

Great and Little Plumstead

P a r i s h C o u n c i l

A Meeting of Great & Little Plumstead Parish Council was held on Monday 11th October 2021 at 7.00pm at Octagon Barn, Octagon Business Park, Little Plumstead

PRESENT: Mr J Wiley (Chairman) Mr A Cawdron
Mr R Heath Mrs J Jones
Mr D Johnson Mr R Claxton
Mr S Vincent Mrs L Carty
Mrs M Bullen Mr G Edwards
Mrs T Scott (Clerk)

- **Police Report** – Thorpe End – 0, Little Plumstead – 17, Great Plumstead - 0
- **County Councillor Report** – Councillor Mackie joined the volunteers at the Walled Garden to unveil the plaque and fig tree dedicated to HRH The Prince Philip. The plans and programme for the roundabout between Thorpe End and Dussindale have been submitted. This is the part of the planned link road from the Business Park. Councillor Mackie extended his thanks to the residents of Thorpe End for their patience during the road works. Highways are reviewing the works and especially near the bus stops following concerns raised. Great Plumstead has had new white road markings painted. Councillor Mackie was pleased to see the developer plans for the path in Thorpe End, it would be a valuable contribution to the local green travel plans. Thanks were extended to all those who may have visited the Dussindale Centre exhibition on the Thorpe Woods development. Councillor Mackie continues to oppose the plans. Drainage will come across Plumstead Road and will be added to new pools in a wildlife area within Belmore Woods. The remaining woods will be transferred to a management company to ensure they are retained and managed. Government has announced its five point plan for Covid-19 response during winter. Details are available on Norfolk County Council's website. All over 50s can now have a booster plan, book via the national booking system or via your GP. Food vouchers for children eligible for free schools meals will continue for the October half term. *It was queried whether there is any pressure to replace the trees removed in the Thorpe Woods development, it was confirmed that Hill did not confirm but Councillor Mackie will keep the pressure on. Councillor Cawdron confirmed that the development didn't show how it links up with the Salhouse Road developments. Questions about the rain water for the Thorpe Woods development have not been explained.*
- **District Councillor Report** – Food waste collection will be extended to cover all of Broadland by 2023. The Walled Garden, Little Plumstead has won this year's Broadland Enhancement Award for the repair and restoration of the historic garden wall and the introduction of the café and shop. A carbon audit has been commissioned to act as the baseline to measure future reductions against. *Councillor Vincent confirmed that the Plumstead roundabout is going through CPO at the moment. Councillor Cawdron mentioned that the landscape plan is*

wrong, more trees are being removed than shown. The trod is included but only to Pound Lane.

- **Public Participation** – It was confirmed that white gates are coming to the Parish. Unfortunately we are still waiting for Highways to confirm the costs so that these can be installed. The flooding in Thorpe End is still a problem and needs to be investigating. This needs to be taken into consideration especially as the Salhouse Road developments are draining into these drains.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. TO APPROVE AS A TRUE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13th SEPTEMBER 2021

Agreed

4. TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT ON THE AGENDA: FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Ingram don't believe they have received anything, the Clerk will check the details which she holds. Morton have confirmed that they are happy with the repair works to the Walled Garden, Little Plumstead. The Walled Garden Group are happy to put a sign on the entrance to the community carpark detailing that people can park there, to try and stop issues with people parking on the road outside. Councillor Carty will seek Broadland District Council's permission to install. Councillor Heath met with some of the residents of Hamilton Close to discuss the Parish Council's plans for Rosebery Fields. Some concerns were raised but it was confirmed that the plans are inline with what is detailed in the planning application and in the Homebuyer's Flyer. The Parish Council is concentrating on the pathway and tree planting first and any play area will be the last item to be installed.

5. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

- BT internet cable – Church Road, Great Plumstead – The Parish Council are speaking with BT about the issues with one of the cables laying in the hedge which is then damaged when the hedge is cut. We are hoping to have this raised back into its normal position as soon as possible
- Road Closure – Plumstead Road – The road will be closed from 11pm on 12th October to 5am to 13th October for railway track MOT works.
- Broadland District Council's Gambling Policy Review – To view the draft policy – www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/gamblingpolicyreviewbdc. All comments to be received by 1st November 2021.
- Report from Little Plumstead Town Land Trust - The report from the Little Plumstead Town Land Trust has been received. They have increased the rent by 2% for 21/22.

