Burnham Overy Parish Council

Clerks Report – 4th May 2021 Meeting

Ongoing from Previous Minutes: -

Oak Tree, New Road:

Tree Preservation Order – Waiting for the Officer at Borough Council to confirm whether the Oak Tree is big enough to warrant a TPO. Chased 7th September 2020, 11th November 2020, 12th January 2021 and 22nd April 2021. Still awaiting a response.

Plaque – Waiting on the TPO to be sorted and whether a plaque should be placed on Village Sign or tree.

Rabbits, Playing Feld:

Acorn Pest Control will be attending in the next few weeks to attend to the rabbits around the edge of the playing field.

Lease on Playing Field and Allotments

Holkham have written back on this is with Holkham for signature.

Trees

Considering planting of trees on playing field to be suspended until lease has been completed. Holkham will then review the situation. Cllr A Jamieson asked to provide information on free trees from Norfolk County Council but not received at present.

Camper Vans and Tourists to the Parish

Clerk has written to Parking Operations at the Borough Council to ask for Civil Enforcement Officers to visit the parish, especially when high tides are, to check on yellow line parking. No response back to date.

Clerk asked the Engagement Office at the Police for a mobile number of a Beat Officer. Mobile number were not available and to either call 101 or report online. In an emergency to call 999.

Google maps are not advertising the Hard as a car park.

Tree Maintenance

Clerk has contacted Holkham Estate about quotes and assistance with tree works on the playing field. This is ongoing.

Playing Field

Tree roots on Gong Lane have been completed and taken out. Pressure Washing waiting for date and received cheque from Tennis Club as contribution towards the work.

Updates for Meeting

1. To Elect the Chairman

When a Councillor is elected they must sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form straight away.

2. To Elect a Vice-Chairman

Again after a Councillor is elected as vice-chairman the Declaration of Acceptance of Office must be signed.

9. Flooding

Minutes of the Norfolk Strategic Flood Alliance from February 2021 had been circulated. No further minutes received.

Environment Agency factsheet to explain River Burn works due to be completed. Anglian Water Data received for water quality

9. 77 Acres and ½ acre island

A Freedom of Information request had been received and dealt with.

11. Phone Box

It was Agreed that the phone box would be adopted in principle subject to condition as follows:

Electrician - Quote attached. The power source would need to be located so Openreach would need to be present.

Highways: This area is Highway land and would need a licence from Highways for the telephone box, which would not be a problem. Extending the concrete plinth also around the box would not be a problem but would need to know by how much and the reasoning for it, some timber posts may also have to be installed to stop vehicles parking on it or to close for access.

Planning – I have asked for clarification from Borough Council but at present have not heard anything back.

Insurance – Have stated that as long as the street cover provided in the schedule is enough to cover the telephone box this would be no more than the usual insurance premium. Obviously if damaged or vandalised would be excess of £250 and the usual premium increase in any claim.

Maintenance – speaking with other Clerks the maintenance would need to be scheduled for budgeting every three to four years to repaint and maintain.

The telephone receiver has been vandalised and pulled apart. This has been reported to BT and work should commence 26th April for this to be repaired.

12. Campsite at Burnham Norton

Burnham Norton Parish Meeting have bene involved in this matter. A member of the public has asked for Burnham Overy PC to write to the Borough Council asking they make an Article 4 Directive to stop the campsite. As this overshadows the Conservation Area for the Mill at Burnham Overy Staithe it is hoped the Borough Council would take this into account as well. Trading Standards, Environment Agency, Natural England and Highways have all been contacted and are not able to take matters further. Highways have stated that they would object to any planning applications sought by the Campsite because of the A149 road gateway.

Summary of an Article 4 Direction

14. Temporary Event Notices

A Parish Council had asked for support in writing to the Borough Council regarding Temporary Event Notices. This would allow Parish Councils to have an input into events being asked for licence from the Borough Council

15. Dog Waste Bins Flap Opening.

Borough Council will only allow up to 45 litre capacity. Most of the chute openings are 50 litres and above. Only one quote found from Glasdon.

17. Finances

c) Clerks Contact – To delete the section regarding hiring from Burnham Norton Parish Meeting as now resigned.

j) BHIB is our usual Insurance Broker. The schedule is set on a three-year term to give a better price. Quoted £362.85 plus Parish Online would be free. Came & Co insurance Brokers were also contacted but their quote was over £1,000. Last year price with BHIB £359.07

19. Playing Field

Bench behind the slide has a broken plank.. Problems as it is concrete and may have issues drilling into the wood.

Skate ramp quote not completed yet.

Quote and artwork for signs. Basketball and Kite flying signs 15x20cm £6.31 plus VAT each. Dog on lead sign near entrance to Carvan Park 20x30cm sign £12.62 plus VAT. All can be screwed to a wooden post. Posts are extra and quotes are being found. Pressure washing yet to schedule a date.

20 Allotments

Structure form received for permission for Shed, Polytunnel and fruit trees on plot 2a.

21. Representative for Village Hall

At present Cllr A Edwards is representative.

22. Representatives for the Harbour Trust

At present Cllr P Thompson and Cllr K William-Powlett.