

COUNCIL MEETING – 5 SEPTEMBER 2018

At the meeting of the Sprowston Town Council held at Sprowston Diamond Centre, School Lane, Sprowston on Wednesday 5 September 2018, the following Members were present:-

Mr K Lashley – Chairman

Mr W F Couzens - Mrs B J Lashley
Mrs S L England - Mrs J Leggett
Mr R A Fowkes - Mr B Osborne
Mr R J Knowles - Ms C T Rumsby
Mr J M Ward

In attendance

Mrs J Hunt - Town Clerk and Responsible
Financial Officer
Mrs E Elliot - Committee Officer

2 members of the public were present

18/200. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTERESTS

Member	Minute No. and Heading	Nature of Interest
Mrs J Leggett	Minute 18/208 5.2	Chairman Broadland District Council
Ms C T Rumsby	Minute 18/208 5.2	Associated as a Trustee

18/201. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Written apologies for absence were received and accepted by the Council from Mr N Shaw and verbal apologies from Mr I Moncur.

18/202. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council's meeting held on 5 September 2018, having previously been circulated to all Members were confirmed and signed by the Chairman of the Council.

18/203. POLICE LIAISON OFFICER'S REPORT

Members noted the August Newsletter and requested details on the 10 incidences of criminal damage and 5 incidences of public alarm and distress.

Mrs J Leggett reported that the next Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel meeting would be held on 22 October 2018 at The Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Church Street, Old Catton commencing 7.00pm.

18/204. PLANNING APPLICATION 2018/1004

The Town Clerk reported that Broadland District Council had refused planning application 2018/1004 - detached bungalow at 67, Corbet Avenue.

18/205. APP/K2610/W/18/3194955 APPEAL AGAINST BROADLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Town Clerk reported that the appeal made to the Secretary of State against the decision of Broadland District Council to refuse planning permission for sub-division of plot and erection of detached chalet bungalow and detached garage at 49, Cozens Hardy Road, Sprowston, NR7 8QF was not upheld.

18/206. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

A written report was received from Mr J M Ward.

Mr Ward also verbally reported:

1. a project by Norfolk county Council libraries to create 15,500 poppies, one to commemorate each name on a Norfolk War memorial, to mark the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day has attracted donations from around the world. Individuals can make poppies from any materials, maximum size 4" x 4", and hand them in at any library. Details at:
<https://norfolkworldwar1.org/commemoratin-the-fallen-of-norfolk/>
The poppies will all be displayed in St. Peter Mancrofts Church from 22 - 30 October 2018 and will then be distributed to Norfolk's 47 libraries.
2. At the extraordinary committees meeting on 29 August 2018 to consider the Police and Crime Commissioner's proposal to run Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service the following points were made:
 - there would be a financial risk to the Fire Service and to public safety.
 - the claimed £10m savings are speculative and untested
 - the financial plan is based on inaccurate assumptions
 - the cost and disruption of change are unquantified and untested
 - the claimed benefits could be achieved without change in governance and without the associated cost and disruption
3. Broadland District Council are offering a series of community workshops free of charge to residents and local groups who are interested in setting up a social or community enterprise which will have a positive effect in the Broadland area. Workshops will be held at Carrowbeck House from 24 October 2018. Details from sally.hoare@broadland.gov.uk
4. there is a proposal at County Hall to move road maintenance to Norse which will show a saving of £80,000 per year. The highways engineers will still oversee the work.
5. Chris Mayes will be leaving in November to take up a post with another company. This is not related to the proposed Norse changes.

Mrs J Leggett verbally reported that the new joint Managing Director for Broadland District and South Norfolk District Council was well under way.

18/207. RESIDENT'S QUESTIONS

On the motion of Mr R A Fowkes, seconded by Mr R J Knowles it was **RESOLVED**, that the meeting be adjourned to receive residents' questions on matters concerning the town. Residents were reminded that their questions should be addressed to the Chairman who would, assisted by the Town Clerk, reply.

