

WRETHAM PARISH COUNCIL

2 December 2021

Members of the public are invited to attend a Meeting of Wretham Parish Council to be held in Wretham Village Hall, Church Road on Thursday, 9 December 2021 at 7.00 p.m. for the purpose of transacting the following business.



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Clerk to the Council

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NOTICE:

The Lady Dannatt, HM Lord-Lieutenant of Norfolk, has undertaken a project to offer a specially commissioned memorial plaque to each community to commemorate the resilience of communities during the recent time of the pandemic. Lady Dannatt has said, “I have heard of numerous inspirational stories of how communities have come together to support others and I very much wanted to mark this. Although the Parish Councils are the conduit, I should emphasise that the plaque is for your community as a whole.”

Before the start of the formal Council Meeting, Melinda Raker, Deputy Lieutenant, will present the Plaque to the Council Chairman, as a representative of the whole community.

Agenda

1. **To consider accepting** the reasons for any apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of interest** in items on the agenda. Members are reminded that they should declare any new Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Interests that are not currently included in the Register of Interests, and that under the Code of Conduct they are not to participate in the whole of an agenda item in which they have an Interest. In the interests of transparency, Members may also wish to declare any other interests they have in relation to an agenda item, in support of the seven Nolan Principles, namely Selflessness, Integrity, Objectivity, Accountability, Openness, Honesty and Leadership.
3. **To consider** any applications made by Members for a dispensation to allow them to participate and vote on an agenda item in spite of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest.
4. **Public participation session.** The Council’s Standing Orders allow members of the public to make representations, answer questions, and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. This session should not exceed 20 minutes, and members of the public are requested to keep their comments brief. Please note that the Council is unable to make a decision binding in law at this meeting unless the item is already included on the published agenda. It can, though, place the matter on the agenda for discussion at a future meeting.
5. **To confirm** and **sign** the minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 14 October 2021.
6. **To report** matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda: **for information only.**

- 6.1. [6.1] **Trod outside Stonebridge Camp/Mill Stone Green.** The new path has now been installed. This takes the pedestrians well away from the road and also at a higher level, and so should avoid the flooding which was an issue with that section of the old Trod.
- 6.2. [6.2] **Defibrillator Awareness.** The training session on 9 November 2021 was attended by some 25 residents from this and Stow Bedon & Breckles Parish, and very worthwhile.
- 6.3. [11 & 13] **Trees.** Treecreeper Arboriculture has confirmed that they will obtain and plant a new tree for the Jubilee, and also do the required work on the trees in Millennium Row, including replacing the one that had died.
7. **To receive** the following correspondence (available at the meeting, *distributed by email):
 - 7.1. *Roger Atterwill, Swanton Morley Parish Council: *Breckland Local Plan Review Response for Breckland Meeting 28-10-2021.*
 - 7.2. Barclays Bank Plc.: *Your Business accounts - at a glance - Your balances on 29 October 2021.*
 - 7.3. Barclays Bank Plc.: *Your Community Account - 1-29 October 2021.*
 - 7.4. Barclays Bank Plc.: *Your Active Saver Account - 1 September - 29 October 2021.*
 - 7.5. War Memorials Trust: *Bulletin - November 2021.*
 - 7.6. *Breckland Council: *Local Plan letter to all Parish and Town Councils.*
 - 7.7. Norfolk County Council: *Budget Consultation for 2022/23.*
 - 7.8. Poppy Appeal Co-ordinator, Royal British Legion: *Letter of thanks for donation.*
8. **To receive** Planning Applications, planning decisions and correspondence, and **to decide** on comments to be made where necessary.
9. **To receive** a report from Cllr. Barnard regarding painting the Village Sign.
10. **To receive** an update on any action taken by Breckland Council with regard to unauthorised development at 4 Manor Cottages, Church Road.
11. **To note** that, on 11 November all the Councillors, plus some members of the public, attended a presentation made by OCO Technology, explaining their plans to move their carbon capture business from a site in Brandon to the Larkshall Waste Mill. They were hoping to submit their planning application to Norfolk County Council by early December.
12. **To receive** news of an update from Russel Wilson, Trails Officer, regarding NCC work on Peddars Way. They will be carrying out a cut back of vegetation during winter to be outside of bird nesting season, which will help with establishing the width of the path. Later they intend to insert a French drain and aqua cells to dry off the section at the bridge piers, topped off with an improved surface material.
13. **To consider** an invitation from the Wretham PCC Secretary to accept responsibility for preparing the War Memorial for the events in November of each year.
14. **To note** that, following complaints from a resident about the state of the western end of Church Road, the Clerk has contacted Breckland Council, which will arrange for the Serco road-sweeper to visit. He has also reported the two blocked gullies to NCC Highways.
15. **To agree** the Budget for 2022/23.
16. **To agree** the Precept for 2022/23.
17. **Finance**
 - 17.1. **To approve** payment to the Clerk and HM Revenue & Customs totalling £1,088.73 (salary for 1 October 2021 to 31 December 2021 £1,053.78; homeworking allowance £13.50; Mileage Allowance Payment for 6 October 2021 - 27 November 2021 £21.45).
 - 17.2. **To note** that on 14 December 2021 the United Kingdom Debt Management Office Public Works Loan Board will deduct £220.44 from the Council's account by direct debit, being the repayment due on the Council's loan.
 - 17.3. **To receive** the Monthly Financial Report.
18. **To decide** on any matters for consideration at next meeting.

19. **To confirm** the date of the next meeting as Thursday, 13 January 2021 at 7.00 p.m. in Wretham Village Hall.

Scheduled future Meeting dates:

Thursday, 13 January 2022

Thursday, 10 February 2022

Thursday, 10 March 2022