

Minutes of a Meeting of Bergh Apton Parish Council held on Wednesday 22nd February 2006 at Bergh Apton Parish Hall Commencing at 7.30pm

1 Members

Parish Members present: Mrs Alison Freeman (Chair); Mrs Jean Bobbin, Mr Derek Blake
Mr Chris Johnson, David Skedge
Apologies: Mr John Ling, Cllr Adrian Gunson, Cllr John Fuller
In attendance: Mrs P Fuller (Clerk) and 2 members of the public

2 Declaration of Interest

Derek Blake declared an interest, as a District Councillor from now on he must declare an interest at parish meetings in respect of planning applications as he is a member of a planning committee.

3 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Sally Leigh proposed and Derek Blake seconded that the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 25th January 2006 are a true account. The Minutes were signed by The Chairman.

3.1 Matters Arising

Alison Freeman reported that John Ling would like the councillors' reports to take a non-political stance and he would like to bring this up at the next meeting.

4 Public Consultation

2 members of the public spoke during the public consultation.

5 District and County Councillors' Reports

Both District and County Councilors were absent at another meeting in Woodton.

6 Finance

6.1 Annual Audit Return

The Annual Audit Return has been sent back and times will be advertised on the Parish notice board for members of the public to view the accounts if they wish.

6.2 The Clerk's Report

Cheques were signed for the playground inspection for £66.98, J&H Bunn for hosting of the Bergh Apton Website £58.75 and the Clerk's salary and expenses £517.09. Sally Leigh thanked John Fuller – District Councillor for his help on the website and 'for rescuing us when there are problems' and she explained that the Parish Council save a significant amount of money by having J&H Bunn host the website.

6.3 Request for funding for Bergh Apton Newsletter

It was unanimously agreed to fund the newsletter at a sum of £50

6.4 Funding for Health and Hygiene Course

As of January 1st 2006 European guidelines mean that someone has to be trained in health and hygiene – Derek Blake has agreed to attend a further training course to attain a certificated skill in this

subject. Derek has sourced funding for the course from community champions a fund-granting body for £340. Sally Leigh proposed and Chris Johnson seconded that the Parish Council act as a facilitator in receiving the funds from the grant-making body and then settling the invoice from City College who are running the course.

7 Parish Plan Implementation

The Parish Plan sub-committee will meet on 13th March.

8 Closed Landfill Site

The Chairman has circulated the draft lease submitted by NCC. Another sub-committee meeting has been arranged for 13th March. The lease will be for three years initially and year to year thereafter. Norfolk County Council requires that there is a £5 million public liability insurance. **Action: Clerk** to find out and confirm if our existing cover is sufficient for this additional responsibility or whether the proposed area should be mentioned as an individual item on our policy. Derek Blake will approach WREN with a view to obtaining a sum of money to help with revamping the landfill site.

9 Planning

From now on plans will be available on www.south-norfolk.gov.uk for all to view

9.1 Planning Applications

The Old Barns, White Horse Farm, School Road
Proposal: Conversion of redundant barns to dwelling with garage and annexe
Applicant: Mr and Mrs A Buford - **Approve for listed building consent**

Holly Cottage, The Street
Proposal: single and two storey extensions to provide new 4 bedroom family home.
Applicant: Mr and Mrs M Price – **Approve**

Cosy Nook, Threadneedle Street Ref: 2006/0239/H
Proposal: 2 storey extension
Applicant: Ms H Loveday and Mr S Bailey - **Approve**

9.2 Planning Decisions

Chet Cottage, Sunnyside
Proposal: Small extension to kitchen of existing dwelling
Applicant: Mr J A Farrant – **Approved**

10 Correspondence

South Norfolk Area Forum (East) will meet at The Hollies, The High Street, Loddon on 7th March at 7.30pm all are welcome to attend.

The Parish Council nominated David Skedge as its nominated representative to the village hall management committee. **Action: Clerk**

Letter from planning Services at SNDC - South Norfolk Development Framework with sites suggested by developers and landowners for development over the next 15 years – No additional sites in Bergh Apton other than the 3 sites proposed and shown on a map to Parishioners at Parish Plan Launch.

11 Forthcoming Meetings

29/3/06; 26/4/06 Annual Parish Meeting; 03/05/06 AGM; 14/6/06; 26/07/06; 06/09/06; 11/10/06; 22/11/06

Meeting Closed at 9.10pm

Philippa Fuller, Clerk