



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CREETING ST. PETER PARISH COUNCIL
THE CHURCH HALL, THE LANE, CREETING ST. PETER, SUFFOLK, IP6 8QR

Monday 20th January 2025 – 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr. Valladares (Chair)
Cllr. Singh (Vice-Chair)

Cllr. Mason

Also in attendance was the Parish Clerk and four (4) members of the public.

066. APOLOGIES AND ACCEPTANCE FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr. Bridges.

067. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

None.

068. TO RECEIVE APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18th NOVEMBER 2024 FROM THOSE MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes from the meetings on the 18th November 2024. All in favour.

069. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Signed:.....

Dated:.....

None.

070. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR

There were no member of the public expressing an interest. It was **AGREED** to advertise the vacancy on Facebook and Whatsapp.

071. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Cllr. Valladares had nothing to report at this time.

072. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

County Cllr. K. Welham invited questions on his December and January reports. It was reported that devolution was likely to be delayed and a meeting would be held on 8th February to take a vote on whether or not Suffolk County Council would support the government's plans for a Mayoral authority for Norfolk and Suffolk and the move to Unitary authorities in the same area in some form.

It was also asked if the Locality Grant payment for the Speed Indicator Device had been received. It was confirmed that it had not yet.

It was also reported that a representative from the Woodland Trust was offering free trees for schools and local organisations to encourage biodiversity. It was **AGREED** the the representative would contact the Parish Clerk with more information to consider.

073. REPORT FROM DESIGNATED DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

District Cllr. Piper presented his monthly report and invited questions, there were none.

074. FINANCIAL MATTERS 2024/5

074.1 Confirmation of Bank Balances (31st December 2024)

074.1.1 Current Account (£1,024.82)

The balance was confirmed as being correct.

074.1.2 Play Area Reserve (£4,734.00)

The balance was confirmed as being correct.

Signed:.....

Dated:.....

074.1.3 Fen Alder Reserve (£2,839.56)

The balance was confirmed as being correct.

074.1.4 Lottery Account (£4,459.76)

The balance was confirmed as being correct.

074.1.5 General Reserve (£2,822.18)

The balance was confirmed as being correct.

074.2 Bank Account Receipts

Reserve Bank Interest (£55.88) (2 December 2024)

The above amount was confirmed as being received.

074.3 Review of Receipts/Budget & Payments/Budget reports (31 December 2024)

The report was discussed and **APPROVED**.

074.4 Review & approval of bank reconciliation (31 December 2024)

The report was **NOTED** and **APPROVED**. Cllr. Valladares signed the appropriate document.

074.5 Review and approval of payments and Online Authorisation

It was **AGREED** to make the payments detailed on the report, Cllrs. Valladares and Mason were authorised to make the online payments, all in favour.

074.6 Review of Internal Control Checklist and Lead Appointment

The checklist was **APPROVED** and Cllr. Singh was appointed to work through the list with the Responsible Financial Officer and report back to the March meeting, all in favour.

075. FINANCIAL MATTERS 2025/6

075.1 Signing of Precept Request Form

Signed:.....

Dated:.....

The form was **AGREED** and signed by the Chair and Parish Clerk and Cllr. Mason as required. The Parish Clerk was authorized to send in the precept request to Mid Suffolk District Council as soon as possible, all in favour.

076. GENERAL MATTERS

076.1 Update on Locality Grant application for play area

It was **AGREED** to send around the engagement form to all Councillors and to make a decision at the March meeting, all in favour.

076.2 Update on SAM camera data

Cllr. Mason was thanked for installing the device in the agreed place. Cllr. Singh offered to download the data and forward to the Parish Clerk on the first of every month.

076.3 Update on scanning of Council documents

The Parish Clerk reported that a further 90 documents had been scanned and indexed. It was **AGREED** to take the matter to the March meeting to decide if this should continue into the new financial year.

076.4 Mid-Suffolk District Council Local Plan update

It was **NOTED** that there would be an increase in the housing targets to 734 which was a 37% increase.

077. PLANNING MATTERS

077.1 Change of use of part of existing grass meadow to create an enclosed dog walking/exercise facility and new vehicular access.
Land adj. Flint Hall, Mill Lane - DC/24/05475

The application was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to unanimously **SUPPORT**.

078. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

078.1 Play Areas

Nothing further for meeting.

078.2 Highways Issues

Nothing for meeting.

078.3 Footpaths

Nothing for meeting.

078.4 Defibrillator

It was **NOTED** that the pads for the device had now been changed.

078.5 Gateway 14

Cllr. Singh reported that there had been issues with access and a closure of a footpath at the end of Mill Lane which did not have prior notification. Cllr. Mason also reported that the new floodlights were pointed towards the village. D Cllr. Piper agreed to take both concerns to the relevant authority.

078.6 Norwich to Tilbury Consultation

Nothing for meeting.

079. EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

Cllr. Mason reported that several drains in the village were blocked, Anglian Water had attended but flooding was still happening.

Cllr. Mason also reported on speeding bin lorries through the village. D Cllr. Piper agreed to contact the relevant department at Mid Suffolk District Council and report back.

Cllr. Singh reported that there had been no further issues concerning cold calling.

080. DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

This next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 17th March 2025 at 7.30pm, in The Church Hall, The Lane.

The meeting then closed at 8.17pm.

Signed:.....

Dated:.....