

**DRAFT**  
**PARHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES**

Of Meeting held on Tuesday 11th August 2015 at 7.15 pm  
 In the Village Hall

Present Andrew Nicholson ( Chair) Robert Eldrett, Simon Davies, Barry  
 Cable ( Clerk ) Mrs Sue Wyatt, Mr Rhodri Griffiths

- 1/ Chair Welcome** ~ Andrew welcomed all
- 2/ Apologies for absence** ~ Cllr Stephen Burroughes, Emma Cochrane,  
 Michael Gray
- 3/ Declarations of DPI & LNPI** ~ None
- 4/ Minutes of last Meeting** were duly agreed and signed
- 5/ Matters Arising** ~ There were no Matters Arising

**OPEN FORUM**

Mrs Sue Wyatt was concerned about the matter of dog waste in and around the village. She was informed that a waste bin had been ordered to be installed near the path where most of the waste occurred , leading up to Moat Hall, and that several notices had been placed in the parish Magazine, warning of the hazard and fines, if caught. She was also concerned about a protruding drain cover on the pavement outside Blyth Row, where there was also some overhanging trees and road repairs were required . It was explained by the Clerk that these repairs were the subject of much ongoing correspondence with Highways Dept . However there was little that they can do as access is required to adjacent land, and the landowner has refused permission for such access.

Mr Rhodri Griffiths then spoke about the Play area which backed onto his property, and in view of the notice recently placed in the Parish Magazine wished to put forward some ideas about its future use. To create a Community Wild Life Park or possibly allotments . It was explained that the future of the area was to be discussed later in the agenda and he would be kept informed of further developments. They were both thanked for their time and interest and left

**6/ Police & Councillors Report** ~The Report from Cllr Stephen Burroughes was read and is filed with these Minutes

**7/ Planning Matters** ~The document forwarded from Framlingham was considered and contents noted . However it was felt that little could be done effectively in the Parish unless we were to be part of the formal consultation process

**8/ Clerk's Report** The Clerk and the Chairman had both attended the bi-annual meeting regarding Tamar Waste Plant on 5<sup>th</sup> July at which a considerable improvement in the reduction of odours had generally been reported as a result of the installation of new bio-filters. All agencies represented were satisfied with the standards now reached. Several members of the meeting were then taken on a conducted tour of the Plant, including the Chair and Clerk

**9/ RF O Report** It was noted that a donation of £100 had been received for the Village Sign Fund from Mr. Allan Gray for compost he had earlier in the year, The following payments were approved E 8/16 Gary Whiting, 2 invoices for Grass Cutting as agreed £170.00 & £200.00, E9/16 B.Cable~ Salary £ 333.76 and Expenses £256.95 E 10/16 Parham Village Hall – Hall Hire £150.00 Accounts were then presented showing that after these payments had been made Council had £10,059 in its accounts of which £ 7954.25 was reserved for specific Funds

**10/ Correspondance** Hard copy received since last meeting

Homestart ~ seeking financial support in their work in helping families with young children who are having a difficult time

Tamar ~ Minutes of last biannual meeting and agenda for 5<sup>th</sup> July meeting

SALC ~ 2 Copies of “The Local Councillor “

Healthy Suffolk ~ Poster regarding “Ending Loneliness “

SCDC ~Public consultation for the identification of Non-designated Heritage Assets, replies by 17<sup>th</sup> August.

Leiston, Saxmundham & District Citizens Advice Bureau, Report 2014/2015

Fenland Leisure Products ~ Catalogue

Letter of receipt from Suffolk Record Office to Village Recorder

These were brought to the meeting

**11/ Parish Councillors Reports**

Rob ~Phone Box up-date, He had received the necessary parts and paint and hoped to start in the better weather

Emma~Neighbour hood watch~ none given

Mike – Play Area Update, Michael not being present Council discussed the future of the area . It was felt that because of the lack of use , the cost of hedge & grass cutting insurance and upkeep of equipment much of which was approaching the end of its life, council decided to close the area with immediate effect. Rob is to nail up the gate and erect a notice that

it is closed . The Clerk is to inform the grass cutting contractor and the Insurers as the Insurance is due for renewal on 1<sup>st</sup> October.

Michael Gray is to be asked to contact the Landowner and also arrange for the removal of remaining equipment

James – Dog Waste Bin~ no Report

**12/ Emergency Plan** –Rob is still awaiting receipt of the last plan from the previous Chairman

**13/ Matters for the next Agenda**

Lorries using the B1116 and potential increase in traffic

Emergency Plan~ when the plan has been drawn up a trial is to be arranged before putting into effect

Date of next Meeting ~ 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015

Meeting Closed 9.10 PM

Signed Chairman.....13<sup>th</sup> October 2015