**Tunstead Parish Council**

**Minutes from 19th March 2019 at 7.30pm**

Present: Chris Oakes CO Chair

Wendy Atkins WMA

Clive Rich CR

Caroline Purdy CP Clerk

Nigel Williams NW Vice Chair

Revd Tim Gosden TG

Apologies: Neil Coston NC

Tim Place TP

Simon Shaw

Public: Nigel Dixon ND Norfolk County Councillor

PC Tom Gibbs PCG Norfolk Constabulary

1 member of the public

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| **Item** | **Action** |
| Public Participation  The member of the public raised about the previous flooding to Anchor Street Tunstead. The clerk will continue to chase and the member of public was encouraged to approach Highways directly also.  Local Policing Report  PCG reported low crime in the village since 01/01/19, with only 1 incident of a public order offence, although fly tipping continued to be a problem locally, as did speeding, which he continues to monitor. Parking causing an obstruction for residents on Forge Estate at the entrance to the John Groom homes was raised under any other business for PC Gibbs.  PCG encouraged Councillors to monitor local social media and raise any concerns with him directly. He asked us to note that Norfolk Constabulary cannot comment via Facebook pages. Across the region police numbers were up 60% with new officers currently being trained. Countywide, there are another 50 officers being/will be recruited to work in Investigations, online crime, fraud and scams and safeguarding areas. The police are committed to communicating their efforts and updates locally and will be collating contacts for local newsletters to publish this. There are also the local Safer Neighbourhood meetings which can be attended.  Parking along the Tunstead Road outside Broadland High Ormiston Academy was raised; as this does not fully obstruct the road no action can be taken. Progress was noted that more parking had been made available on site to reduce the numbers of parked cars.    County Councillor’s Report (attending from 8.30pm)  ND raised the issue of congestion around Wroxham and Hoveton at present caused by the roadworks; this is largely down to utilities companies and scheduling of works. Unfortunately, Norfolk County Council are not involved in scheduling to influence timescales and duration of works.  ND advised of the local elections on 2nd May 2019. He advised he will be standing and canvassed support. Our District Councillor will be standing down.  Regarding his budget for 2019/20, ND was unable to confirm if this will be available yet.  CR raised an enquiry from a member of the public regarding graves at Tunstead Church for residents of Sco-Ruston and an area of uncut grass to the side/rear of the church. CO confirmed this area was left natural to encourage wildlife and cut annually in October. Council members discussed the 2 graves and felt that one was never stood upright. It had also been raised that there are 6 residents from Sco-Ruston recorded on the Norfolk Roll of Honour which are not recorded anywhere locally. TG suggested speaking to Revd Jump in the first instance which NW will do. CR will respond to the member of the public. | CP  CR  NW  CR |
| 2 Apologies  As above. |  |
| 3 Declarations of Interest  None. |  |
| 4 Minutes of the Last Meeting  Agreed and signed. |  |
| 5 Matters Arising   1. Phone box – CO hadn’t been able to make progress on replacement glass. CP to follow up. 2. Noticeboards – CO has taken these down and work to replace the locks is in hand. CP noted that the new noticeboard still needs to be erected. | CP  CO |
| 6 Received Correspondence  The Clerk read details of a resident’s correspondence with Network Rail concerning crossing gates at Church Lane. Councillors requested the Clerk write to Network Rail for an update on their position and to highlight safety concerns and ask if there is anything they can do give peace of mind in this respect.  Notice of NNDC’s Local Plan consultation period was previously circulated. | CP |
| 7 Clerk’s Financial Report  The statement of accounts was updated. Pending payments for the following were approved:  Clerk £392.72  Woodbastwick Parish Council £ 66.00  CGM £ 61.20  WMA expenses £197.76  Councillors confirmed for the clerk that new contract tenders should be sought from April onwards. |  |
| 8 Highway Matters  The clerk gave notice of the Traffic Restriction Order affecting Mill Lane.  SAM2 sign data was circulated and discussed.  The Clerk raised a concern from Sloley Parish Council over the possibility of increased farm traffic to supply the anaerobic digester at Scottow.  Councillors felt that there was already significant farm traffic and digester waste and this should be monitored; clerk to liaise with Sloley Parish Council accordingly. CO advised legal requirement of tractors to do no more than 22mph if using field grip tyres and to report infractions and/or dangerous driving to PC Gibbs. | CP |
| 9 Planning  Planning applications PF/19/0295 and PF/19/0312 were circulated previously and discussed. Councillors had no objections. |  |
| 10 Environment  None. |  |
| 11 Tunstead Village Hall & Recreation Ground Report  WMA reported that the Race Night was being held on 23/03/2019 at Place UK. Tickets are £5 each. Following that the next event is Yard Sales on 12/05/2019. A 1st draft of plans for the village hall had been received from the architect and were on display, although these will be adjusted to make further savings in the design details. |  |
| The public meeting closed for a private session. Minutes available separately. |  |

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| The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **16th April** at 7.30pm at the portacabin. |

Agreed and Signed on behalf of Tunstead Parish Council:

Chair

Date: