

OULTON PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING – 25 JUNE 2019**MINUTES**

At the meeting of the Oulton Parish Council held at the Old Congregational Chapel, Oulton on Tuesday 26 June 2019, the following members were present:

Mrs S Mather, Mr A Nash, Mr G Peck, Ms A Shaw, Mr A Windross,

In Attendance

Mr L Mills (Clerk of the Council)

It was unanimously **AGREED** to appoint Mr Windross as Chairman of this meeting in the absence of Mr Killingback

019/014 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Clerk confirmed he had received all outstanding Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

019/015 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr P Killingback

019/016 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

None

019/017 MINUTES

The minutes of the annual meeting of the Parish Council held on 14 May 2019, having previously been circulated to all members, were considered and **CONFIRMED** as an accurate record, and signed by the Chair

019/018 MATTERS ARISING NOT LISTED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

Mr Windross expressed his concern at how planning matters are being handled at Broadland District Council, especially regarding the manner in which the Parish Council is, or is not, informed of matters pertaining to the parish. Mr Peck said that in his role as Broadland District Councillor he is raising some other councils' concerns with the Head of Planning at BDC and he will include the Parish Council's concerns.

019/019 POLICE, COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

In the absence of Mr Harrison and Mr Riley Mr Peck kindly updated the meeting regarding County Farms. The County Council is the second largest landowner in Norfolk and is committed to retaining at least 16,000 acres of this. He also said that the decision regarding the western link of the NDR will be made in mid-July.

Mr Nash said there had been some disquiet regarding the Annual Police Report which stated there had been two cases of ABH recorded in the past twelve months. Councillors feel that residents should have no concern.

019/020 INTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Council reviewed the Internal Auditor's Report for 2018-2019, considered the recommendations, and **ADOPTED** it.

019/021 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The Council **APPROVED** the Annual Governance Statement for 2018-2019

019/022 ANNUAL ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS

The Councils **APPROVED** the Annual Accounting Statements for 2018-2019

019/023 FINANCE

The following payments totalling £211.69 were **APPROVED** and the cheques signed by two authorised signatories.

Norse eastern Ltd, grounds maintenance, £166.69
M E Anderson-Dungar, internal audit, £45.00

019/024 PLANNING

- (i) 20190933, Malthouse Barn, The Street, Oulton
The Council agreed that it had NO OBJECTION this application

- (ii) WINDFARMS
Vattenfall

Vattenfall Norfolk Vanguard examination has now closed. OPC have responded to all deadlines and attended hearings and Open floor hearings from the start of the process on the 10th December 2018 until its close on 10th June 2019. All responses are available to see on the Oulton Parish Council website www.oultonparishcouncil.co.uk.

019/024 PLANNING (ii) Windfarms (continued)

The Examination authority have 3 months to consider all information before submitting their recommendation to the Secretary of State who will also have 3 months to decide whether to grant a Development Consent Order.

Norfolk Vanguard examination process ended with several unresolved issues, these included the applicants not wishing to use trenchless crossing (Horizontal direct drilling) of the B1149 near to the junction with 'The Street' even though this had been asked for by Norfolk County Council highways. Oulton Parish Council had highlighted issues with cumulative impact along B1149/The Street from two companies using the same route at the same time and its impact on one property and cumulative impact on local residents & businesses using those routes.

The Applicants Outline traffic management Plan which was submitted at deadline 8 gives their final position (this can also be viewed on OPC website) These include

Peak period restriction on the movement of HGV's along The Street (Link 68) from 07.30am-09.00am. Co-ordinating HGV delivery demand with local businessThe Contractor will engage with local businesses and the agricultural industry to identify periods when there is potential for high back ground demand on the highway network and will be encouraged to plan their works accordingly to avoid clashes with peak construction HGV demand. Special provisions will be made in the Communications Plan for co-ordination with deliveries relating to the agricultural businesses affecting the Street, Oulton.

Vattenfall Norfolk Vanguard has adopted the road mitigation scheme as proposed by Orsted Hornsea Three which is as follows...

The Street, Oulton proposed highway mitigation scheme

Improvement of existing bellmouth junction between The Street and the B1149 (Holt Road). Up to 8 passing places along The Street for HGV opposing traffic (using Grasscrete paving) resulting in an overall carriageway width of 6.0m. Widening of The Street near Dorking farm access (using full carriageway construction). Trimming, but no removal, of vegetation and trees along The Street. A means of priority work for southbound vehicles in the vicinity of The Old Railway Gatehouse with a view to minimising the potential for two opposing HGVs to pass by this property simultaneously while also serving as a means of speed attenuation and mitigation to improve noise and vibration risk. Temporary lowering of the existing 60mph speed limit to 30mph from the B1149 junction to the Hornsea Three main construction compound access. Temporary signage along the B1145 and The Street as agreed with the Highway Authority to provide driver awareness and enforcement. Re-grading of existing road hump on The Street in the vicinity of the Old Railway

019/024 PLANNING (ii) Windfarms (continued)

Gatehouse to minimise noise and vibration impacts on the Old Railway Gatehouse. Filter trench drainage of The Street along the regrading of the existing road hump. Optional Measure - Provision of acoustic glazing along the eastern façade (i.e. closest to The Street) and acoustic glazing on the bedroom window along the south-eastern façade of the Old Railway Gatehouse (subject to the landowner agreement); Optional Measure - Provision of acoustic glazing to the existing skylight at the Old Railway Gatehouse (subject to the landowner agreement) Optional Measure - Installation of a 2 m high acoustic barrier (wall) along the south-eastern boundary of the property (along the boundary to the garden) at the Old Railway Gatehouse, together with a 90 degree turn at the garden end for a minimum of 10m along the southern property boundary (to be located either within the highway boundary or on the landowner's property (subject to the landowner agreement)).

Vattenfall Norfolk Boreas which is a separate application, was submitted to the planning Inspectorate on the 11th June 2019, they will have 28 days to decide whether to accept it for Examination. Norfolk Vanguard will pre duct for Boreas if Development Consent Order is granted and Boreas will then be up to two years of cable pulling with a cable logistics area remaining in Oulton.

019/025 CLERK'S REPORT

- New website name is up-and-running: www.oultonparishcouncil.co.uk *Noted*
- Helen Bailey has now stepped down as General Manager at Blickling National Trust. *Mr Killingback and Ms Shaw to arrange to meet with her replacement to welcome her*
- Following a request it was **AGREED** to **NOT** make a donation to Age UK
- NCC will be running the Parish Partnerships Scheme again. The rules are virtually the same as last year. Applications by early December.

019/026 REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICIES

STANDING ORDERS: these had been reviewed by the Clerk and no changes were recommended. It was **AGREED** to adopt the Standing Orders. Financial Regulations will be reviewed at the next meeting

019/027 ITEMS OF INFORMATION / FUTURE AGENDA

Mr Nash reported that it may be necessary to purchase some new parts for the marquee.

019/028 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6 August 2019

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR THANKED EVERYONE FOR ATTENDING AND DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.54