

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 13th March 2023 at 7.00pm at Little Plumstead Village Hall

PRESENT: Mr J Wiley (Chairman) Mr S Vincent (Vice-Chairman)
Mr A Cawdron Mr R Claxton
Mr G Edwards Mr R Heath
Mr D Johnson Mrs J Jones
Mr P Knowles
Mrs T Scott (Clerk)

- **Police Report** – January 2023 - Thorpe End – 0, Little Plumstead – 8, Great Plumstead - 2
- **County Councillor Report** – Councillor Mackie has met with neighbourhood and engagement police in the last two weeks to discuss local matters, mostly highway concerns. The issue of the unofficial bike and car meets, especially on Broadland Business Park and A47 was raised. This is an ongoing issue, especially in the summer. The police are currently undertaking various activities, which Councillor Mackie couldn't elaborate on. There will be plans to tackle anti-social behaviour. This was also raised with the Police and Crime Commissioner at a recent meeting in Thorpe.
- **District Councillor Report** – For a second year in a row BDC is freezing its portion of the Council tax. *Councillor Vincent confirmed that no services were being cut to be able to do this. This was achieved by a number of reasons included maintaining services and the move to the new building will reduce costs.* The County Deal consultation closes on the 20th March, all papers and details are on the website. The consultation for the gypsy and traveller sites has been extended to 20th March. Details are available at www.gnlp.co.uk. BDC continues to reduce its carbon footprint to achieve net carbon zero by 2030. Action already taken or currently being implemented will see over an 85% reduction in its carbon footprint, these include greener fuel in our waste collection fleet, improving the buildings and replacing streetlights with led lighting.
- **Public Participation** – None

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Bullen and Carty

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. TO APPROVE AS A TRUE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13TH FEBRUARY 2023

Agreed

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

Councillor Jones asked if the hedging on Hospital Road, Little Plumstead could be pushed again. This will also be reported to Highways as well as pushed with Cripps. The pathway on Water Lane, Great Plumstead has been reported to Highways as the undergrowth is narrowing the pathway again.

5. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

- **Parish Elections 4th May 2023** – Reminder that the Parish and District elections take place on the 4th May. All nomination papers must be submitted by 4th April at 4pm. Papers are available at BDC or Parish Council website.
- **County Deal for Norfolk – Consultation** – Open until 20th March. Further details available at Norfolk County Council’s website.
- **NALC – Deal for Norfolk – 14th March 2023** – Open for attendance by the Councillors.
- **GNLP – Consultation extension** – Period of extension for the Gypsy and Traveller Sites has been extended to 20th March 2023.
- **Parish Partnership Bid – SAM2 Sign** – Confirmation that the Parish Council were successful in their bid. The Councillors we will look at the approved sites and plan where the SAM2 sign will rotate.
- **Reinstatement of the Postwick Park and Ride Service** – The Councillors asked for more information before they can confirm to support the letter.
- **Bi-monthly Rough Sleeper Count** – None have been reported.
- **Dog Bin on Salhouse Road, Little Plumstead** – A parishioner has reported that the bin next to the bus shelter on Salhouse Road is being used for dog poo bags. Councillor Johnson will look into the placing of this bin. The Parish Council will look to see if a new dog bin can be built into next year’s budget.

6. TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council made the following comments on planning applications:

20230402	Smee Farm, Smee Lane, Great Plumstead	New concrete floor, remedial works to stabilise the north gable wall, stabilise repair cracked brickwork, remedial works to stabilise racking of roof structure	No objection
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7. TO DISCUSS PARISH PROJECTS

a. GREAT PLUMSTEAD RECREATIONAL PROJECT – UPDATE

The quantity surveyor valued the project at £2m which makes it unviable for the Parish Council. The project will be relooked at and will go for a more pre-fabricated building. The footprints will be kept the same but will better buildings. Unfortunately, the architects didn't stick to our budget of £500,000 which was stated at the time of the tender process. The Clerk will organise a meeting with the architects and the Councillors to discuss the project and also the latest submitted invoice. The Councillors did not agree the invoice, it is based on a final figure given by the quantity surveyor and not the tender figure. The Councillors discussed that it should be discussed with the architects that the project with them might be at an end. Proposed Councillor Cawdron, Seconded Councillor Johnson. All agreed.

b. ROSEBERY FIELD – OPENING DATE AND UPDATE

The field is due to be opened on 15th March. The dog bin and “dogs in lead” signage has been erected. The carpark will not be opened for the time being.

c. PADGATE PLAY AREA – UPDATE

Sutcliffe have confirmed that the project's start date will be the 18th April 2023. The site is likely to be closed for a month but it may open earlier if works run smoothly.

8. 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	£9,419.15	28.02.2023
Bank Balance	Scottish Widows	£40,882.76	31.01.2023
Bank Balance	Broadland Deposit Account	£335,485.48	31.03.2022
Payments			
T Scott		Salary and expenses	£1,247.60
HMRC		Monthly Payment	£96.70
Norfolk Pension Scheme		Monthly Payment	£417.36
Natwest		Bank Charges	£5.95
David Bracey		External play area inspection	£198.00
		TOTAL	£1,965.61
Receipts			
Allotment		Plot 11a	£18.00
Allotment		Plot 10b	£18.00
		TOTAL	£36.00
Outstanding Cheques			
Innershed		Email renewal	£67.20
J Cator		Sandhole Lane - Annual Rental	£163.50
Norfolk Pension Scheme		Monthly payment	£417.36
ICO		Data Protection Fee	£40.00
National Allotment Society		Membership fee	£30.00
Broadland District Council		Dog and Litter Bin	£474.24

Target Trees		Thorpe End - Oak Tree	£1,200.00
Target Trees		Great Plumstead - Hedge Cutting	£2,400.00
		TOTAL	£4,792.30
Current Account Balance after above payments made and outstanding cheques cleared will be approximately			
			£2,697.24
* already included in the accounts stated above			

Proposed Councillor Johnson. Seconded Councillor Vincent. All agreed.

Bank Balance	Unity Bank	£88,145.37	28.02.23
<u>Payments</u>			
Glasdon		Bins	£960.77
Daniel Connal Partnership		Quantity Surveyor - GP Project	£864.00
D J Johnson		Refund - Dog Signs - Rosebery Field	24.96
D J Johnson		Refund - Bin accessories	£271.15
		TOTAL	£2,120.88
<u>Receipts</u>			
		TOTAL	£0.00
Outstanding Cheques			
		TOTAL	£0.00
Current Account Balance after above payments made and outstanding cheques cleared will be approximately			
			£86,024.49
* already included in the accounts stated above			

Proposed Councillor Jones. Seconded Councillor Edwards. All agreed.

The Clerk confirmed that there was an error with the J Cator cheque, this will be corrected with Natwest. Natwest has confirmed that the account has been changed back to a charity account which means that we will no longer be charged for transactions, all charges back to Q4 will be refunded shortly.

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

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 11th April 2023 at 7.00pm at Great Plumstead Village Hall.

10. TO RECEIVE ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: