

**MINUTES OF THE OLD BUCKENHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2014 AT OLD BUCKENHAM VILLAGE HALL. AT 7.30PM**

**Present.** Cllrs Mr S Milner – Chairman, Mr J Kemp – Vice Chairman, Mr T Ing, Mr A Joel, Mr T Johnson, Mrs S Dye, Mr P Boggia, Mrs C Marshall and Mr J Watling – Parish Clerk.

**Also Present.** 6 members of the public.

**1.4.15. Apologies.** Cllrs Mr J Frost, Mr D Smalley and Mr A Chrisoviledes

**2.4.15. Declaration of Interest of Items on the Agenda.** Mrs S Dye and Old Buckenham Parish Council as shareholder OBGRP's

**3.4.15. Public Recess.** Meeting suspended to allow members of the public to ask questions. Meeting resumed.

**4.4.15. Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015.** Proposed by Cllr Joel and seconded by Cllr Kemp they be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. This was agreed unanimously.

**5.4.15. Matters arising from the minutes.** None.

**6.4.15. Chapel Road School Update.** Cllr Milner said Mr Alston's death was sad and had asked NCC what effect this would have on construction.. He was informed all documents had not yet been signed and no changes to access. An application for discharge of certain conditions in original application relating to Traffic Management during construction. Construction will now commence in August 2015. Cllr Milner then said the archaeological dig on the site was now complete and the ground returned to normal. There had been no construction work undertaken whilst the archaeological digging was being done. Cllr Joel said Mr Hayes of NCC is holding back on car parking and PC should take the matter forward with him. Cllr Milner informed meeting that Mr Hayes was not prepared to discuss the matter anymore. It was agreed that a resident and Cllr Joel would meet with Mr Bygraves to raise matter of access to drop off children at school times.

**7.4.15. Neighbourhood Plan Update.** Cllr Kemp reported that on the 27th March Adrian Joel and himself had attended a one day Norfolk councils neighbourhood planning workshop held at Breckland council offices. This workshop covered. 1. Mechanism for producing a plan. 2. The content of a plan. 3. Costs and available funding to produce a plan. 4. Support and advice available to Parish / Town councils. 5. Opportunities for drawing on community infrastructure levy (CIL). During the day we had presentations from DCLG (department for communities and local government), Consultants ABZAG, Breckland council, Broadland council, Broads authority, North Norfolk council, South Norfolk council, Kings Lynn and West Norfolk council. We also had presentations from a representative from the Great and Little Plumsted/Thorpe End N. Plan and Cringleford Neighbourhood plan. We found out that Breckland is about to appoint a Neighbourhood planning advisor.

**8.4.15. Road Safety.** Cllr Milner said a number of near misses had been recorded at the school and a log was being kept of such incidents by school's and PC should monitor this. The 20mph speed signs were now installed. Cllr Johnson suggested extra 30mph speed signs be installed to show end of 20mph zone. Clerk will speak to highways on the matter. The Parish Council now have 50% funding for a SAM2 mobile speed sign. The children at Junior school have now completed their poster campaign for road safety and cllr Milner would like some Parish Councillors to come with him to school to judge winners, he is looking also for sponsorship as 4 of the winners will have their entry printed for display in the village.

**9.4.15. Car Parking.** Cllr Milner said that the whole matter was moving forward and the Village Hall parking had raised £1,900 for maintenance fund. Quotes have been received for resurfacing just the beginning of the car park and cost was approx. £4,000. Working Party was still meeting regarding a planning application for 50 extra parking spaces which if it went ahead Parish Council would submit the planning application on behalf of Village Hall. Ongoing consultation with residents is still taking place in regard to parking at Village Hall. Letter will go in next newsletter to obtain residents views before proceeding to see if grant funding was available.

**10.4.15. Planning Applications. 3PL/2015/0284. Redroof. Cake Street.** Single storey extension to front of bungalow changes to internal layout and provision of first floor attic bedroom. Proposed by Cllr Ing and seconded by Cllr Dye no objections. This was agreed with 7 for and 1 abstention.

