

Forncett Parish Council  
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council  
held at Forncett Village Hall on Thursday 19 April 2018 at 8.40pm

In Attendance: Cllr B Frith (Chairman) Cllr B Humphreys, Cllr A Coleman, Cllr G Barnes, Cllr G Gale, Cllr S Allen

Parish Clerk Anne Rayner  
3 members of the public

1. **To consider apologies for absence** – Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Welsby. District Councillor Duffin also sent his apologies.
2. **To receive any declarations of interest** – None to declare.
3. **To approve the minutes of the last meeting (15 March 2018)** – The minutes were approved without alteration and signed as correct by the Chairman.
4. **To consider matters arising from the minutes (for information only)** – The litter pick was a great success again. Thanks to the 19 people who took part. 26 full bags of rubbish were collected.
5. **Open forum, to hear from members of the public, including reports from District and County Councillors** – The District Council report was heard during the Annual Open Meeting. There were no further comments from members of the public.
6. **To consider planning applications**
  - a) **2018 / 0606 – Church Farm, Low Rd – Replacement roof for a listed building** – Following discussion, Councillors agreed that they have no objections to this application, subject to the satisfaction of the Listed Buildings Officer. Councillors also agreed it would be preferable if the materials used were in keeping with the surrounding buildings.
  - b) **2018 / 0602 & 0603 – Chestnut Tree Farm, Bustards Green – Conversion of barn adjoining the main farmhouse** – Councillors had no objections to this application, on the understanding that this is an extension to the existing farmhouse only, not a property to be treated separately.
7. **To hear of planning decisions** – None
8. **To hear of planning applications considered between meetings** – None
9. **To approve and adopt GDPR policy** – A draft policy was circulated prior to the meeting. Councillors agreed to adopt the policy with a view to adopting additional policies and possibly updating this policy at a later date.
10. **Hunts Mead – 20 mph speed limit** – Although the 20mph speed limit appears to have been in force for some time, a legal order is still needed. The parish council have no objections or comments to make.
11. **Consultation on draft Norfolk Access Improvement Plan** – This is an extremely long document,

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at 107 pages, however, a brief summary of it is that access to a network of well maintained footpaths is good for tourism and the health and well being of residents and visitors. There is some more detailed information about the plan for the coastal path and the Norfolk Trails. The parish council agreed to submit comments confirming that they fully support footpaths being maintained for residents and visitors to the county.

**12. To consider the approval of the following payments:**

| Ch. No. | Amount   | Payee          | Notes               |
|---------|----------|----------------|---------------------|
| 100155  | £ 314.59 | A Rayner       | Apr 2018 salary     |
| 100156  | £ 251.51 | Norfolk ALC    | Annual subscription |
| 100157  | £ 30.00  | Norfolk Age UK | Donation            |

**13. To consider correspondence**

**a) Changes to rules concerning septic tanks** - Changes are coming into force in 2020 meaning that discharges from septic tanks directly to a surface water will not be allowed. Any systems like this will need to be upgraded or replaced by January 2020, or when you sell your property, if before that date.

**b) SNC Community Fund** – Grants of between £1000 - £15000 are available to community groups.

**c) Donation request from Norfolk Age UK** – Councillors agreed to donate £30.

**14. Update on ongoing matters and outstanding issues**

**a) Village Hall** – The Chairman repeated the request for volunteers, especially from user groups, to join the existing trustees.

**b) Highways and Public Rights of Way** – The two new recently requested road signs have been installed. It was agreed to submit the sign for Cheney's Lane (at the junction at the bottom of the lane) and also Tabernacle Lane.

**c) SAM2 report** – Phil Whiscombe has sent a data report. Nothing of note to report, other than one vehicle recorded at 90mph on the B1113.

**15. Open forum, to hear from members of the public** – The clerk passed on information from District Councillor Duffin regarding the grants available from South Norfolk Council relating to the WWI commemorations.

**16. Date of the next meeting is confirmed as Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018 to commence at 7.30pm.**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.30pm.