

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7pm on Tuesday 24th November 2009 in the Owen Barnes Room, Breckland Road, Costessey at which the following were present:-

Mr J Amis – Vice Chairman

Mrs D Bates Mr J Denby Mrs L Glover Mr R Piesse Mr A Bedford
Mrs R Jackson – Parish Clerk Miss A Starkings – Assistant Clerk 3 Public

APOLOGIES

423/09: Apologies were accepted from Mr W Dinneen, Mr S Watt, Mr G Watt, Mrs V Bell, Mr T East, Mr A Todd, Mr B Mackie and Mr R Smith.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

424/09: Mr J Denby declared a non-pecuniary interest in the planning applications as he is, or may be, a member of the South Norfolk Council Planning Committee. He made it clear that although a view may be taken by this Council, he remains open to further information or views, which might be presented at the South Norfolk Council Planning meeting.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 3RD NOVEMBER 2009

425/09: The minutes were approved and duly signed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 3RD NOVEMBER 2009

426/09: There were no matters arising.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS, APPEALS AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

427/09: RESOLVED to comment on planning applications for consideration as follows:-

- **6656 – 5 OVAL ROAD** – New conservatory – Approve subject to no neighbour objection
- **6757 – 32a LONGWATER LANE** – Erection of rear extension - Approve subject to no neighbour objection
- **6758 – WAYSIDE FILLING STATION, 403 DEREHAM ROAD** – Erection of various signs including illuminated signs – Approve
- **6759 – 9 LONGDELL HILLS** – Single storey rear extension – Approve
- **6760 – PARISH ROOMS, TOWNHOUSE ROAD** – Change of use to one dwelling - ??
- **6761 – COSTESSEY QUARRY, LONGWATER INDUSTRIAL ESTATE** – Variation of condition 1 of PPC/7/2007/7017 to allow mineral extraction to which this permission relates to cease on or before 31/12/2010 and the site be restored in accordance with condition 19 of PPC/7/2007/7017 on or before 31st December 2011 – Approve
- **6762 – COSTESSEY QUARRY, LONGWATER INDUSTRIAL ESTATE** – Variation of condition 1 of PPC/7/2007/7018 to allow restoration to be completed on or before 31st December 2011 – Approve

428/09: Greater Norwich Development Partnership – submission document – It was noted nothing had changed relevant to Costessey since previous consultations and there were therefore no further points to raise.

Done
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Phil

429/09: Shape East at Queens Hills School –. There is to be an exercise with pupils at the Queens Hills Primary School on 4th December to ask the children for their views, ideas and expectations of the proposed new Community Building on the development.

430/09: South Norfolk Council have acted upon **complaints regarding noise at the Harte of Costessey**.

CORRESPONDENCE (VERBAL AND WRITTEN)

431/09: Mr East, Mr Denby, Mr Bedford and the Clerk will attend the meeting with representatives of Taverham, Drayton and Ringland Parish Council to discuss whether or not they join forces to lobby for a **complete Northern Distributor Route**.

432/09: RESOLVED to allow **Costessey Sports Club to hold a weekend 5-a-side competition** at Longwater Recreation Ground and Costessey Centre in June 2011.

433/09: Programme for by-election on 14th January 2010. Noted

434/09: Notice of intent to demolish the Roundwell Public House – Noted.

435/09: Responses from residents re **mutual boundary fence with Greenhills Wood**. Noted that the majority of the residents with property boundaries marked by this fence had responded that they did not wish the fence to be removed. RESOLVED to leave the fence where it stands. Council reiterated that it does not own this fence and would not replace it even if it were removed as it has no perceived benefit to either the Parish Council or the users of Greenhills Wood.

436/09: Best of Both – South Norfolk and Breckland Council have combined to offer some services to residents together. Noted

TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS MATTERS

437/09: RESOLVED to place on the next Parish Council agenda a discussion **regarding a new road sign and its wording for Dereham Road**.

438/09: APPROVE NAMES??

REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING GREENHILLS WOOD

439/09: RESOLVED to discuss with children within the Parish a **‘go ape’ style play area** at the beginning of next year. At present the younger children’s play area is due to be replaced at the Longwater Lane site and the older children’s area is also due to be replaced sometime within the next financial year.

FINANCE MATTERS

440/09: RESOLVED to **approve the accounts for October 2009** in the balance sum of £1,214,396.63.

441/09: RESOLVED to approve a £10.00 **donation to RNIB for talking books**. (LGA 1972, sec 137)

442/09: RESOLVED to approve a £50.00 **donation to Norwich Fringe Project**. (LGA 1972, sec 137)

Meet notes attached Rachel

Told organizer Rachel

Notified affected residents Rachel

On agenda Rachel

Chqs done Amy

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE, BUDGETS AND STAFFING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 19TH NOVEMBER 2009 AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS THEREIN
INCLUDING THAT FOR PRECEPT FOR 2010/2011**

443/09: After two small amendments the minutes were approved and duly signed.

444/09: RESOLVED to accept the recommendations contained in the minutes including that the Youth Centre and Parish Rooms should ultimately be sold – by auction of possible - following the completion of Costessey Centre and that the precept for 2010/2011 should if at all possible be set at the same Band D equivalent level as 2009/10 financial year so that individual households will see no increase in their Parish Community Charge.

UPDATE ON THE COSTESSEY CENTRE

445/09: A full report was given to Council on the Costessey Centre. Investigations are to be made into the storage areas for the RFCA – Cadets and their equipment. Noted and approved

COUNCILLORS QUESTION TIME

446/09: Items raised were:-

- Questions were asked about a **large heap of rubbish** which can be seen on land on the opposite side of the river from Longwater Recreation Ground. Council was informed it was thought this would be removed shortly.
- The residents in **Valley View Crescent** would like a **grit bin** at the bottom of the hill.
- There is a large amount of **dirt and gravel on the path outside 23 Longwater Lane** causing problems to pedestrians.
- There is an ever **increasing problem getting out of Queens Hills**, especially at peak times. Is there a possibility of traffic lights being installed?

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.