

PETTISTREE PARISH COUNCIL

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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE PETTISTREE AND LOUDHAM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD AT PETTISTREE VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 7th May 2019 at 8.00 P.M.

Signed *Keith Bridges* Pettistree Parish Clerk

PRESENT Jeff Hallett (Chair), Mary Chilvers, Chris Cook, Steve Hind, Terry Rowles, Mike Watts, Philip Westrope, Dave Caudwell, Maggie Hallett, Dick Smith, Rita Smith

- 1.0 **The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked those attending. Apologies had been received from Cath Caudwell.**
- 2.0 **The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd May 2018 were read out and duly agreed and signed by the Chair**
- 3.0 **Matters Arising:** There were no matters arising other than those on the Agenda
- 4.0 **Parish Council Chairman's Report** This was read out (copy to be on website) and included new District Councillor (Carol Poulter), Potholes, Local Plan, Sizewell C and Finance.
- 5.0 **To receive reports from**
Reports from District and County Councillors – None received
Pettistree Heritage received from Cath Caudwell and read by Chairman (copy to be on website)
Pettistree Parochial Church Council received and read by Maggie Hallett (copy to be on website)
Dave Caudwell commented on the parking problem especially if a wedding, carol service or the harvest festival. The Parochial Church Council were aware of the limited space in car park by the church hall but they were also aware of strong objections to extension of the car park into the flower meadow part of the churchyard
Village Hall Committee None received but Dave Caudwell gave summary that the finances were in good shape and the lettings were at a high level and covered the maintenance costs. This meant that they no longer required to fund raise. The last year the Committee managed to do several maintenance jobs and also invested in a new car park and water heater, and hope to decorate this year.
Dave suggested that owing to the low turnout of the public that the Parish Meeting is advertised and communicated to the residents by other groups (possibly Cath Caudwell's messaging) and that all parties are sent requests to send in their reports
Safer Neighbourhood Team The Police no longer attends our meetings
- 6.0 **Matters concerning Pettistree Village**
 - 6.1 **Tree Safety in the Village** Chairman stated that willow on village green was trimmed as part had fallen off but the poplars were considered to be currently OK. Chairman had removed a dead part of his lime tree. There appeared a problem with the oak tree opposite the post box and tree warden would speak to the resident. The tree is in a garden and dead-looking branches overhang the road. There is also a dead flowering-cherry tree in the churchyard and authority to remove is being obtained from the Archdeacon and the East Suffolk District Council Tree Officer as it is in the Conservation Area
 - 6.2 **Parking on the Village green** Occasional parking still occurs which is illegal but it was deemed not to put any notices up
 - 6.3 **Three Tuns development** The Dawson family has purchased the property and Maggie Hallett has spoken to Lesley Dawson. The building was not in as good condition as thought but looking to convert to nine Studios for letting, making a small café for vegans run by their daughter and a function room for activities.

6.4 **DIY Highways Work** There is a DIY workshop on 15th May at Stonham Barns which will be attended by the Chairman and Clerk

6.5 **Pot holes in Pettistree** These are still a great problems and Chris Cook is looking to do survey

6.6 **Footpaths and upkeep** Our Footpath Officer Sue Tansley sent in an email with current problems which she was aware of and this was read by the Chairman. Philip Westrope has requested copy of the original report. The meeting wished to say a thank you to Sue for all her assistance. Chairman stated that Councillor Nicoll is in charge of the Transport part of Highways so we could ask him for assistance in resolving problems.

6.7 **Land grab – Local developments – responses** This had been discussed at previous special Parish meeting on 12th February 2019 and Chair was delighted that there were 47 responses from Pettistree residents, more responses than from Wickham Market.

6.8 **SID Speed Indicator Device (Radar speed signs)** District Councillor Mark Amoss had given to Pettistree £2155 being the remainder of his locality Budget for the purpose of obtaining a SID and to assist in keeping the village safe. It is suggested that three poles would be installed with the SID moved between them. The sites would be Presmere Road, The Street and Thong Hall Road. It was suggested to speak to David Chenery of Wickham Market who works for Highways for advice.

6.9 **Closure of Pettistree Level Crossing and building of Tunnel or Bridge** Cllr Philip Westrope had received notification of two suggested routes. Maggie Hallett asked how much the level crossing was used and Philip advised that a camera had been installed and only triggered four times in six weeks. It was considered that the rail option would be very expensive if the Sizewell C did go ahead.

6.10 **Sizewell developments** No further developments

6.11 **Village Marquee uses** Marquee purchased and stored in village hall for the use of Pettistree residents, activities and groups. Usage would be approved by members of the Council and Village Hall Committee. There would be no charges for hire as the Marquee was purchased with the village funds and was under control of and insured by the Parish Council. The marquee has been insured with stipulations in respect of minimum of four people to erect, not to use if inclement weather or same is forecast, no vehicle to be parked near the Marquee during or after erection

6.12 **Village projects and celebrations** Suggestions were requested for future events with stipulation that money could be asked for the facilities but not for food and drink.. One suggestion put forward was for a petanque contest. Another suggestion was for some sort of musical or amateur dramatic show with performance in the Village Hall or the Church.

7.0 **Any Other business** Chris Cook proposed a vote of thanks to the Chair and to Mary for doing the refreshments.

No other business was received and the meeting closed at 9.35pm

Light refreshments were available after the meeting Councillor Mary Chilvers once again completed the evening by her home made Sausage Rolls and Sponges which were thoroughly enjoyed by all attendees.