

Woodbastwick Parish Council

Incorporating Ranworth and Panxworth

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 9th November 2011 in Ranworth Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Present: Sue Hitchcock (Chairman) Barbara Garrett
 Kit Cator Roy Champion
 Five residents were present.

1. Apologies:

Nicola Cohen Maggie Manton Mike Deveson
PCSO Bob Hall

2. Declarations of Interest:

None.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting dated 14th September 2011 were agreed to be correct, and were signed by Sue Hitchcock, as Chairman of the Parish Council.

4. Matters Arising:

- 4.1 Woodforde's have written to thank the Council for their lobbying of Norfolk County Council to add the road to Primrose Corner to the gritting routes.
- 4.2 The clerk was asked to contact Highways about adding a SLOW on the road approaching Ranworth Church from Woodbastwick.
- 4.3 A letter of thanks has been received for the donation towards the framing of the embroidery of the benefice.
- 4.4 The meeting was informed that the Police regularly carry out speed checks on Salhouse Road. The Police do not carry out speed checks in Panxworth itself as there is nowhere safe to pull over drivers who are breaking the speed limit.
- 4.5 It was agreed to request a brown tourist sign for the junction of Ranworth Road with The Street in South Walsham, featuring symbols for boats, church and wildlife.

5. Correspondence:

- 5.1 It was agreed to give a donation of £50 to the Royal British Legion (LGA 1972 s.137).
- 5.2 Broadland District Council has sent details of the Community Infrastructure Levy – a charge on developers to pay for local infrastructure; as no housing is planned for the parishes there will be no CIL for the parish.

- 5.3 The Police sent a report of three recorded crimes since the last meeting.
- 5.4 NCC have sent details of the Better Broadband for Norfolk campaign; residents will be encouraged to register their interest in the New Year.
- 5.5 It was agreed to write to Keith Simpson about dualling A47 after the recent accident.
- 5.6 The Boundary Commission is consulting on proposed changes; there are no changes to these parishes.

6. Financial Matters:

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| | £ | |
| Balance b/f at 14th September 2011 | | 1,480.41 |
| Receipts: | | |
| Reimbursement re training | | 118.75 |
| Cheques for Payment: | | |
| Cheques cancelled: | | |
| HMRC – PAYE September | | (24.00) |
| HMRC – PAYE October | | (24.00) |
| Acle PC – share of exps | | 13.06 |
| P James – clerk’s fee, less PAYE | | 192.30 |
| Clerk’s expenses | | 25.23 |
| HMRC – PAYE 4 months | | 96.20 |
| Ranworth Embroidery | | 50.00 |
| NCC – village nameplate | | 352.74 |
| Ranworth Village Hall - hire of room | | 15.00 |
| Royal British Legion s.137 donation | | <u>50.00</u> |
| Balance c/f at 9th November 2011 | | 852.63 |
| Savings Account | | <u>5,616.83</u> |
| Total Monies | | <u>£6,469.46</u> |

The above invoices were approved for payment.

7. Path from Panxworth to Sotshole in Ranworth:

NCC asked the clerk to send a formal Notice of Application to Mr & Mrs Everson, who rent some of the land; this has been done and copied to NCC.

NCC sent a map and asked the Council to confirm the route of the path. This was confirmed.

A few more evidence forms have been received and sent off to NCC.

8. Fairhaven Trust Land in Ranworth:

It was suggested that some replacement planting along the bridleway is needed for those plants which died. The work on cutting back the bracken has not yet been done.

9. Change of name of the Parish:

There was some discussion about changing the name of the parish, to add Ranworth and Panxworth into the name. After some consideration, it was agreed to add “incorporating Ranworth and Panxworth” to all letter headings etc.

10. BDC’s Review of Polling Places:

Broadland District Council asked if the three parishes could agree to use just one venue for polling as that would save costs. The clerk was asked to find out how many people attended at each venue, Ranworth and Woodbastwick.

11. Highways Matters:

11.1 The councillors remained concerned about vehicle speeds through Panxworth. The clerk was asked to contact NCC again to ask about “gateways” at the entrance to the village and to consider any other ideas.

11.2 NCC has sent details of partnership working with parish councils; this was not felt to be relevant to small parishes.

12. Planning:

12.1 Mr Beattie, 2 The Old Foundry, Panxworth – conversion of garage to additional habitable accommodation. The councillors had no objections to the plans.

12.2 Sue Hitchcock had sent a letter to BDC complaining about the lack of weight given to parish council comments in planning committee meetings. The planning officer has offered to attend a meeting to discuss this. This was welcomed.

13. Environmental Matters:

13.1 Ranworth Staithe: councillors Sue Hitchcock, Maggie Manton and Roy Champion met with John Packman from the Broads Authority on 28th October, together with the manager of the pub, the post office owner, a representative from the Norfolk Wildlife Trust and Charles Cator.

The residents told the Broads Authority that the arrangement with the NWT was not working with regard to the policing of the moorings. John Packman was again asked to fund a part-time warden to manage the staithe. He said that the Authority did not have the money to pay for a warden. He disagreed with the suggestion that visitor should be charged to moor at the staithe. There was some suggestion of a Sustainable Development Grants for village projects.

There will be another meeting in January.

Roy Champion offered to speak to a solicitor informally about the issues.

The clerk was asked to contact John Packman to repeat the Council’s request for a warden funded by the Authority.

14. Public Forum:

14.1 There was some discussion about the Maltsters car park being used for overnight parking.

- 14.2 It was suggested that the dog bin might be moved slightly at the staithe so that it is more visible to visitors. The clerk will ask BDC for their comments.
- 14.3 It was suggested that after Ranworth staithe was sold to Blakes it was then sold on to Hoseasons.
- 14.4 There was also a discussion about people being charged to moor at the staithe
- 15. Any Other Business:**
- 15.1 The bank mandate form will have to be re-done as the original one has been lost by the bank.
- 15.2 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11th January 2012 at Woodbastwick Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.20 p.m.

Signed.....
Chairman

Dated: 11th January 2012