

OULTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 18th June 2024

MINUTES

At the meeting of the Oulton Parish Council held at the Old Congregational Chapel Oulton on Tuesday 18th June 2024 the following members were present:

Mrs S Mather (chair)

Mr P Killigback Mr Greg Peck, Mr A Windross. Ms A Shaw, Mr A Nash

In Attendance

Mrs W Murphy (Clerk of the Council)

Adam Curtis – National Trust

1. To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr Sue Catchpole

2. To receive members' declarations of interest in agenda items and requests for dispensation and the new Chair to sign the Declaration of office

Andy Windross item 8 (iii). The Declaration was signed by Susan Mather

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 14th May 2024 having previously been circulated to all members, were APPROVED as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.

4. To receive information on matters arising not listed elsewhere on the agenda

The minutes from a RWE meeting were sent only to the Clerk. These were forwarded onto the Chair.

Andy Windross commented on 3 accidents and 1 near miss at Blickling Road corner. Will Sealey from RWE will be doing a survey of the traffic on this road.

The Clerk will write to Richard Preston – Highways Manager to ask for a meeting at the site with the Parish Council.

5. To adjourn the meeting to receive

a. reports from police, district and county councillors

Greg Peck – NCC confirmed that there would be a vote on 25th June for a directly elected County Council leader for the next 4 years. The Western Link

has gone to panning and then there will be a public consultation. He also confirmed that the A47 dualling would be going ahead.

b. questions from the public

Adam Curtis – National Trust gave a report. He confirmed that there had been a public meeting to discuss traffic management during Park Run days. Strimming and Mowing is continuing along with tree safety work. Preparations are being made for Classic Ibiza concert. He also mentioned that the toilets at Blickling were going to be improved

6. Finance

a. To approve payments

Cheque No. 100686 Mo Anderson Dungar £ 50.00

Cheque No. 100687 Sutcliffe Play £89.28

Cheque No. 100688 W Murphy Expenses £46.48

b. To receive and approve the Internal Auditors report for 2023-2024 and agree the Auditor for 2024-2025

It was proposed and seconded and all in favour to receive and approve the Internal Auditors report. It was proposed and seconded and all in favour to agree M Anderson-Dungar to be the 2024-2025 Internal Auditor.

c. To approve the Annual Governance statement and sign the AGAR exemption certificate 2023-2024

It was proposed and seconded and all in favour to approve the Annual Governance Statement and sign the 2023-2024 exemption certificate.

d. To approve the Accounting Statements for 2023-2024

It was proposed and seconded and all in favour to approve the Accounting Statements 2023-2024

7. To consider planning matters

a. Planning applications received before 18th June 2024 & updates

Planning Application 2024/1587 – Single storey extension to east and first floor extension over existing bedroom 3 – The Council has no objection.

b. To receive Wind Farm Updates

RWE (formerly Vattenfall)

Oulton Parish Council received the minutes from the meeting held on 9th May in Cawston with RWE & Cawston PC.

RWE set out their upcoming construction of the cable route for the Cawston & Oulton area. The construction of MA7 in Oulton will start towards the end of June.

There is a traffic Notice for the road closure of Heydon Rd in Oulton on the NCC highways web page. The road closure is for the construction of MA7 the mobilisation area required for Norfolk Vanguard cable route.

OPC had not received this traffic notice, RWE were contacted for more information.

RWE responded with the traffic notice which is due to come into force on **Monday 24th June and is valid for 30 days**, a diversion route will be implemented during construction and road closure.

The plans for the layout of the mobilisation area were found on the BDC planning page and it was noted that there will be directional lighting on the compound. Given the issues Oulton has had with the Orsted Main Compound, RWE were contacted and asked if this will impact neighbours, they assured OPC that the lighting will be directional only onto the site, but if there are any concerns once operational OPC should contact RWE.

Orsted

Following resident complaints of light spillage again from the main Compound it would appear the lighting has now been reduced.

8. To confirm Council dates for 2024-2025

23rd June 2024

The next dates are provisional and will be confirmed at the next meeting

3rd September 2024

15th October 2024

3rd December 2024

14th January 2025

9. To make any decisions on a pedestrian gate at the play area

It was proposed and seconded and all in favour for Andy Shaw to purchase a 10ft gate, posts, iron work and post rails for £400.00 approx.

10. To note items of information / future agenda

15 people signed up to having a new septic tank

NCC signed up to an agreement with Lviv an area in Ukraine. A representative will be coming to the Aylsham Show.

A deal has been signed with Normandy in France to celebrate the battle of Hastings 1066

Agenda items.

Old Forge near miss

New Financial Regulations

13. To confirm the date of the next meeting

23rd July 2024 at 7.30pm

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR THANKED EVERYONE FOR ATTENDING AND DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 21.14