

**Minutes of Playford Parish Council meeting held at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm on  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012**

**Present:** Mrs Veronica Bunbury, Mrs June Gosling, Mr Simon Hanson and Mrs Juannette Pettitt

**Also present for part of the meeting:** Mr Peter Bellfield, SCC Councillor, Mr Steven Hudson, SCDC District Councillor, PCSO Jeanette Pither, Mr and Mrs Ted Herrington, Mr Matthew Percy, Mr Colin Snowden, Mrs Pascoe and Len.

**In attendance:** Mrs Sarah Cartwright, Clerk to the Council

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Mr Bob Coppillie, Mrs Joan Metcalfe

**2. Declarations of Members' Interests in any items on this Agenda**

Mrs June Gosling declared an interest as a member of the Parish Hall Committee. This was written in the "Declaration of Interest" book and signed by the Chairman.

**3. To approve the Minutes from the Meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2012**

These were signed as a true record.

**4. Matters arising from the Minutes/Action Point Review**

The debris after the felling of the dead elm trees in the Playing Field still need clearing. In addition one of the dead trees remains standing and the stumps need removing/grinding. It was decided to obtain quotes from Paul Tynan and Ian McKey and go with the cheapest quote. The Chairman authorised the work to be done asap. It was noted that the Clerk had not heard back from Tony Buckingham re the dangers at the junction of Dr Watson's Lane and the Playford Road. Simon Hanson to check if footpath 3 has been re-instated.

**5. Report by Police**

PCSO Jeanette Pither read from a report prepared by PCSO Richard Wright. She highlighted that Playford might want to implement a No Cold Calling zone. Mr Peter Bellfield said he would help us pursue this if we wished however it sometimes meets with opposition as they are loath to implement this in rural areas.

Signed .....

Speeding priority is being given to Martlesham and Winesham at the moment however if we want to make representations through PCSO Jeanette Pither she would be happy for us to do so. Councillors commented that cars hurtle through the village at rush hour. PCSO Pither said she would report this back to her Sargent. She reported that she had left some leaflets re communal crime in the Village Hall. Mrs June Gosling reported that an opportunist crime had been committed – an unlocked car had been broken into and personal belongings stolen.

**6. Report by District Councillor Steven Hudson**

**7. Report by County Councillor Peter Bellfield**

In addition to producing a written report Mr Peter Bellfield highlighted the following points:-

SCC are not only on track to save £42.5 million but to exceed this by £13.5 million. Total amount saved £56 million.

Broadband – two providers have been short listed with the successful applicant being announced in September. It is hoped that all of Suffolk will have high speed broadband by March 2015.

There has recently been some publicity in the media about a manifesto for the future of the railway services in East Anglia. This has been produced so that pressure can be put on the Government to ensure that the terms of the new 15 year franchise for our services brings them into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

There is an election in November for a new Police Commissioner. Anyone can vote though you do need to register first (by the 17<sup>th</sup> July).

Peter Bellfield also said he had attended a presentation from EAOW and that he had been very impressed with the way they are dealing with the difficulties that come with it. They are very much taking into account the local problems and he commends them as there is always going to be slight problems with the route.

**8. Code of Conduct**

It was RESOLVED to adopt the new Code of Conduct. This had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. The new Register of Members' Interests will need to be completed by all Councillors electronically before the 28<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

**9. Village Review**

The Chairman asked Mrs Juannette Pettitt to report on this. She informed Councillors that this has been advertised and is due to take place on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012 at 7.30pm (set up 6.30pm). Councillors ran over the various headings and suggested having a board with the heading "EAOW" to gauge residents opinions on the Wind Farm and the cable route it takes. Councillors will be at the event to advise and guide people. Email reminder on goglemail of event and BBQ.

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## 10. Highways incl Authorisation to purchase grit bins (£507.78)

Payment for three grit bins were authorised and it was agreed to have them delivered to the Village Hall. Once delivered Councillors will identify where to site them and replace new with old. **AP28**

The Community Payback team are due to visit on the 18<sup>th</sup> July. The Chairman asked if they could trim the hedge and cut back the nettles in the gully along Butts Road. **AP29**

There had been a couple of incidents of fly tipping of old tyres along Church Road. These have been reported and cleared.

The Chairman asked the Clerk to check why SCC are not cutting all the grass on the playing field? **AP30**

A lorry had backed into the ditch on Church Lane causing the gully to fill with mud. **AP31**

Monterey Pines outside Spindleberry, The Courts need cutting back. **AP32**

Mrs Juannette Pettitt highlighted that the road edge was deteriorating towards the railway bridge leaving the village, near Playford Hall. **AP33** Bealings Road is also crumbling **AP34**

The layby and footpath in Spring Meadow needs weed killing.

## 11. Planning Applications & Planning Procedures

Councillors RESOLVED to adopt the addendum to the Planning Application Consultation Response Procedure. This was proposed by Mrs Veronica Bunbury and seconded by Mrs June Gosling. Councillors agreed that Planning matters should be kept as transparent as possible.

Windfarm – Scottishpower/Vattenfall East Anglia One Offshore Windfarm. Mrs Veronica Bunbury had written to Dr Dan Poulter regarding the different stages of the laying of the cable. She had not heard back from him.

It was agreed that residents would need to be kept informed of Stage 2 of the Consultation which ends on the 3<sup>rd</sup> August. A presentation by EAOW shared with Great and Little Bealings was explored. Clerk to liaise with the Bealings. **AP35.**

The Village Review will give residents an opportunity to find out more.

## 12. Finance:-

### (i) Reporting & authorisation of cheques

Cheque No 658	£150.00	S Cartwright (electricity, computer & printer usage, storage of filing cabinets – April 2012 – April 2013)
Cheque No 659	£35.00	ICO (data protection)
Cheque No 660	£60.00	BDO Audit
Cheque No 661	£507.78	Glasdon (3 x Grit Bins)
Cheque No 662	£5.10	Printing for flyers (Phil Holmes)

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The balance of our account is:-	NS&I	£1,756.00
	Barclays	£2,740.00

**(i) Approval of Annual Return**

The annual return has been returned by BDO. They ask that we formally approve and Accept it by council. This was proposed by Mrs Juannette Pettitt and seconded by Mr Simon Hanson. The notice of Conclusion of audit has been displayed on the notice board.

**13. Correspondence.**

**14. Any Other Business**

The Chairman suggested that we may need to think about our budget and what the precept should be set at for next year – to be discussed at September meeting. He also suggested that the website has a re-vamp.

**15. Date of next meeting: 5<sup>th</sup> September 2012**

The meeting ended at 8.50 pm

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