18/207. RESIDENT'S QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)

A Sprowston resident referred to the lack of incidents reported on 101 with regards to anti-social behaviour commenting that the telephone line was always so busy that reports did not get through from residents who had no computer access.

He was also concerned about the lack of streetlighting in Aslake Close particularly in view of the number of people visiting the community centre in the evenings as it was very dark during October to March.

The Town Clerk explained that the streetlighting was adequate for the residential area and that it was the responsibility of the centre and doctors to provide light for their premises.

The meeting was reconvened.

18/208. REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

COMMUNITY BUILDINGS, ALLOTMENTS, PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

1.1 Personal Injury Claim

Members noted receipt of a personal injury claim for compensation which had been reported to the Council's Insurers.

CEMETERY

2.1 No matters were reported

STREET LIGHTING

3.1 No matters were reported

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL

4.1 No matters were reported

PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION

5.1 APP/K2610/W/18/3201018 - APPEAL AGAINST BROADLAND DISTRICT COUNCIL DECISION

Members noted the appeal made to the Secretary of State against the decision of Broadland District Council to refuse planning permission for demolition of existing lean-to-garage and erection of detached house to side and detached double garage to rear at 1, Rushmore Road, Sprowston, NR7 8QP.

5.2 Broadland Community at Heart Awards

Members suggested nominations for various categories of the Broadland District Council Community at Heart awards.

It was agreed that Members would contribute and liaise with Mr W F Couzens to formulate individual nominations to be forwarded to the Town Clerk for submission by 24 September 2018.

18/209. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Mr K Lashley, seconded by Mr W F Couzens it was **RESOLVED** not to adjourn the meeting due to the early hour.

18/210. PLANNING

The Town Clerk reported that observations had been requested by the District Council's Head of Planning on applications received since the last meeting.

Having considered each application and the accompanying plans the Council

RESOLVED

(a) to raise no objection to the following applications:

2018/1225 - subdivision of plot & erection of two dwellings (outline) at Woodview, Salhouse Road

2018/1273 - demolition of garage and erection of single storey extension at 139, Moore Avenue.

2018/1315 - single storey rear extension at The Oaks, 34 North Walsham Road

2018/1349 - single storey rear extension at 68, Stonehouse Road

2018/1393 - porch outside front door at 35, Allens Avenue

(b) were not opposed to the granting of planning application 2018/1322 installation of 3 x 2 -way 1kw/8m column floodlights to illuminate the training area during the winter months at Sprowston Cricket Club, Barkers Lane subject to a condition being applied for the floodlights to only be used during cricket training sessions and off by 10.00pm.

(c) were not opposed to the granting of planning application 2018/1401 - side extension and alterations to front driveway at 3, Blithewood Gardens subject to the Highways Authority approval of the vehicular access.

(d) were opposed to the granting of planning application 2018/1404 - front, side and rear extension, rear extension and roof alteration at 58, Russell Avenue on the grounds that the car port would be an eyesore and the proposed development is not conducive with the street scene.

18/211. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL'S COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

No written reports were received.

18/212. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS REPRESENTING THE COUNCIL ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

No written reports were received.

18/213. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer presented the schedule of accounts to 5 September 2018 totalling £97,786.79 and answered Members' questions arising therefrom.

18/213. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED)

On the motion of Mr W F Couzens, seconded by Mr R J Knowles it was

RESOLVED that payment of the accounts to 5 September 2018 totalling £97,786.79 be approved and the schedule authorising payment signed by Mr R A Fowkes and Mr R J Knowles.

18/214. SCHEDULE OF CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS

The schedule of credit card payments totalling £1,076.91 was approved and noted.

18/215. SCHEDULE OF DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENTS

The schedule of direct debit payments totalling £7,996.85 was approved and noted.

There being no other necessary business the Chairman of the Council thanked Members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed.

26 September 2018

CHAIRMAN