

Blo' Norton Parish Council Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 23 July 2013 at 1930 hours in the Village Hall

Those Present: John Barnet-Lamb; John Olley; Ann Lambert and two members of the public

- 1 Apologies for absence –Mike Bristow and Dick Edwards
- 2 Public Comment – None
- 3 To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of items for consideration - None
- 4 To approve the Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 21 May 2013: Agreed as circulated and signed.
- 5 Matters arising from the minutes held on 21 May 2013 (not elsewhere on agenda)
 - (a) Footpaths in General – The Chairman said he had now spoken to Joan Keeble with regard to the Ramblers advising the Parish Council when footpaths needed clearing, although she requested confirmation of where the footpaths were and Councillor Edwards would provide details to Mrs Keeble **ACTION: COUNCILLOR EDWARDS**
 - (b) Sam2Sign – Highways Department had confirmed that the Sam2Sign should be back in the village early in the New Year.
 - (c) Slow down in our Village Signs –Councillor Lambert stated there were now no signs left to purchase and no one in the village had shown an interest in purchasing them, following an article in the Bugle, as a result of the Annual Parish Meeting.
 - (d) Site visit of River works at Knettishall Heath – The Chairman had an on-site meeting with Penny Hemphill, Suffolk Wildlife Trust's Water for Wildlife Officer, who leads on river restoration projects which he found most interesting. Following Dr Holmes' Report the work that had been carried out was excellent and he would fully recommend that similar work be done in this parish.
 - (e) Pigs at Fen Road – The Chairman met with Andrew Grimley from Breckland Council, together with a local resident. Mr Grimley felt the smell was not excessive and there was no action that the Council could take. Planning Department had also made a site visit and confirmed there was no violation of planning.
 - (f) Bench by Church – It was intended to replace the bench which had been removed as it had become unfit for purpose.
- 6 Police and Crime Update: PCSO Lynne Dobson was unable to attend the meeting, although had sent information stating that between 18 May and 23 July there had been two reports of thefts within the Village. Whilst it was disappointing that there continued to be crime within the village, it was progress that these were now being reported directly to the police.

There had also been reports of speeding vehicles and dangerous driving around the village and this seemed to be ongoing. It was noted this was both residents and visitors to the village. It was agreed to report all speeding and dangerous driving to the police and the Chairman encouraged all residents to take registration numbers and descriptions of such vehicles and report to police via the 101 phone number. **ACTION: ALL RESIDENTS**
- 7 SNAP meeting
 - (a) Last meeting 23 July – there was no attendance at today's meeting from Blo' Norton
 - (b) To agree attendance for next SNAP meeting (date awaited) at Attleborough Police Station. Once a date had been set, attendance would be sought.
 - (c) Items for agenda – speeding vehicles and dangerous driving.

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Chairman

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Date

