

Meeting Minutes of Horningtoft Parish Council  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 19.30 held at St Edmunds Church

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Parish Councillors present: Andrew Hill (Chairman), Pauline Chapman, Graham Drew  
Also present: Donna Secker (Parish Clerk), County Councillor Kiddle-Morris and 2 members of the public.

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**1. To receive apologies for absence**

Councillor Hawke and Councillor Baker sent their apologies, these were accepted.

**2. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

No Declarations of interest were declared.

**3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

It was resolved to accept the minutes of the last meeting as a true record, and it was signed by the Chairman.

**4. To receive updates from County and District Councillors**

The County Councillor report is attached due to the length of the report.

Planning applications that include overnight accommodation are not being passed or considered. This is due to the Breckland nutrient pollution in protecting habitats of the River Wensum Special Area of conservation is requiring local planning authorities to ensure that new developments don't cause adverse impacts by draining into the catchment of River Wensum. This is affecting over 42 local authorities, not just Breckland.

**5. To report progress on items not on the agenda from the last meeting**

**5.1- Holiday lets-sewage pump**

It was reported that the ditch is still black, but this is residue from the previous problems. The ditch does need clearing out but eventually, this will be washed out. The water from the pipe is clear and not pumping sewage.

**6. Open forum for Public Participation**

Nothing reported

**7. To report and update on highway matters**

The clerk notified the council that the rangers are due to visit this month. The council would like the rangers to cut back the verge to expose the village sign on Dereham Road. The village signs, speed signs and finger posts all need cleaning and a large pothole on Brisley road will be added to the list for the rangers to complete. Also, the clerk reported a water leak to Anglian water regarding Oxwick Road.

Cllr Drew reported that the ditches have not been cleared out after the corkscrew machine was used in the winter which caused the ditches to become further blocked with debris.

## 8. Planning applications

8.1 To receive planning applications by Breckland District

8.2 Update on application decisions taken by Breckland District

## 9. Items to discuss or approve

9.1 Update on the progress of the village map

This is still being prepared and hopefully will be ready for the next meeting.

9.2 To discuss and approve the date for the defib awareness training.

The clerk has booked for the defib awareness training to be 7<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30, to be held at St Edmunds Church, Horningtoft. Everyone is welcome and the training is free.

9.3 The discuss the risk assessments carried out by the councillors

All areas have been checked by the councillors, this included the bus shelter, dog bins etc and all are noted to be in excellent condition.

9.4 To discuss the infrequent cutting of the churchyard

The clerk chased this up as the last cut was May 2022. The reason behind the delay was due to lack of staff and the cost of fuel. This will be monitored by the Cllrs and the clerk will continue to chase them when needed.

## 10. Finance

10.1 To approve the list of payments

The Council approved the list of payments for July as detailed at the end of the minutes.

**To receive items for the next meeting agenda on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

Village Map

Meeting closed at 1954

Cheque number	Cheque payable to	Reason for Payment	Cheque amount
100493	D.K.Secker	Salary	£117.73
100494	HMRC	PAYE	£29.40

Norfolk County Council Member for Necton and Launditch Report July 2022 Dualling of the A47: The Secretary of State (SoS) has approved the proposed National Highways improvements to the A47 between Blofield and North Burlingham which will provide a 1.6 mile stretch of dual carriageway with associated grade-separated junctions and overbridges. The projected cost of the project is £50-100m. The SoS is considering the Development Consent Order (DCO) for the proposed dualling of the A47 between Tuddenham and Easton and is due to make his decision in late August. The new dual carriageway will be 6.1 miles long and consist of a grade-separated junction at Wood Lane and removal of the Honingham and Easton roundabout.

NCC have lobbied for the improvements to the A47 to boost the economic prosperity of the county through its membership of the A47 Alliance which has a membership consisting of representatives from all the councils on the A47 from Peterborough to Gt Yarmouth.

Gt Yarmouth. The National Highways website has a “fly-through” visual interpretation of both the schemes described above. Norwich Western Link: Last Monday the NCC cabinet reaffirmed its commitment to completing the so-called Western Link. This 3.9 miles of dual carriageway will join the Broadland Northway (A1067) and the A47. The new Wood Lane junction on the dualled A47 will provide the access to the A47. Crossing the environmentally sensitive Wensum valley will pose problems, and no doubt significant protest, but NCC is confident that such concerns can be mitigated. The new road will reduce traffic through the villages between the A1067 and the A47 which are currently subject to high traffic volumes due to “rat running”. Since the construction of the Broadland Northway traffic volumes on the B1145 have increased and the new link road will reduce this traffic flow. Mark Kiddle-Morris.