**Y3/2015/3006 Chapel Road School.** Remove condition 7 on Traffic Management System. Traffic Plan will now allow vehicles to go through village possibly along Hargham Road. Cllr Milner to speak to Neil Campbell on the matter.

**11.4.15. Planning Decisions Received. 3pl/2015/0042/F Roughlands Grove Road.** MMA to Planning App 3pl/2014/0250/F in respect of the removal of first floor element and revision of footprint. Permission granted. **3pl/2015/0118/F Rodwells. Attleborough Road.** Demolish existing garage building and replace with single storey side extension to dwelling. Permission granted.

**3pl/2015/0099/F Airbase at Old Buckenham Airfield.** New museum and separate sanitary block. Each housed in separate new Nissen huts. Permission granted.

**12.4.15. Approval of Accounts Payable.** Proposed by Cllr Ing and seconded by Cllr Dye that all invoices on March and April cheque list be approved for payment. This was agreed unanimously.

**13.4.15. Chairman's Report.** Cllr Milner reported that Cllr Ing and himself had made good the previous parking area at play area/Ox & Plough and so it is now no longer a parking area.

**16.4.15. District Councillors Reports.** Breckland agreed not to increase Council Tax . Several villages have submitted their proposals to Breckland to carry out Neighbourhood Plans with other villages showing an interest. Breckland are going to employ an officer to be a single point of contact to assist parishes that are starting or considering a Neighbourhood Plan. Grants of up to £4,000 will be available. Breckland will be setting up a joint venture company with The Land Group LLP to drive long term regeneration within the district. New company will be called Breckland Bridge Ltd. Initially the company will focus on delivery of Thetford's Riverside regeneration together with housing developments in Mileham and Attleborough. It is anticipated this will create jobs and provide new housing for communities across Breckland and boost the district economy.

**17.4.15. Parish Councillors Reports.** Cllr Johnson raised question of the verges at St Andrews Close and asked when it was going to be widened. Cllr Joel said it is being worked through Breckland and Norfolk County Council and it should be done soon. The AGM of Village Hall will take place next Wednesday. Cllr Ing raised matter of speeding in Grove Road and asked if speed restrictions could be introduced. Parish Clerk to speak to Highways on the matter. Cllr Ing then thanked the Parish Councillors for all their hard work over the last 8 years including his time as Chairman and wished those standing again good luck. Cllr Marshall said work was continuing on The Alm's Houses and hopefully it would be completed in May with new roofs and windows. The next phase will be subject to obtaining funding to complete more modifications and improvements. Cllr Milner said he had given wrong information regarding submission of nomination paper for forthcoming Parish Council Election. He originally said they had to be submitted by 25<sup>th</sup> April but the correct date was 9<sup>th</sup> April. He then thanked Cllr Ing for all his years of service on the Parish Council. Cllr Joel attended a meeting last night on Play Area Legislation and said Pc should be responsible for fulfilling it's legal obligation. Parish Clerk to contact Norfolk RCC to obtain presentation on the meeting.

**18.4.15. Parish Clerk's Report.** Parish Clerk said he had sent out two new policy documents which should be read as they will be coming up at May meeting for adoption. He then thanked all those Councillors who are not standing at the next election for their service to PC and the support they had given him.

**19.4.15. Highways.** The bend on Cake Street near Stud sign shows two junctions and the junction runs up to The Stud which is not a road. Cake Street opposite Harlingwood Lane triangle showing a junction and that junction leads into some one's drive. Resident thanked BDC for quick removal of rubbish in Doe Lane within 48 hours of it being reported.

**20.4.15. The Green.** A meeting will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> April at Village Hall starting at 10.00am to discuss a way forward to maintain the green in the future and create a new charitable body so they can hopefully obtain grant funding. Cllr Ing raised the matter of Insurance Claim outside The Gamekeeper and Cllr Dye said the OBGRP's insurers were dealing with matter.

**21.4.15. Confirm date and time of next meeting** Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm at The Church Rooms. Old Buckenham.

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.35pm.**