

MINUTES OF FRANSHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15TH JULY 2014 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Mr T Lewis, Mr J Sheringham, Mr R James and Mr A Lake

Others Present: Dist. Cllr E Gould, County Cllr M Kiddle-Morris and Lynsey Rush, Canary and 32Linnet Public House

1. Welcome and to consider accepting apologies for Absence

The Chairman welcomed those present to the meeting. There were apologies for absence received from Mrs J Bloomfield and Mr T Mallon and these were accepted.

2. To declare any Interests re items on the agenda

There were no interests declared.

3. To confirm minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2014

The minutes had been circulated and read. Mr Lake proposed the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the last meeting, seconded by Mr James, carried by the Council.

4. To discuss any matters from the minutes (not on the agenda).

There were no matters to discuss.

The Chairman closed the meeting for the Public Participation Period.

County Cllr Kiddle-Morris reported that the Committee system is now in place and the Chairman of each Committee is a Cabinet Member. He stated the budget is in an appalling state and spoke about a few of the problems it has created. Fransham parish is to be included in the Launditch Ward. 54 Councillors were reduced down to 49. Faster Broadband is coming to Fransham in the near futures and anyone in the village receiving less than 2 megabytes will get 2 megabytes. Breckland will match fund for Superfast Broadband.

Dist Cllr Gould reported that electors will now have to register themselves individually either on line or on a paper form through the post. People will need to give their national insurance no.

The Chairman closed the Public Participation Period and resumed the meeting.

5. To discuss Correspondence

The following mail had been received:-

Letter from Environment Agency outlining its proposed summary of proposed work

Quotation from Broxap for 4 brown notice boards £5,115.00

Police report – 1 burglary and 1 drug offence crime in May Copy of Clerks & Councils Direct

Breckland – Open Space Audit, extension until 1st September. for comments

6. To discuss any Planning Issues

Breckland 3PL/2014/0497 Erection of 6 dwellings and garages, together with ancillary works, former Fransham Motor Co. site, Main A47, planning application received

The Parish Council voted against supporting this application because it feels there would be far too many dwellings for the site and location, the houses would be totally out of character with all the others in the village and there would be too many car movements per day, as it is on a main trunk road

7. To discuss any Highways Matters

The sign post on the A47, at the top of Station Road, outside the Canary & Linnet is rotting away and nearly falling down. The Clerk will report this.

