

GREAT ASHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held on Thursday, 19th July 2018 at 7.30pm
The Lord Thurlow Village Hall**

Mr. A Peake – Chairman*
Mr. R. Barker – Vice-Chairman*
Mrs. N. Calderbank*
Mr. B. Fitch*
Mr. I. Sadler*
Mrs. D. Stick*
Mr. R. Watts*

Present: All marked*

Mrs S. Austin took the minutes.

No members of the public attended

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Record Councillors' apologies for absence

All in attendance.

2. Declarations of interest

Declaration of non-pecuniary interest received from Cllr Barker as a District Councillor in respect of item 4i. Declaration of non-pecuniary interest received from Cllr Fitch in respect of item 4i in respect of being a near neighbour.

3. Public Forum

No members of the public in attendance.

4. To Sign the Minutes of the Previous Meeting as a True Record

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 28th June 2018 were signed as a correct record.

5. To consider applying for locality monies for the printing of map of village walks

Council discussed and all in agreement in regards the printing of a map of village walks, a copy of the original leaflet of village walks was circulated, Council also agreed to install extra wayleaves. Cllr Barker to advise Cllr Peake of the name of the Footpath Officer. Mid Suffolk District Councillor Barker agreed to grant £250 of locality monies towards the printing of the map and the purchase and installation of wayleaves.

6. Planning

- i. **Application No: DC/18/03026: The Pightle, Elmswell Road – Outline Planning Application (Access to be considered) Erection of 1no dwelling and construction of new vehicular access:** Council discussed a majority decision five to one no objection subject to any dwelling being in keeping with the listed buildings in the vicinity.
Cllr Barker did not take part in the vote.

- ii. **Any Applications decided by Planning Authority:** Nothing received.

No further planning applications had been received.

7. Finance to consider payment of invoices

Cllr Barker proposed the payment of invoice seconded by Cllr Peake all in agreement.

- i. **C.Cragg village grounds maintenance £45:** A cheque no: 337 for £45 was raised.
- ii. Council discussed the extra edition of the Newsletter Cllr Stick proposed seconded by Cllr Sadler to print x 160 black and white copies at a cost of approximately £30 all in agreement. Cllr Peake to inform the Editor of the Newsletter, if necessary a cheque to be raised between meetings.

8. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda

Cllr Calderbank advised she did not wish to continue as the Responsible Finance Officer, to place on next agenda. Cllr Stick highlighted Great Ashfield had not had a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme however Cllr Stick has agreed to act as the named person who will attend any necessary meetings of N.W.S. and a resident has agreed to continue to send out the Police connect messages to those in the village who have agreed to receive the messages, Council briefly discussed. Cllr Barker advised he will be meeting the Suffolk County Councillor responsible for highways and will report back at the next meeting, to place on next agenda. Cllr Stick reported a resident had highlighted SCC had still not put right the damage done three years ago by a speeding car. The Speedwatch update had been circulated to Councillors. Cllr Fitch reported the signage at the end of Norton Road no longer showed 'Give Way' also a resident had complained about the narrowness of the footpath Cllr Peake to report. Cllr Watts highlighted the number of cyclists riding two abreast on the small back roads and how dangerous this was, to investigate if there is any suitable signage. Cllr Barker reported a resident had advised a drone had been seen flying over houses, if any more issues arise to place a notice in the Newsletter, the Clerk to ask SALC if they have any legal advice on drones.

9. Date of next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 20th September 2018 in the Lord Thurlow Hall at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm.