

STANFIELD PARISH MEETING

Minutes of the Annual Stanfield Parish Meeting held on Monday 13th May 2019 at 7.00 pm in St Margaret's Church.

Present:- 8 Residents, District Dist. Trevor Carter and Mrs G Hubbard, Clerk to the Parish Council.

1. Welcome and to receive apologies for absence

The Chairman of the Parish Council welcomed those present and said it was pleasurable to see some residents attending. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M Kiddle-Morris. There were no other apologies received.

2. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on May 14th 2018

The minutes had been circulated. Mr Britton proposed the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record. Mr Thompson seconded the proposal and they were signed by Mr Duffield.

3. To discuss any matters from the minutes of May 14th

There were no matters arising.

4. To receive a report from the County Councillor of N.C.C.

Cllr Kiddle-Morris had produced a very informative report and sent it to the Clerk. N.C.C. agreed a net revenue budget of £409.293m on 11th February. Council tax will rise by 2.99%, adding £39.51 per year to a Band D property and the adult social care charge of a further 3% rise was not to be made. The report covered various financial information, the problems with Children's services, Highways matters, the reversion last May to the Cabinet system, and superfast broadband. His report will be attached to the minutes.

To receive a report from the Breckland District Councillor.

Cllr Carter delivered an informative report. He explained that Breckland has £1.4m committed to help support the residents and gave a description of the intentions. He also spoke about Market Town Initiatives, the Innovation Den, the Breckland Lottery, the Breckland Landlord Forum Launch, Co-Location of the Department of Work and Pensions into the Breckland Office and the National Awards Shortlist. He also explained in great detail about how Breckland is supporting businesses to thrive, such as creating a Regeneration Team, the project Tripstart, Footway Lighting, the Local Plan, 300 houses on the Kingsfleet site in Thetford, 4,000 houses in Attleborough, plus other projects planned in Litcham and Attleborough. The entire report will be attached to the minutes.

Cllr Carter is involved with fly tipping and received an award because of the number of fly tips he had reported. He also received a reward for helping people receive help over planning issues.

A resident present asked if Breckland was doing anything about the congestion problem in Dereham but Cllr Carter stated Breckland could not help with this ongoing problem. Discussion also took place regarding the illegal caravan on Back Lane. Enforcement work is weak because there are now only 2 not 4 Enforcement Officers. It is thought that one family have moved on.

5. To receive a report from the Chairman of the Parish Council

The usual day to day business has been carried out throughout the year. The unusual business is the illegal caravan on Back Lane and an enforcement notice has been served. Planning

permission was not granted for 4 dwellings. Mr Jenkins is carrying out a great job grass cutting. I would like to thank my fellow Councillors and the Clerk for their support throughout the year.

6. To receive a report from St Margaret's Church

Mrs Daniels reported that the jobs listed in the quinquennial report last year have been completed, apart from fixing loose splines to the Chancel ceiling. The Bell Frame is safe and the bells are standing on strong boards. Other work has to be completed within 12 months to 5 years. Mr Jenkins does a good job grass cutting and positive comments have been made. The Church is grateful to Lyn Walker and Ian and Jackie Thompson for their hard fundraising work. The 100 Club raised £331.00 and the Tractor Run £700.00. Thanks to Jane Pearson for organising the fantastic concert which raised £1,121.00. A generous donation of £738.00 was also received. All the quota share of £3,600.00 was paid. It has been reduced this year to £2,875.00 but will then increase annually by 15%. The attendance is poor but a few people from other villages come along sometimes and the Church is surviving at the moment. Mrs Daniels presented the Stanfield Parish Church end of year accounts up to 31st December 2018 and was thanked for her report. Her report and the accounts will be attached to the minutes.

7. To receive any other reports available

The Horticultural Day was a great success and £1,200.00 was raised. There will be a change regarding the charity that will benefit and this year the money will be given to The XLP Research Trust. This charity supports X-linked Lymph proliferative Syndrome families.

The Clerk had received a report from Paula Gilluleu, Police Community Engagement Officer, and it will be attached to the minutes.

8. To discuss any other future village plans

It is hoped that the Village Picnic will take place in the summer. Also it is the intention of a resident to try to organize the Scarecrow competition again this year.

9. To discuss the Draft end of year accounts

The Clerk distributed a summary of the Parish Council's income and expenditure to those present. There were no questions asked.

10. To discuss any other business

There was no further business to discuss.

12. To confirm date and time of next Annual Parish meeting

The next Annual Meeting of the Parish was set for Monday 11th May 2020 at 7.00 pm. This will be followed at 7.30 p.m. by the Annual Parish Council meeting.

Mr Duffield declared the meeting closed at 7.30 pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Chairman



Date 10/5/21