

SOUTH CREAKE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of South Creake Parish Council held in the Memorial Pavilion on Monday 5th of February 2024, from 7.00pm.

Present: Councillors, P Abbey, T Allen, J Amor, S Baldwin, P Collins, L Goodall, R Chantree, B Sexton and B Rosen.

Parish Clerk and County Councillor M de Chenery.

Members of Public: 3

1. Chair welcomed all those present to the meeting
2. **Apologies:** Cllrs Morley
3. **Declarations of Interest on Agenda Items:** None.
4. **Minutes**
The Minutes of the meeting held on 8th of January 2024 were proposed by Cllr Allen, seconded by, Cllr Collins and all in favour.
5. **Parishioner's Questions and Statements:**
Mr. Sandford reported that discussions with 2 landowners had shown some interest in land to take flood water. Cllr Abbey is awaiting a response from Grant Tuffs at Anglian Water and the Environment Agency regarding permit to dredge the river. Tim Fisher from Norfolk Rivers Trust advised that dredging was no longer allowed but maybe a controlled version could take place. He was happy with Mr. Sanford's proposals, but they have no funding.
Environmental Health needs to get involved with the flooding of properties which had also affected the allotments.
Cllr de Chenery advised that there was a £5k fund available from NCC for anyone who has been flooded and the drains were now blocked solid with mud.
6. **Reports from County and Borough Councillors and Police:**

Cllr de Chenery agreed to provide £1000 from his members fund towards the new bench. He had sent the NCC update to the clerk which has been sent out to all parish councillors.
 - a. Wood carvings update – Cllr Allen has chased the sculptor who will be starting in the Spring
 - b. Replacement trees – now looking for local suppliers
7. **Open Spaces:**
 - a. SAM2 signs – Cllrs Abbey and Sexton advised that a data download would take place in the Spring.
8. **Footway Lighting** – no issues reported
9. **Finance**
 - a. To approve the February (to date) payments – Proposed Cllr Abbey, seconded Cllr Goodall, and all in favour.
 - b. To approve the January bank reconciliation, bank statements and payments/receipts – proposed Cllr Abbey, seconded Cllr Sexton, and all in favour. £44,471.00 in the bank accounts to 31.1.24
10. **Correspondence:**
 - a. Clerks Report: updated the website under the War Memorial Photo Project which was really interesting. D-Day 80 celebrations – clerk to obtain quotes for gas beacons. ACTION: Clerk
Email from a resident regarding an electricity cable that was leaning – UK Power Networks advised and the problem has been rectified.

- b. Items need for the next newsletter – website update and funding for flooding victims
- c. Beat your Bills email from Borough as sent out to all councillors
- d. Clerk advised that the Borough had voted the double council tax for all second home owners.

11. Highways Matters

- a. Matters reported to the Clerk prior to the meeting: None.
- b. Cllr de Chenery advised that he has been out with Highways to cover all the missing lines in the parish and they were scheduled for re-marking in the Spring.
- c. Leicester Road temporary closure from 12-16th February for cable and joint works.

12. Planning

- a. To consider plans at the time of publishing:
23/02290/F - To erect a 10ft x 8ft metal shed to the north of the church tower. at Church of St Mary Church Lane South Creake Norfolk – agreed to support this as preventing a fire hazard. Proposed Cllr Sexton, seconded Cllr Abbey and all in favour.
- b. To consider plans received since publication of agenda - None
- c. To note application decisions:
23/02074/F | Installation of a Shepherds Hut style building in residential garden for ancillary residential use | Sutton House 33 Back Street South Creake Fakenham Norfolk NR21 9PG – Permitted.
- d. Appeal to refusal- 23/00066/REF | Construction of new garage for Goldcrest House | Goldcrest House Avondale Road South Creake – Appeal valid
Horseshoe Farm Roman Road South Creake Norfolk - Alleged unoperational development – Appeal in progress
- e. Gypsy and Traveller Potential Sites and Policy Consultation – Cllr Goodall advised that the sites quoted on the consultation document in our parish were incorrect with 2 being on private property.

13. Allotment Matters

To receive a report from the Allotment Subgroup:

Cllr Amor gave an update regarding an increase on allotment annual charges from £2.50 to £3.00 for a half plot and £6.00 from £5.00 for a full plot. This was agreed. Letters to be sent out in March advising of this and payments to revert back to 1st April annually. Draft letter to be sent out to all councillors.

There are no plots available on either site and clerk to remove notice of availability from website.

14. **To propose items for the Parish Council website:** as 13.

15. **Parishioner's Participation:** None

16. **Date of next Parish Council meeting and any agenda items:**

It was noted that the next meeting was to be held on Monday 4th of March 2024 at 7.00pm.

Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

Meeting closed: 8.24 pm.

APPROVED FEBRUARY PAYMENTS

C Boyden	Salary	230.83
HMRC	PAYE	57.60
SSE	electricity	105.15
Pavilion	2023 Room Hire	166.00
C Boyden	Dec – Feb expenses	66.45
Cozens	Dec – Feb lighting	36.00
Wix	Annual Domain	12.46
Wix	Annual Subscription	93.60

Signed :

Date