

## MINUTES OF THE PETTISTREE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2007 AT PETTISTREE VILLAGE HALL, 8 PM

Present: Mr J P Hallett (Chairman) Mr N Beagley Mrs K Hunter  
Mrs H Kay Mrs K Wilton: Mr P Hayward

In attendance: Cllr M Bond & Cllr J Bidwell - District Councillors  
PC Thompson – Community Police Officer  
Cllr C Aitchison – County Councillor

**1.0 Apologies.** Mrs M Stollery (Vice Chairman).

**2.0 Minutes of the meetings held:**

2.1 Parish Council Meeting – 26 September 2007. Minutes were agreed and signed.

**3.0 Declaration of Interests.** None.

**4.0 Matters Arising from the last meeting:**

4.1 Village Green Ownership. Mr Beagley reported that he had received some information on the research carried out to date and kindly offered to take this item forward and report back to the next meeting.

4.2 Village Seats– maintenance. Mr Hallett reported that Mr Nobbs had cleaned and repaired the seats. The cost of this was thought to exceed the £60. It was noted that he had done a very good job on the seats as well as washing the 2 village signs. It was confirmed that the signs would need repainting. Agreed to put this on the spring agenda.

4.3 Vacancy – Co-option of Councillor. Mr Hallett proposed Mr Hayward be co-opted onto the Parish Council. Mrs Hunter seconded. Agreed unanimously. Mr Hayward duly signed his Declaration of Office.

4.4 Hedgecutting – Hedges had now been cut and owners would be receiving individual bills for the work.

**5.0 Reports:**

5.1 Police Report - The Clerk reported that the next Area meeting on 10 December would be held in Ufford in an attempt to include the Ufford and Pettistree Parish Councils. Mr Hallett may be able to attend.

5.2 County Councillor's Report – Councillor Aitchison reported that SCC were looking at their budget and likely savings. A cap of 5% increase was in place. The Ipswich Unitary bid, Pathfinder and bird flu would all need to be included. The proposed budget would be presented to Committee on 13 December and Cabinet on 14 February. It was hoped that Pathfinder would find savings on a bigger scale. Councillor Aitchison also reported that there was still funds left in the Locality Budget if Pettistree had any projects that needed funding.

- 5.3 District Councillor's Report - Cllr Bidwell reported that Doreen Savage was keen to involve the youth in the community and had offered to come and speak about how young people can have a voice within the village. It was agreed to invite Doreen Savage to speak at either a parish council meeting or the annual parish meeting.

## **BREAK FOR REFRESHMENTS**

### **6.0 Highway Matters:**

- 6.1 Traffic – Byng Hall Road - letter to residents. It was agreed to remove this item from future agendas.
- 6.2 Speeding – Presmere Road – Mrs Stollery reported that she had made contact with Presmere nursery and Mrs Hayward, owner, would send out letters to parents. It was agreed that speeding was less of a problem now and that SID would not be required.

### **7.0 Planning Matters:**

- 7.1 Planning Report – One application had been received:  
Beverley, Old Main Road, Pettistree  
Application for kennels for 6 dogs.  
No objection raised by the Planning Committee.
- 7.2 Notification of Decisions: No decisions had been received.

### **8.0 Finance:**

- 8.1 Council Income: None
- 8.2 Council Payments: **Accounts to Pay**

Clerk's Salary £58.56 (Oct, Nov)	£117.12
Mr Barker – grass cutting	£ 90.00
Ufford PC – photocopying	£541.00

- 8.3 Budget and Precept 2008/09. The draft budget was circulated. Following discussion the Precept was agreed unanimously at £2,200.

### **9.0 Correspondence:**

<u>Publications Received</u> –	Local Council Review – NALC
	Parish Bulletin – SCDC
	The Local Councillor - SALC
	Report and Accounts – Suffolk ACRE
	Enjoying Heathland – Suffolk Coast & Heaths Unit
	Clerks & Councils Direct

The following correspondence was noted:

- 9.1 SCC – Consultation on Suffolk Minerals Development Plan Documents Deadline for responses 3 December 2007.
- 9.2 Suffolk NHS – Rural Dispensing Regulations – classification of Pettistree.
- 9.3 SCC Roadsafe – new Community Speedwatch scheme working in partnership with communities. Visit [www.suffolkroadsafe.net](http://www.suffolkroadsafe.net)

- 9.4 SCC – Suffolk Fire Authority – Draft Integrated Risk Management Action Plan 2008/09 Consultation. Deadline 24 December 2007. The full document is available on the Suffolk County Council website.
- 9.5 SALC – Post Office Consultation on the closure of 2,500 post offices across the country.
- 9.6 SCDC – Tree Works application – Church Cottage, Walnuts Lane, Pettistree. Proposed work – remove down to a few feet from the ground a beech tree due to die back at top and sides.

**10.0 Parish Plan.** Progress Report.

An initial analysis had been done. Mr Hallett encouraged the Steering Group to aim for completion of the report by the end of March 2008.

**11.0 Future of the Greyhound PH.** Progress Report.

Mr Hallett reported that he had passed on an enquiry to the owners, who already had a tenant in mind. Mr Hayward reported that it was hoped that the new tenant would be in place by March 2008. It was confirmed that the owners were contributing to the roof repairs and that the Listed Building Officer was monitoring the work being carried out.

**12.0 Village Litter Pick.**

The Annual litter pick will be held on 30 March at 11am. Meet at the Greyhound.

**13.0 Any other matters arising since notice of meeting.**

- 13.1 Mud on Road – Presmere Road. Mrs Hunter reported that the sugar beet trailers, combined with the recent rain had left a considerable amount of mud on the road causing the surface to become extremely hazardous. The farmer was aware of the situation.

**14.0 Dates for future meetings:**

21 February 2008 – 8pm	Parish Council Meeting
6 May 2008	Annual Parish Council Meeting and Ordinary meeting
20 May 2008	Annual Parish Meeting

The meeting closed at 9.45pm

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