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**Monday the 5th of December 2022 at 7.15**  
**Meeting of the Parish Council at the Village Hall**  
**AGENDA**

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Declarations of Interest**
- 3 To Agree the Minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> of November**
- 4 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

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**10 minutes public speaking time**  
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- 5 Flooding**
- 6 Roads and Traffic**  
20mph campaign
- 7 Allotment Meadow**  
Sub-Committee report on costs
- 8 Planning**  
Outstanding planning and compliance matters
- 9 Communications**
- 10 Footpaths**  
Mr Hudson report
- 11 Any Other Matters**
- 12 Date of next meeting**



**Parish Clerk**

## Bressingham and Fersfield Parish Council

### Minutes of the meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> of December 2022

The meeting opened at 7.15pm.

#### Present

Councillors: Chair and Minutes Dr A McMurray (AM), Mrs S Barton (SB), Mr R Hewitt (RH), Mr W Hudson (WH), Mrs K Le Grys (KL) and Mr M Le Grys (ML).

Also present were three members of the public.

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr McAleese (BM) and the Clerk, Mr M Mortimer.

#### 2. Declaration of Interests

None

#### 3. To agree the minutes of the 7th of November 2022.

The minutes were agreed and signed.

#### 4. Matters Arising from the minutes

- ML has taken the role of the Parish Council's Allotments Representative.
- BM and KL & ML laid the Parish Council wreaths of remembrance at Fersfield and Bressingham war memorials, respectively.

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#### 10 MINUTES PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

- A member of the public told us that he had complained to Norfolk County Council about the condition of one of the local footpaths and received a response that the matter had been allocated to the "local team". He asked who the local team is and suggested that the method of submitting complaints should be posted clearly on the community website.
- A member of the public asked if the Parish Council had submitted a response to a recent Anglia Green communication. The Parish Council is not aware of any **formal** communication requiring response. This one was from the protest group via facebook.
- A member of the public asked about the reorganisation of constituency boundaries and was reassured that no change in Parish or county boundaries was anticipated.
- A member of the public suggested that an annual community magazine be produced.

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#### 5. Flooding

AM reported on the response she received from the Norfolk Strategic Flood Alliance (NSFA) to her report to them of flooding in the Parish in November.

She also reported that she had received information about likely underlying causes of Bates Lane Fersfield being so vulnerable to flooding.

**ACTION:** AM to (1) continue the communication with NSFA and (2) initiate contact with relevant authorities for action on the Bates Lane problems.

#### 6. Roads and Traffic

##### 20mph campaign update:

ML, WH and AM have put up 20mph signs around the Parish. Reports of drivers slowing down on seeing the signs have been received.

**ACTION:** AM - order another batch of 30 signs.

**ACTION:** SB - distribute 20mph campaign car stickers in Bressingham.

Farm Vehicles Access Matters:

WH has identified Grahame Bygrave, NCC Director of Highways and Waste as the appropriate person for a meeting about farm vehicles access Matters.

**7. Allotment Meadow**

Estimated costs of the ideas suggested for use of the Allotment Meadow are not ready.

**ACTION:** WH and sub-committee to recommend next steps.

**7.1 Additional Item: Allotment Association AGM**

ML reported that:

- In his opinion, the driveway does need repairing.
- Fencing around the allotment area is to be erected during the Christmas period.

**ACTION:** ML to liaise with the Clerk on driveway repair costs and arrangements.

**8. Planning**

2022/1108 (AD Plant at Deal Farm) is due to be considered on 14th December 2022.

2022/1930 (The Oaks, change of use of Agricultural Buildings) is pending consideration.

Responses were submitted to both cases as agreed at the last Parish Council Meeting.

**9. Communications**

There have been burglaries recently, targeting people who keep large amounts of cash at home.

**ACTION:** Warning to be added to the website and disseminated on posters.

**10. Footpaths**

WH reported that:

- A list of owners of footpaths is being compiled.
- Footpaths must be defined and kept clear, although can be ploughed

Members of the public still present were reminded that whilst they are invited to speak in the allocated 10 minutes public speaking time they cannot take part in the remainder of the meeting.

**ACTION:** WH to complete the footpath owners list and then to liaise with the Clerk on preparation of a letter to landowners about their footpaths.

**11. Any Other Matters**

It was agreed that distribution of flyers inside Cockcrow could be a pragmatic alternative to publishing an annual community information magazine.

**ACTION:** SB to investigate how to distribute flyers inside CockCrow.

**ACTION:** SB to start compiling useful local phone numbers and then to share with Councillors for additions to be made.

**12. Date of Next Meeting**

Subject to there being items requiring attention, the next meeting will be held on 9th January 2023 at 7.15pm in Bressingham Village Hall.