



Draft Minutes of Suffield Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd February 2021 by
Zoom

Cllr Patrick Mutimer - Chairman
Cllr Jack Almey
Cllr Louisa Inglis
Cllr Caroline Brett
Cllr David Hawkins
Cllr Morag Neld
Cllr Helen Almey

Clerk Wendy Murphy

3 Members of the public

1 To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Cllr John Timewell

2 To receive declarations of interest and requests for dispensations

None received

3 To approve the minutes of the Suffield Parish Meeting held 20th October 2020

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting held

4 To discuss matters arising

None arising

5 Reports from County and District Councillor's

Cllr John Timewell reported that the north Norfolk council meeting to set their budget is in his opinion the best budget in all his 8 years at County Hall

6 Financial Matters

- a) To note the balance on the bank account 23rd February £8194.93
- b) To authorise cheque payments to the following: Indigo Waste £14.40 Chq 100331 and Clerk Wages and Expenses Oct – March 2021 £339.00 Chq 100332
- c) There will be an amount of approx. £400 received for 2 years of recycling grants from 1/7/1019-31/12/2020
- d) Wendy confirmed that she has not been given the invoice for the poppy wreath. She will chase a copy of this and arrange for this to be paid.
- e) As the Covid 19 grant from Norfolk Community Foundation has not been used it was agreed that this should be returned. Cheque number 100333 for £1000.00

7 To adjourn the meeting to allow for public participation

Jon Payne introduced himself – he is hoping to be standing as a candidate in the forthcoming County Council elections and he was keen to build on his knowledge of the area and learn about any issues or concerns people in the division have. He was more than happy to give out his email address for any concerns. mail@jonpayne.co.uk

8 Village Broadband Project

This is still ongoing and cables have been erected on Brick Kiln Lane

9 Footpaths/Highways

Stuart Wright has still not attended to the footpath that borders his land to make this passable. The Clerk will send a follow up letter regarding this issue. The Clerk has reported the sink hole at Larkfield cottage this has still not been repaired, She will chase this up. There is a ditch by Rectory Road and the Village Hall which is overflowed this has been reported but was told nothing can be done. Cllr Mutimer will investigate further.

Quiet Lane signs were discussed and Wendy will contact surrounding Parish clerks to see if they would be interested in joining this scheme. She will look into the details with highways regarding this.

The rubbish on Rectory road has been cleared up by Cllr Brett and Cllr Mutimer has cleared the ditch between Keepers Cottage and the Rectory. Cllr Neld and her husband have cleared rubbish from Felmingham Road. All were thanked for their help.

Tyres have been dumped in the woods. Cllr Jack Almey will remove these.

10 Dog Attack

It was reported that a dog had been attacked by whippets being exercised down the lobe and has been reported to the police. Cllr Mutimer will see if he can get any more information regarding this.

11 Parish Notice Board – Suffield Green

The notice board is in a bad state of repair and requires attention. Cllr Neld husband has offered to repair this.

12 Suffield Charities

The trustees have been unable to have handed out £1000.00 in December to 8 different households. This was greatly appreciated and 1 person confirmed that they would be purchasing firewood with their money

13 To Note items for information/future Agenda

Nothing was noted

14 A.O.B

The chairman thanked everybody for their help in clearing snow drifts in the village.

The chairman confirmed that he would be willing to do one more year in post.

Date of next meeting

Annual Parish Meeting followed by Parish Meeting Tuesday 18th May 19.30 by Zoom

Meeting closed 20.17