

ROUDHAM & LARLING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Roudham & Larling Parish Council held on Thursday, 16 June 2022 at 7.30 p.m., in Bridgham and Roudham David O’Neale Memorial Village Hall, Chapel Lane, Bridgham.

Present: Councillors: Sarah Gosling (Chairman), Brian Inglis, Louise Martin, Andrew Nelstrop.
Julian Gibson (Clerk).

Absent: Brendan Larwood, Dudley Stammers.

1. **Apologies for absence** It was **resolved** to accept the reasons for absence offered by Cllr. Larwood and Cllr. Stammers.
2. **Declarations of interest.** None.
3. **Dispensations.** None.
4. **Public participation session.** A member of the public raised concerns of several neighbours about what appears to be unauthorised development at Crendon Timber Engineering Limited (formerly Aspect Roofing), Harling Road, which they had reported to Breckland Enforcement. Timber racking 6 m high had been constructed on land just behind their gardens. Breckland had stated that this requires planning permission, and the site manager had said that an application would be submitted, and that the racking would not be used until this was determined, however they had started to populate it that very day. Residents also complained that work was starting on site before the stipulated hours of operation, and they were advised to keep a diary and take photographs if possible before submitting a complaint to Breckland.
5. **Minutes.** The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 19 June 2022, were **confirmed** and **signed** by the Chairman.
6. **Matters arising.** None.
 - 6.1. [9, Minutes of 15 July 2021] **Extension of 40 mph speed limit.** At the Clerk’s request, County Cllr. Steve Askew had again asked when the limit would be implemented. He had obtained a response from Jack Griffiths, Highways Engineer, saying that these matters can take around 18 months from initiation to completion on site. His design team was finalising the exact location of the posts etc., and when this has been signed off and issued to a contractor he should be able to provide a date for installation.
 - 6.2. [11, Minutes of 17 February 2022] **Renovation of noticeboards.** The Clerk reported that the contractor had removed the Roudham board for refurbishment, and would gradually work round the others one at a time.
7. **Correspondence.** The following correspondence was **received**:
 - 7.1. Breckland Council Planning Enforcement: *42 Roudham Park Industrial Estate Change of Use.* The Chairman had spoken with the owner of the car wash business and advised him to contact Breckland Council, which he is willing to do.
 - 7.2. Breckland Council Planning Enforcement: *Roudham Road Unlawful Adverts.*
 - 7.3. PKF Littlejohn LLP (External Auditor): *Receipt of documents - notification of exempt status, 2022.*
 - 7.4. Norfolk County Council: *Delivering local highway improvements in partnership with Town and Parish Councils.*
 - 7.5. *Clerks & Councils Direct - July 2022.*
 - 7.6. Barclays Bank Plc: *Your Business accounts - at a glance - Your balances on 30 June 2022.*
 - 7.7. Barclays Bank Plc: *Your Community Account - 1-30 June 2022.*
 - 7.8. Barclays Bank Plc: *Your Active Saver Account - 1-30 June 2022.*
8. **Planning.**
 - 8.1. **3PL/2022/0568/F: Grange Farm Bungalow, Roudham Road.** Construction of a two-storey side extension with associated alterations to the existing roof including a front and

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rear styled dormer. Installation of 5No. arena equestrian mirrors and 8No. low level external lighting fittings. Planning Permission dated 4 July 2022 was **received**.

- 8.2. **3PL/2022/0489/F: MG Mecca on Roudham Road Industrial Estate.** Continued use of the site for the purpose of hot and cold food takeaways sales. It was **noted** that, after consulting with members, the Clerk has responded objecting on the grounds that this was a useful facility but in the wrong place, as it causes large lorries to stop on Roudham Road, on and across what is basically a crossroads created by entrances to the estates on either side, causing obstructions and increased risk for vehicles passing by or turning in and out because their visibility is obstructed. The Clerk mentioned that the Highways comment said that they would not wish to object to the temporary nature of the permission being removed.
- 8.3. **3PL/2022/0640/F: Swallow Aquatics. "Road From Larling To Bridgham".** Erection of one additional Greenhouse for retail use and the erection of attached new barn for storage of animal feed and machinery. It was **resolved** that the Council objected for a number of reasons, but principally because the application sought to change the whole site from Class A1 - Shops floorspace to Class B1(c) - Light industrial.
9. **Casual Vacancy.** The Council **noted** that legislation requires that this vacancy be filled by co-option "as soon as is practicable" and members **agreed** to try to approach any suitable candidates.
10. **Potential unauthorised development.** In view of the reports of activities at Crendon Timber Engineering Limited, it was **agreed** that the Clerk should provide Breckland Planning Enforcement with an update relating to the population of the racking starting, and ask to be kept informed with progress.
11. **Jubilee trees.** In Cllr. Stammers' absence, the Chairman reported that he had ordered two English Oak trees from Walnut Tree Garden Nursery, but delivery cannot be confirmed from their supplier until August. It was **agreed** that the Clerk should order two Queen's Canopy Plaques for when they are planted.
12. **Finance.**
- 12.1. **Monthly Financial Report.** The report for the month ending 30 June 2022 was **received**.
13. **Matters for consideration at next meeting.** Defibrillator.
14. **Next meeting.** The next meeting of the Parish Council was confirmed as being as Thursday, 18 August 2022, at 7.30 p.m. in Bridgham & Roudham Village Hall, Chapel Lane, Bridgham.

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Sarah Gosling, Chairman

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Future Meeting dates:

Thursday, 18 August 2022	Thursday, 17 November 2022	Thursday, 16 February 2023
Thursday, 15 September 2022	Thursday, 15 December 2022	Thursday, 16 March 2023
Thursday, 20 October 2022	Thursday, 19 January 2023	

Note: Meetings will only be called if there is business to discuss which cannot wait until the following scheduled meeting date.