

Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council

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Summons to: All Parish Councillors

cc County Councillor, District Councillor

Monday the 6th of November 2017 at 7.00

at The Village Hall, Bressingham

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Declaration of Interests
- 3 To agree the minutes of the meeting of the 2nd of October
- 4 Matters arising from the minutes
- 5 Report from County Councillor
- 6 Report from District Councillor
- 7 Presentation from Mr Peter Evans of Neighbourhood Watch
- 8 Presentation from Alan Boulter of Anglian Water
- 9 Highways
- 10 Planning
2017/2395 Sycamore Barn, Stone Lane – glazed link to join barn and outbuilding
2017/2434 Meadow Cottage, High Road, Bressingham – first floor extension
- 11 Finance
- 12 Correspondence
- 13 Meeting start times
- 14 Sign at Pillar Box Corner
- 15 Any Other Matters
- 16 Date of next meeting



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Minutes of the Meeting held on the 6th of November 2017

The meeting opened at 7.00 p.m .

Present

Councillors – Chair, Mr R Hewitt, Mr D Hodges, Mr K Traynier, Mr J Phillips and Mr D Neville.
Also present were Mr B Spratt, Mr A Kennison, Mr A Boulter, various members of the public and the clerk Mr M Mortimer.

1 Apologies

Mrs A Lawson, Mr R Spall, Mr J Kemp and Mr B Stone.

2 Declarations of Interests

There were none

3 To agree the minutes of the meeting of the 2nd of October

The minutes were agreed and signed.

4 Matters arising from the minutes

Mr Hewitt pointed out that there was a great deal more material on Harvest House on the South Norfolk website and that the PC might consider asking for clarification.

Mr Traynier reported that having consulted old maps the sign for Nordles Corner was correct

5 Report from County Councillor

Mr Spratt updated the council on the progress of meeting conditions at Harvest House. He said a council tax rise of 4.9% was being considered though he was trying to keep it as low as possible.

6 Report from District Councillor

Mr Stone sent his apologies.

7 Presentation by Mr Kennison of Neighbourhood Watch

Mr Kennison pointed out that the old Homewatch scheme was gone and Neighbourhood Watch was the only scheme now. He outlined the advantages of establishing a scheme and explained how to set about it. The only cost involved would be the cost of signs.

On the subject of crime Mr Hewitt took the opportunity to ask Mr Phillips for his report on the meeting he had attended at constabulary HQ on planned police re-organisation.

Mr Phillips explained that much of the information had already been published such as the replacement of all PCSOs with 96 new posts including some PCs. Other new staff would be involved with the investigation of crime. The explanation given was that the nature of crime was changing and that with limited resources concentration on crime solving rather than a visible presence was the best use of resources. Only three police stations in the county would remain open to the public

8 Presentation by Anglian Water

Mr Boulter explained that replacement of the old mains supply in parts of the parish was now essential and that disruption would be kept to a minimum with advanced warning of road closures.

Mr Hewitt pointed out that the quality of re-instatement after other utilities had carried out work had not been satisfactory and advised Mr Boulter that a close eye would be kept on the work. Mr Boulter expressed a hope that it would be possible to have some public meetings and establish a drop-in centre.

The meeting was closed for public comment and questions.

Mr Boulter was asked why the pipes being replaced were not the ones causing most problems and why the pressure was being increased. Mr Boulter said he was not aware of any intentional increase and would look into it. On the matter of compensation for the village shop he said the owner had already been contacted.

9 Highways

There was nothing to add to the comments under the previous item.

10 Planning

Approval was recommended for 2017/2395 Sycamore Barn, Stone Lane and 2017/2434 Meadow Cottage, High Road.

11 Finance

A report was made available.

12 Correspondence

None in addition to material already circulated.

Items 13 and 14 were postponed till the next meeting.

15 Any other matters

In response to a question about a lorry parked every night in Fersfield Road Mr Traynier said that he had made PC Squires aware of it and was awaiting his action.

16 Date of next meeting

4th of December at the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.20