

Minutes of a Meeting of Bergh Apton Parish Council On Wednesday, 26th February 2014 at 7.30pm At The Village Hall Members Present

Parish Members Present
Richard Herring(Chair), Bob Kerry, Jacqueline Byford,
Karen Myhill
In attendance:
Clerk, County Councillor Adrian Gunson and 4 members of the public
Apologies
There were 2 apologies for absence – John Fuller and Derek Blake

1 Apologies For Absence and Declarations of Interest

There was 2 apologies for absence.

2 Minutes of Meeting Held on 15th January 2014

The minutes of the last meeting on 15th January 2014 were approved.

3 Matters Arising

4 Public Consultation

4.1 District Councillor's Report

4.2 County Councillor's Report

Adrian Gunson reported that he had written to the project director to try to improve the broadband speed in Bergh Apton (they are committed to providing 2 mbps as a minimum). The Trowse bypass is to be surface dressed next year now not this year. The Council tax remains unchanged for 5 years now in succession – the Government give £3million if you don't increase council tax. Loddon has been given permission for 200 new houses planned for the George Lane site, Mr Gunson reported his concern about the surface water drainage in George Lane in front of the Jubilee Hall and the affect the development could have on the sewerage pumping station at Loddon Mill.

The Chairman re-opened the Parish Council Meeting.

5 Finance

5.1 Grant Request – Rev'd Peter Knight to support the youth work of BYRUS £100 agreed

5.2 Repairs to Parish noticeboard £20 Shaun Myhill

6 Ideas for use of phone boxes

Karen Myhill has researched containers suitable for holding leaflets containing village information – Just finalising prices.

7 Scop Hill

Nothing to report

8 Planning Applications

Cherry Tree Cottage, Bussey Bridge – demolition of existing 2-storey rear extension and construction of new 2-storey extension linked to existing cottage - APPROVED

9 Planning Approval

9.1 HWRC Variation to condition 2 of planning permission ref. C/7/2012/7009 to allow amendment of infiltration basin layout - APPROVED

10 Events and Correspondence

- 10.1 Conservation Status – Clerk to contact the landowners of the parkland bordering the northside of Threadneedle Street and Cookes Road and including land to the south of Cookes Road and south of Dodgers Lane to Pond Farm. David Skedge would like to propose this land as a new Conservation Area.
- 10.2 Flood Cookes Road – Kevin Parfitt is dealing with the flood which has occurred as a result of blocked pipes from the overflowing pond adjacent to the road. Bob Kerry to investigate who owns the land.
- 10.3 Avenue Solar Farm – For Information
- 10.4 Response from Highways re. proposed re-siting of phone box – Bob Edwards from County Highway Department has confirmed the following ‘This piece of Street Furniture has existed for a number of decades. The fact that it has changed ownership (from BT to the Parish Council) makes no difference. It is an established piece of Street Furniture and does not require a retrospective licence’

11 Items for Future Agendas

Dates of future Meetings: 16th April, 14th May AGM/APM, 18th June, 30th July, 3rd September, 26th November, 7/8th January 2015

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm