishioners

The Meeting commenced at 8.05 pm

1. Welcome and to consider apologies for absence

None

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

None

3. To confirm and accept the minutes of the meeting held on 29th October

All agreed

4. To discuss any matters from the October minutes (not on the Agenda)

None

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Parishioners were here to discuss item 9 – planning application for the erection of 4 dwellings to the North of Rookery Farm, Litcham Road. The parishioners were all worried about how the development would impact on the village. The Litcham Road is already a very busy and dangerous road, particularly near to the Castle Acle junction and the 2 access points would make this even more dangerous. There is already a lot of flooding in that end of the village with the ditches regularly not coping with rain water leading to flooded roads. The worry is that building on the fields would exacerbate this problem. The sewage plant in South Street is already oversubscribed so how will the waste be dealt with? The drawings show shared bin storage but bin men will not go up private drives so this means that, at worst, every 2 weeks 8 bins will be out on the verge on a dangerous road that is very narrow. You could also come round a blind corner to find a bin lorry parked up. There is also a worry about disturbance to the rookery trees. Currently, they are not in danger but the houses will not receive much sunlight into their gardens or indeed into their windows unless they are trimmed or removed. Individuals were advised to go online and share their comments with planning as well.

6. To discuss Correspondence

None received

7. Insurance

Zurich insurance is due for renewal on 16th December. Current quote is £167.44 but this is based on only £10,000 worth of assets. Following the new playground equipment installed, this has increased our fixed assets thus we need to increase insurance. Proforma questions to allow quotes to be undertaken have been sent to councillors. Previously the playground equipment has always been included on the Amenities Committee's insurance. Cllr Wakeling to check with their treasurer as we do not want to duplicate insurance.

8. Microsoft

Proposed Cllr Wakeling and seconded Cllr Warnes to buy off Amazon.

9. Planning Issues - New Planning Applications for consideration

3PL/2018/1261/O - Erection of 4 dwellings

Outline planning permission Land to the north of Rookery Farm Litcham Road.

Councillors all voted to object to this application for the reasons outlined in public participation above.

10. To discuss any Highways Matters

Deferred until next meeting

11. Budgets and Precept

Councillors voted unanimously to keep precept the same for the coming year.

12. To authorize financial payments

Clerks wages £44.18

Cllr Rhodes expenses £19.8

Hall Hire £32.00

13. To receive items for the next agenda

Nothing specific

14. Confirm date and time of next meeting

Monday 14th January 2019 at 8pm

Meeting concluded at 9.05 pm