MINUTES OF A MEETING OF OVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 18th SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.30 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllrs Karen Weir (Chair) (KW), Pete Bate (PB), Tim Birt (TB) David Welsted (DW) and Jeremy Woods (JW).

In attendance: The Clerk, CC Bowes and one members of the public

749. To receive any apologies. DC Crane

750. To accept any declaration(s) of interests. None

CC Bowes explained that the Minerals and Waste Local Plan review is available for comment. There are no sites in the parish, however there is one in Carbrooke.

There is a Household Waste Amnesty on 28/29 September at Dereham Recycling Centre. Watton High Street will be closed on 22nd September for resurfacing.

751. Minutes of the meetings held in July had been circulated before the meeting and were approved.

752. Matters Arising

• None

753. Correspondence

- Consideration of application to Parish Partnership scheme for 2020/21. It was agreed that no bid be submitted.
- Saham Toney Neighbourhood Plan Consultation. Retained by the Clerk
- Email from resident about various highways issues in the Parish. Hedge cutting near the village sign to be arranged. Hedging obscuring the 30mph roundels as you enter the village from 'Ovington Bends' to be reported to Highways. Car debris near the salt bin on the main A1075 crossroads to be reported to Breckland Council
- Norfolk Minerals and Waste Local Plan. A response to be considered and submitted outside the meeting using delegated authority. Proposed: TB. Seconded: KW. **Councillors to action**

754. To consider the view of the Council about the following planning applications

- Planning Applications:
 - None
- Planning Applications received with no comments submitted:
 - None.
- Planning notifications:
 - 3PL/2019/0543/HOU: Water End Farm, Church Road erection of single storey extension to provide entrance lobby and associated alterations.
 - 3PL/2019/0652/VAR: Pole Barn, Dereham Road removal of conditions 3 & 4 of application 3PL/2009/1126/F – to allow holiday let to be used as principle permanent residence. APPROVED by Breckland Council
 - Enforcement case closure notification relating to unauthorised development at The Old Mill House, Ovington.

755. Payment of accounts and precept update

Payments Received

٠	Gravity Race entrance fee		£35.00
٠	Clerks Wages	chq 001	£178.52
٠	Norfolk Pension Fund (September)	chq 002	£60.12
٠	Norfolk Pension Fund (October)	chq 003	£60.12
•	HMRC	chq 004	£121.60
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• Clerks reimbursements (inc gravity race road closure fee)

• Breckland Council (Election Fe	e)
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chq 005 chq 006 £60.89

£75.00

• Agreement to creation of standing order for the clerks wages of £162.32 per month

Proposed: KW, Seconded: TB

756. Update transfer the Parish Council bank account from Barclays to Lloyds and agreement of closure of the Barclays account.

The Clerk reported that the transfer had been very smooth and the closure will be actioned. **Internet banking to be added to the next agenda.**

757. Gravity Race Feedback

The event was very successful and the track was excellent. There was discussion and it was agreed that the next gravity race will be held on Sunday 9th August. **Clerk to arrange for road closure**

758. Community Emergency Plan Update

The questionnaire has been agreed and will be included in the next edition of the Oracle. The Clerk will collate responses and draft a plan.

759. Adjournment for Public Participation

A resident thanked TB for organising an excellent Gravity Race.

JW confirmed that he will be purchasing a commemorative cherry tree and tree guard. It was agreed that two trees to commemorate villagers will be planted.

DC Birt informed the meeting that he has challenged the Breckland Council exclusion of the press and public from meetings as he is concerned that the legislation is not being correctly applied. He hopes that in future more business will be transacted within the public domain. Finally, DC Birt informed the meeting that there is little hope of Breckland achieving the necessary five year land supply that they are expected to provide. This could affect the way in which planning applications are assessed in the future and the likelihood that sustainability arguments will carry more weight than other objections

760. Future Business:

Precept discussions

761. Date of Next Meetings: 20 November 2019

Meeting closed at 8.35pm