WENDLING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE WENDLING VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7.30 P.M.

Present:- Cllr M Olley, Cllr S Warwick and Cllr D Kemble.

Others Present:- Dist. Cllr R Atterwill, 2 electors and Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk

Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence.

Cllr Warwick welcomed those present to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Knight and these were accepted. County Cllr M Kiddle-Morris and Dist. Cllrs R Duffield also sent apologies.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda.

Cllr Kemble declared a Pecuniary Interest in item no. 5. Correspondence.

3. To confirm and accept minutes of the 20th July meeting

The minutes had been circulated. Cllr Kemble proposed the minutes of July 20th be accepted as true and accurate records of the meetings, seconded by Cllr Olley and carried.

4. To discuss any matters from the minutes of July (not on the agenda).

There were no matters to discuss.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD

Dist. Cllr R Atterwill reported that not much is happening at Breckland Council at the moment. The Council is having a summer break. The Council still does have a 5-year housing land supply so their existing policies are still current.

5. To discuss any necessary Correspondence.

Cllr Kemble left the meeting. The Parish Council had received a letter from Little Rainbows Wendling asking for a donation towards the purchasing of new sensory items for the toddler group. The letter was sent by Dr Sophie Kemble, who is the wife of Parish Councillor David Kemble. Cllr Foster proposed a donation of £200.00 be given, seconded by Cllr Warwick, so the donation will be given.

A donation appeal had been received from Support Our Military Veterans. Cllr Olley proposed a £50.00 donation be given, seconded by Cllr Foster and carried.

6. To discuss any Planning Issues.

3PL/2023/0830/F Land East of Station Road, change of use of land to create a new storage barn for machinery and access drive. The Parish Council decided not to support this planning application because of the location of the driveway is unsuitable and there will be an impact on traffic.

7. To discuss any Highways Matters.

The sign that needs replacing is in hand. Cllr Warwick informed Highways that there was a sign about 100 metres west of the Village Hall that needed replacing.

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8. To discuss the proposed Village Litter Pick

A village litter pick will take place next Easter. Cllr Foster enquired whether a rubbish bin could be sited down Station Road, next to the seat. Matthew Lines at Norfolk County Council needs to be asked if it is permissible to put a rubbish bin there. Breckland Council may charge for emptying it. Cllr Warwick will make some enquiries about the situation.

- 9. To receive an update on St. Peter & St. Paul's Church churchyard There is no update on this situation.
- 10. To receive an update regarding new lights at the bus shelter

 Cllr Olley has purchased a new light for the bus shelter. Cllr Kemble will deal with siting it.
- 11. To authorise financial payments.

 Cllr Warwick proposed the following financial payments be authorized, seconded by Cllr Olley and carried.

Clerk's net salary Aug.-Sept. £227.40 HMRC tax £56.80 Clerk's expenses £39.46 Support Our Military Veterans (don.) £50.00 Mr G Hall - bookcase in bus shelter £110.00 Little Rainbows Wendling(donation) £200.00 Mr Olley - light £17.99 Mr Olley- batteries £13.90 Wendling Village Hall - hall hire £42.00

12. To receive a financial update from the Clerk
This document had been circulated. There were no questions regarding the financial update.

13. To discuss the idea of putting some play equipment on some land.

This is an ongoing idea. Cllr Warwick had been making some investigations and the cost of a piece of land that would be required could be around £1,000.00. Finding the piece of land to buy is the biggest problem. He has been trying to find someone who is willing to sell a piece of land to the Parish Council for the play equipment to be sited on but this is proving very difficult. Cllr Atterwill suggested forming a small committee to oversee this project. He mentioned that eventually it might be a good idea to apply for a loan through the Public Works Loan Board. This comes from the Government. The Planning Department of Breckland would have to be asked if planning permission could be granted. Support for the project could be obtained from the District Councillors. The loan would be paid back over a period of years. He also suggested putting a non development clause on the application.

14. To receive items for the next agenda.
Update on the Rubbish Bin down Station Road idea.

15. To confirm date, time and venue of the next meeting

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will take place on Thursday 16th November at 7.30 p.m. in Wendling Methodist Church.

As there was no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8450 p.m.

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Chairman

Date