Topcroft Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Topcroft Pavilion

Monday 9th May 2022 at 7.30pm

Attended: Peter Rout, (Chair) Step Dye (Vice Chair), Nicola Eastell, Robin Frampton, Trevor Potter, lan Skinner & Kathy Thomson

Clerk/Responsible Financial Officer (RFO): Sally Chapman

Also present: District Councillor Michael Edney and one parishioner

PUBLIC FORUM

A. To receive reports from the County and District Councillors

No further reports - attended earlier meeting

B. Public Forum – for Members of the Public

MINUTES

1. To Appoint a Chair

Peter Rout was elected unanimously as Chair.

Cllr Rout signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office document.

2. To Appoint a Vice Chair

Step Dye was elected unanimously as Vice Chair.

Cllr Dye signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office document.

3. To consider Apologies for Absence

None

4. Declaration of Interests and Consider Requests for Dispensation

None

5. To Approve the Minutes and Decisions from the meeting held on 14th March 2022

The Minutes from the Meeting held on 14th March 2022 were confirmed unanimously as a true and accurate record.

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes not on the Agenda

None

- 7. Finance
 - a) To Approve the End of Year Accounts 2021/22

Councillors approved unanimously the End of Year Balance Sheet 2021/22.

b) To Approve the Internal Auditor's Report for 2021/22

Councillors approved the Internal Auditor's Report for 2021/22.

c) To Agree the Annual Audit Return Sections 1 & 2 and a Certificate of Exemption from a Limited Assurance Review

Councillors agreed unanimously the Annual Audit Return and to certify themselves as exempt from a Limited Assurance Review. The Chair and RFO signed the Annual Audit Return Sections 1 & 2 and Certificate of Exemption.

d) To Appoint the Internal Auditor for 2022-23

Councillors resolved unanimously to appoint the Internal Auditor Mr Trevor Brown for 2022-23.

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e) To Receive the current Financial & Budget Reports and Approve the Income & Expenditure

Councillors resolved unanimously to approve the following Receipts and Expenditure.

Date	Ref.	Income	Amount	
21/04/2022	Credit	Vat Reclaim 1/04/2021-31/03/2022	£	166.78
25/04/2022	Credit	SNC CIL Payment	£	874.65
27/04/2022	Credit	SNC Precept Payment (first half)	£	1,500.00
		Total	£	2,541.43
Date	Ref.	Expenditure	Amount	
28/04/2022	STO	Clerk's Salary - April	£	124.58
09/05/2022	100535	NALC Subscription 2022/23	£	143.54
09/05/2022	100536	Trevor Brown - Internal Auditor	£	120.00
09/05/2022	100537	Clerk's Overtime & Expenses April & May	£	171.37
09/05/2022	100538	CAS Insurance - 01/06/2022-31/05/2023	£	127.68
		Total	£	687.17

f) To Consider a Topcroft PCC Grant for Grounds Maintenance

Councillors resolved unanimously to grant Topcroft PCC £250.00

g) Bus Shelter Hard Standing Access - no update c/f

8. Planning Applications and Decisions (circulated as received) Applications

a) Application Number 2022/0793

Location: Honeywood Cottage Topcroft Street Topcroft Norfolk NR35 2BL

Proposal: Convert existing garage with additional first floor extension, solar panels on side elevation.

Councillors resolved unanimously to support this application.

b) Replace and increase the depth of a south facing window frame

Moat House Church Road Topcroft Norfolk NR35 2BH

Ref. No: 2022/0270 | Received: Mon 07 Feb 2022 | Validated: Thu 31 Mar 2022

Status: Pending Consideration – TPC no comments

c) Proposal Retrospective permission for the creation of a new access off the public highway associated driveway and proposed alterations to curtilage and fencing

Low Farm Snakes Lane Topcroft Norfolk NR35 2BU

Reference 2021/2222 | Received Tue 05 Oct 2021, Application Validated Fri 10 Dec 2021

Status: Pending Decision – TPC no comments

Decisions

d) 20m x 60m equestrian arena and change the use of paddocks to equestrian use and erection of lights Holly House Low Road Topcroft NR35 2BQ

Ref. No: 2021/2672

Received: Tue 07 Dec 2021 | Validated: Thu 10 Feb 2022 | Status: Approval with Conditions

9. The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

a) Village Sign Plaque

Councillors were pleased with the plaque and Cllr Potter will place either on the new gate or the village sign before the Jubilee weekend in June.

b) Village Event Grant

Signed

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Topcroft's pavilion committee is planning a village BBQ, picnic and music event on Thursday 2nd June 2022. A grant from SNC of £200 has been applied for to support the event.

10. Village Issues

a) Highways

- Drains/Potholes/Gullies/Issues
- Rookery Lane's pothole has been filled.
- A drain is sinking near Wood Farm and there is a small pothole on Mill Road.

b) Footpaths

- FP3's access – update

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11. To note Correspondence Received

- a) BACT Grant Thank You Letter
- b) Parishioner's neighbours dispute email
- **12. AOB** (For discussion only the Council cannot make decisions on non-agenda items) None

13. To Receive Items for the next Agenda

None

14. To Note the Next Meeting Dates

- Monday 11th July 2022 7.30pm
- Monday 12th September 2022 7.30pm
- Monday 14th November 2022 7.30pm

The meeting ended at 8.35pm