

TRIMLEY ST MARTIN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Trimley St Martin Parish Council held at the Trimley St Martin Memorial Hall on Tuesday 7 March 2017 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Parish Councillors: Garrett, Owen, Pither, Rodwell and Sills.

Also present: County Councillor Goodwin, District Councillor Harding, Felixstowe Town Councillor Stuart Bird and three members of the public.

Public Session

- County Councillor John Goodwin gave his report in which he explained that BT and Virgin were now liaising over the provision of high speed broadband to homes served by cabinet 45 and this was expected to be resolved by December 2017. He also drew attention to the current county wide drive to recruit volunteer Master Composters. Finally Cllr Goodwin announced that he would not be seeking reelection to the County Council when his current term came to an end in May
- Councillor Sills expressed the gratitude of the Parish Council for the hard work that had been undertaken on behalf of the community by County Councillor Goodwin. Councillor Goodwin had offered considerable support over the course of many years and his interest and involvement would be very much missed.
- District Councillor Graham Harding also recorded his appreciation of the contribution made by County Cllr Goodwin. On the subject of new housing development, he expressed concern over the cumulative burden on the infrastructure. He also confirmed that Trimley Sports and Social Club would be applying to Suffolk Coastal District Council for the release of funds to assist with the replacement of play equipment on land to the rear of the club.
- A local resident drew attention to the notices posted by Network Rail relating to their application to the Secretary of State for Transport for an order to close six level crossings, divert footpaths and construct a bridge over the line. The notices were posted on the footpaths and might not be seen by all residents with an interest in the matter. She asked whether it would be possible to ask Network Rail to post additional notices so as to reach a wider audience. It was agreed that the Clerk would take this up with Network Rail.

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1. To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Councillors Barker, Bozier and Parker.

2. To Receive Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest in matters on the agenda.

3. To Receive and Determine Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests from Councillors for dispensations enabling them to speak, or speak and vote, on matters on which they had a pecuniary interest.

4. To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting Held 7th February 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2017 were approved with the addition of an entry to the budget confirming the transfer from balances needed to reflect the difference between the gross requirement for the year and the precept for 2017/18.

5. To note the current position in relation to the Felixstowe Branch Line Improvement Project

Councillor Sills reported on the presentation made on 22 February by Network Rail staff Alex Kirk, Sheery Sassoon and Hollie Radcliffe to members of the Parish Council and colleagues from Trimley St Mary PC. Network Rail had confirmed that they would shortly apply to the Secretary of State for Transport for an order authorising the level crossing closures, the changes to the public rights of way and construction of the new bridge. There would be a statutory consultation period of 42 days to which period two extra days will be added to allow for Easter. The Parish Council will be included in the formal consultation process. The design of the bridge for which approval would be sought was broadly the same as that originally proposed. An alternative design proposed by Bidwells had not been adopted. The option of an underpass had been considered by Network Rail, but ruled out following an engineers' report.

6. To conduct a Review of The Council's Governance Risks

The Council conducted a review of its Governance risks.

To conduct a Review of Risks

The Council conducted a review of its risks and the associated action plans. The current recording system was created using LCRS (Local Council Risk System) and it was agreed that the Clerk would look at a more focused arrangement for future use.

7. To Comment on the Following Planning Applications

The Council considered and had no objection to two planning applications:

DC/17/0591/FUL - Erection of shed replacing existing rotting structure in the rear garden at 67 Grimston Lane

DC/17/0619/FUL: Erection of part single/part two storey side/rear extension at 39 Cavendish Road

8. To Receive an Update on the Innocence Farm Proposals

The Council noted that their request for a meeting with the Head of Planning for Suffolk Coastal District Council had been agreed and that representatives of the parish councils of Trimley St Martin, Trimley St Mary, Levington & Stratton Hall and Bucklesham would be attending a meeting with Phillip Ridley along with their respective cabinet members on 16 March.

9. To Approve the Following Cheque Payments:-

The following payments were approved (cheque 3001412 spoiled)

Date	Cheque No.	Payable to	In Respect of	Amount £	Power
07/03/2017	300141	B Dunningham	Cleaning of Bus shelter	£54.00	Local govt (Mis Provs) Act 1953s4
07/03/2017	300143	Caroline Ley	Clerk's Salary	£478.80	LGA1972s 112
07/03/2017	300144	HMRC	Tax due on clerks' salary	£113.20	LGA1972s 112
07/03/2017	300145	Caroline Ley	Clerk's expenses	£39.60	LGA1972s 112
07/03/2017	300146	Flyer Press	Printing & distribution of Parish Pump	165.00	LGA 1972 s142
07/03/2017	300147	SALC	Clerks Training	150.00	LGA1972s 112
07/03/2017	300148	Headway Suffolk	donation	£50.00	LGA 1972 s37

10. To Receive a Financial Statement to 25th February 2017 (includes bank statements and budget update)

The Council received a Financial and Budget Statement to 25th February 2017

11. To consider the future of the Christmas celebration at Reeve Lodge and to note the thanks of the Trimley Saints Players for the contribution made in recognition of their services at the 2016 event.

The Council discussed the Christmas celebration at Reeve Lodge and asked the Clerk to find out from the warden her view of the extent to which the event was valued by residents.

12. To Note the Adoption of Local Plan Documents by Suffolk Coastal District Council To note that the District Council formally adopted two Local Plan documents on 26th January 2017.

The Council noted that the Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies Development Plan Document and the Felixstowe Peninsula Area Action Plan had now been formally adopted and become part of the Suffolk Coastal Development Plan and would be used in the determination of planning applications. On 16th January 2017, SCDC had received the Inspector's report into the documents. The report concluded that the documents were sound subject to the inclusion of main modifications. SCDC had accepted these modifications and adopted the documents with immediate effect. Copies of the adopted documents were available on the District website along with a copy of the Inspector's Report, Adoption Statements and Sustainability Appraisal Reports. The documents were also available for inspection at the Customer Services Centre, Woodbridge Library.

13. To consider an application under the transparency code for a refund of the £50 costs incurred for the One Suffolk website in 2016/17

The Council noted that a refund would not be available as the turnover exceeded the scope of the scheme.

14. Close

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.