## FOXLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of FOXLEY PARISH COUNCIL on **Thursday 1st December 2022** at 7:30pm in FOXLEY VILLAGE HALL

Present: N. Mears (NM), G Blyth (GB), G Blatchford (GWB), Ali Blatchford (clerk).

Members of the public: 1

1. Apologies for absence: None received
2. Declarations of Interest by Council Members in items on the agenda and any applications for dispensation.

GB in her role as treasurer of Foxley Village Hall Committee

GB interest in Planning permission at The Old Forge – Tree reduction

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 18th August 2022 were approved and signed.

Proposed: MW Seconded: GWB

1. Items from last meeting, not on this agenda - report progress:
   1. Filing cabinet this was purchased but was smaller than expected. Linda Rose has a larger filing cabinet at home and is happy to swap this. Agreed by councillors that this was okay.
   2. Path on A1067 beside Floranova has tree roots coming through which is a trip hazard. Clerk reported to Highways. Highways advised they will deal with this problem.
   3. Sink hole outside Everglades on Old Fakenham Rd. Clerk reported to Highways – work completed mid November 2022.
   4. Straw on The Street. Nicky Mears spoke to farmers they had promised to clear it up but failed to do so. We will try again next year and speak to them before harvest. May contact the Community Police Officer in 2023 nearer the time to see if they can help.
   5. Breckland Mobile Shop – advised they have already amended routing recently but have added us to the list for when they do the next changes
2. Planning applications

5.1. Two Cottages, The Street, NR20 4QP. Replacement dwelling. 3PL/2021/1542/F - Permission granted

5.2. Poultry Farm Bungalow applied to extend present property to a second storey. 3PL/2022/0849/HOU Permission granted and work started.

5.3. Foxley Lodge, Old Fakenham Road, NR20 4QJ. Replacement of metal paddock gate at the front of the property with gated entrance in Georgian Style. 3PL/2022/0953/HOU - Permission granted

5.4 The Old Forge, Mill Road, NR20 4T. Oak tree located at front of property. Application for 2ft crown-lift to 12ft above ground level. 2.5m crown reduction with 3m reduction in height (Tree Work App TPO).

TRE/2022/0301/TPO #

There was no objections to the work to be carried. Clerk to advise Breckland Council Planning.

1. Memorial for the airmen killed in Foxley during WW2, formation of a committee has happened but no meeting has not been arranged.
2. Co-option of Parish Councillor, presuming Linda Rose is still willing.

Linda Rose willing to stand. All the necessary paperwork is to be completed in the coming weeks.

1. Provision of a camera in the A1067 lay-by. Clerk to email Gordon Bambridge District Councillor to see if anything can be done.
2. NALC offering Parish Councils a gov.uk email address for the Clerk and Councillors free or at cost. It was agreed to register our interest and to find out more when it was available.
3. Finance
   1. Clerk salary. Hourly rate of £14.21 Total salary for 3 months equals £631.63 was agreed, proposed by MW and seconded by GB
   2. To approve and sign the Summary of Accounts for the period from 18th August 2022 to 27th November 2022 agreed, proposed by GBl seconded by MW
   3. Authorise payments at the foot of the agenda. Agreed by NM and seconded by MW
4. Discuss the budget for 2023/24
   1. Precept. It was agreed to increase to £5200.
   2. It was agreed to increase the payment to Reeves Tale to £200, as it is a good source of information for the residents.
   3. Contingency was left in, just in case it is need in the future regarding Planning of new town.
5. To receive and consider any items raised by members of the public, including “highways” matters.
   1. Bawdeswell Heath Trustees have obtained and installed 2 bins either end of the heath, As highways confirmed they owned this land, it was passed back to Bawdeswell Heath Trust to recontact Breckland Council to get the bins emptied.

12.2. Themelthorpe Road along Foxley Woods. This is getting very uneven and the middle of the road is much higher and could damage the underneath of low sitting cars. Clerk to contact Highways.

* 1. John Hoskins from Bintree County School emailed to talk/discuss the proposed new town consisting of 5000 new homes. It was agreed that at this time we do not need to meet but we would be actively involved if/when the time arose.

1. Thanks, given everyone who helped with the litter picking and general tidy/cleaning of the village.
2. Matters going forward:
   1. Update financial regulations, to follow, once the banking has been sorted. Still outstanding until the banking is transferred over to new Parish Clerk
3. Next Meeting 23 February 2023 at 7.30pm at Foxley Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 21:10.