

Boyton Annual Parish Council Minutes

Monday 8 April 2019

Attendance:	Chair Richard Jesty (RJ), Cllr for SCC Wilford Division Andrew Reid (AR), Cllr for East Suffolk Christine Block (CB), James Mallinder (JM) and other members of the public
1. Welcome	RJ welcomed all to our Annual Parish Meeting. The meeting was recorded
2. Minutes and matters arising	Minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 April 2017 were discussed: Play equipment has been completed, Beachwatch was carried out, PVCLT is successfully established, Boyton docks/Information board still 'in the works' RJ requested any comments or changes. Minutes were approved and signed
3. Reports	<p>i) Cllr Reid presented the SCC Annual Report. Finance at Local Government level for 2019/2020 agreed - planning on spending £10 million per week on providing services – Budget of £520 million – ⅔ size 7 yrs ago - saving £260 million in last 7 years as a result of changes in government grants. CC becoming increasingly reliant on Council Tax and Business Rates – near future will be sole source of revenue at County /District level. 75% of budget is spent on Social Care and Looked After Children. Education, prison, fire and rescue, waste, planning make up remaining. Standards of education have improved. In recognising needs for specialist education, CC are investing £45 million into developing 300 to 400 placements. CC confident on meeting the Broadband target of 98% coverage by end of 2020 - recently awarded grant money to access hard to reach businesses/premises. Infrastructure – Sizewell - EDF Stage 3 consultation is in close discussions with government. Consultation has been extremely disappointing in terms of quality and content, in particular lack of data. Key issue: transportation of build materials – the use of sea, rail or road. There is concern with the rejection on dropping the sea-led strategy. There are clear indications that roads will be the likely way to haul everything in - we are going to suffer it seems particularly with traffic on A12. Scottish Power and planning off-shore/on-shore substations in rural settings – CC are very concerned that the right thing is done by Suffolk, engaging with SPR and Government. Planned in 10-12 year's time - this part of Suffolk will be responsible for generation and distribution of nearly 30% of UK's power.</p> <p>Quiet Lane: discussion re extending the Lane at Capel St Andrew into Boyton - AR agreed to support initiative.</p> <p>ii) Cllr Block informed BPC that this will be her last meeting at Boyton, and conveyed how much she has enjoyed coming and working with the Parish. She was thanked her for her support and for her attendance. East Suffolk is now the largest District Authority in the country. Council will have less money over a bigger area, therefore necessity will be for communities, parish, councillors to work together to put forward proposals, as it will be more competitive CB is a Trustee for Deben Coastal Community Team and is concerned with the draft questionnaire for visitors, looking at 'attractions' and the omission of peace and quiet. She recommended that close attention is paid to the Estuary and that we engage with the Alde & Ore Association</p>

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iii)	<p>Report of Boyton Parochial Church Council was abbreviated by RJ, as RH had been delayed. Please see Report.</p> <p>Annual Meeting of Parishioners takes place on Saturday 27 April at 10 a.m. at the VH – another Churchwarden would be greatly appreciated</p> <p>Boyton Village Fete planned – new parking arrangements agreed</p>
3. Boyton Parish Council Report	<p>The Annual Report was presented by Richard Jesty. Gerry Bathe is stepping down as Parish Clerk. RJ expressed his thanks for the excellent service the Parish has received over the last 6 years. Jenny Lloyd has taken the role of PC</p> <p>Parish Councillor changes are underway in the membership of Council. John Carpmael is stepping down. RJ expressed his thanks to John for his contribution to the BPC over several years. We therefore have 3 vacancies for co-opted places on the parish council, and have received interest from 2. See attached maps showing new signs as a result of our work with SCC. RJ thanked Tina Fletcher for the help with work outside Cotton Acres, also to John Carpmael for lobbying for the footpath loop. Re-prints of the SOS cards are available – contact Jenny. Prison liaison meetings will continue. Litter Pick and Beach watch events planned for 20 April and 18 May - thank you to all involved</p>
4. Other issues	<p>Gerry Bathe presented PVCLT (Peninsular Villages Community Land Trust) - started in February 2018 and in August 2018, registered with Finance Conduct Authority. Various meetings have taken place. MP Therese Coffey was extremely supportive and PVCLT hope she will engage with the Justice Department regarding release of land. Recent Housing Needs Survey was disappointing. We produced a detailed business case, presented in March and were awarded £450,000 grant, which will pay for 4 affordable homes in Bawdsey – this includes land price. They will be permanently owned by the community – no right to buy. The first AGM takes place in July – All welcome.</p> <p>JM – we need to look at local plan and merge parish's together. The Good Neighbourhood Scheme is working well. Local survey was carried out – big concern was with elements of loneliness so 'meet up' Mondays was started - been very successful not only for the elderly but young families - next one is on 15th April at Shepherd and Dog. All welcome</p> <p>Bus pass issue – bus passes are no longer valid on local public transport. This has caused concern. The WI are spear-heading a campaign to try to change this decision.</p>

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