There was a decrease in last year's numbers. The Trustees agreed to increase the amounts given to joint applicants to £80. The Trustees received an offer to purchase the land but choose to reject the offer to allow the land to be for the benefit of parishioners.

- Letter from developer of Smee Lane, Great Plumstead – The developer of this site has asked whether we would be interested in a short presentation. It was agreed on a pre-meeting next month (starting at 6pm).
- Thorpe End Pathway link proposal – The developers of the Salhouse Road development have asked whether parishioners would like to link the Thorpe End woodland pathway to the development to allow for a larger walk. The Parish Council has put this out and the majority was in favour, although concerns were raised about anti-social behaviour. The developer has put forward a plan showing what it would look like. The Councillors did raise the issues of safety around the pond. We need to see how this connects to the walkway at Heath Road.

6. TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council made the following comments on planning applications:

20211699	41 Plumstead Road, Thorpe End	Proposed two storey side and rear extension and single storey rear extension	No objections
20211661	Railway Farm, Norwich Road, Great Plumstead	Side extension to existing agricultural building	No objections. Comment – The application doesn't make any provision for staff facilities
20211743	Land at Smee Lane	Application for the approval of reserved matters for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for 272 dwellings pursuant to conditions 1, 2 and 11 of outline planning permission 20180193	It continues to be a disappointment to the Parish that top quality agricultural land is being sacrificed for dormitory developments without centres or supporting infrastructure for the well being of residents. Worse, that they are so totally personal vehicle centric and removed from public transport or alternative safe path/cycleway opportunities. Our Neighbourhood Plan requests that traffic assessments be made to show the impact of traffic on the Parish Road Network. If this proceeds as an independent development out of synchronicity with the proposed new link road and adjoining developments, it will generate firstly, one of the largest cul de sacs in the county and secondly, further strain on Green Lanes for vehicles travelling North. One trusts that construction traffic and workers access will not be permitted to use the Lane as (a) the railway bridge is low and could readily be damaged (b) the bridge road underpass floods on a regular and dangerous basis (c) the weight limit is supposed to not exceed 7.5 tonnes in any event. Although there is land allocated for a school, there is (a) little likelihood of delivery for 272 isolated dwellings and (b) no thought has been given to the road infrastructure for the inevitable "dropping off" debate and bus delivery. This implies that new families will have to use Green Lanes and Middle Road to deliver their children to Little
20211757	Land at Smee Lane	Details for conditions 8, 15 and 20 of 20180193 - (8) engineering scheme, (15) surface water drainage scheme, (20) roads,	

		footways, cycleways, foul & surface water drainage	Plumstead primary facilities and Green Lanes to Thorpe St Andrew Academy. (Could there not be a direct independent Cycle route to the Academy in the planning for these areas?)
20211758	Land at Smea Lane	Details for condition 9 of 20180193 - (9) noise assessment	<p>We believe the biggest concerns for residents with the proposals will be (a) the limited parking provisions for 1 or 2 BD properties which prove so problematical when each individual is required to have a car to get about (b) the maintenance costs for the extensive unadopted private driveways illustrated (c) the maintenance costs for the extensive landscaping. Will Anglian Water really be interested in maintaining the SUDS areas of the proposals as suggested ?</p> <p>It is also disappointing to see 19 trees of individual distinction taken down, full clearance of 9 groups and partial clearance of 4 from a total of 21 and four agricultural hedgerows removed. Together with the removal of topsoil, that is a large carbon and environmental sacrifice. There is little commitment to zero carbon housing, so once again we are witnessing inefficient and out of date low standards to our newest housing stock as a legacy.</p> <p>However, there is an overflow proposed from the attenuation basin into the main surface water drainage systems of the business park. Let us hope the capacity can cope when the surcharges of other developments (e.g. Brook and Laurel Farm) are added to the same system.</p>

7. TO DISCUSS PARISH PROJECTS

a. TO DISCUSS THE LEGAL ADVICE REQUESTED FOR WALLED GARDEN, LITTLE PLUMSTEAD

The Clerk is still waiting for a response from the Barrister. We have been informed that this will be received this Friday.

b. TO DISCUSS THE ARCHITECT QUOTES RECEIVED FOR GREAT PLUMSTEAD PLAYING FIELD

The sub-committee met with the four architects who had submitted quotes for this project. The idea of the meeting was to gather in extra information about the companies and their ideas for the project.

c. TO APPOINT ARCHITECT FOR GREAT PLUMSTEAD PROJECT

The Parish Council agreed to appoint Cannon Clarke for the project. This is up to the feasibility stage of the project only. Proposed – Councillor Cawdron, Seconded – Councillor Vincent. The next stage is to meet with the Bowls Club and the Scouts to see what requirements their buildings need.

d. TO DISCUSS THE TREE APPLICATIONS FOR ROSEBERY FIELDS

Councillor Johnson and the Clerk have submitted a request for the free trees project for this site. We are waiting to hear if we have been successful. The idea is to run a “plant a tree” day with parishioners.

e. TO APPROVE THE FLOOR PROTECTION FOR GREAT PLUMSTEAD PLAYING FIELD

Councillor Johnson was able to gather in a quote for the floor protection, unfortunately most of the contractors didn't respond. Proposed – Councillor Johnson. Seconded – Councillor Wiley. Monies to come from Section 106 Monies.

f. TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE GRANT REQUEST FROM GREAT PLUMSTEAD BOWLS CLUB

The quotes which have been received are unfortunately out of date. The roof quote can be scaled back in light of the future project of the site. Councillor Johnson is speaking with the Bowls Club to gather in up to date quotes.

8. TO DISCUSS THE REPAIRS NEEDED TO THORPE END BUS SHELTER (OPPOSITE ST DAVID'S DRIVE)

The area needs coating of wood preservative, coat of oil. Bench needs to be repaired. Cost £199. Proposed – Councillor Edwards. Seconded – Councillor Claxton.

9. TO DISCUSS THE FRIENDS OF LITTLE PLUMSTEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL REQUEST TO USE THE GREAT PLUMSTEAD PLAYING FIELD FOR MAY DAY FAYRE 2022

The Friends have asked if they could hire the Great Plumstead Field for their annual May Day Fayre in 2022. The Councillors approved this request, it will be subject to the normal rules of inspection.

10. TO AGREE PAYMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUDGET AS LISTED

The following accounts were agreed in accordance with the Budget:

Payments

Bank Balance	Nat West	£56,471.76	30.09.2021
Bank Balance	Scottish Widows	£40,797.56	31.03.2021
Bank Balance	Broadland Deposit Account	£136,846.84	31.04.2020
<u>Payments</u>			
T Scott		Salary and expenses	£1,148.58
HMRC		Monthly Payment	£92.93
Norfolk Pension Scheme		Monthly Payment	£378.38
B Y Training Services		Defibrillator and Cabinet	£1,510.00
Norfolk Parish Training & Support		Clerk Training	£62.00
Great Plumstead Village Hall		Hire - Architect Meeting	£15.00
Anglian Water		Water Rates	£334.61
PKF		External Auditor	£480.00
D J Johnson		Repairs to Thorpe End Bus Shelter	£199.00
		TOTAL	£4,220.50
<u>Receipts</u>			
Broadland District Council		Repayment of deposit balance	£270.27
Broadland District Council		Precept - Second Instalment	£23,947.50
		TOTAL	£24,217.77
Outstanding Cheques			
Simons Landscape		Rosebery Fields - Clearing	25610.00
Arthur J Gallagher		Insurance - Extra Premium	271.68
		TOTAL	£25,881.68

Current Account Balance after above payments made and outstanding cheques cleared will be approximately			
			£50,587.35
* already included in the accounts stated above			

a. TO AGREE REPAIR WORKS TO BROADMEAD GREEN RAILING

The rails and the bench on Broadmead Green are in need to repair works. Works to cost £70.

11. TO AGREE THE APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 2021/22

Agreed. Parish Council will use same auditor as before – Catherine Moore.

12. TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING OF GREAT AND LITTLE PLUMSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

The date of the next meeting is Monday 8th November 2021 at 7.00pm at Octagon Barn, Octagon Business Park, Little Plumstead.

13. TO RECEIVE ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: