

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF  
COLBY PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE JUBILEE HALL, BANNINGHAM  
ON TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2007  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The Chairman welcomed the 8 members of the public, including C. Cllr Moore, who had stayed on after the Annual Parish Meeting. Proceedings commenced at 9.25p.m. with the customary public speaking time, during which Mrs. Duncan emphasised the need for the Parish Council to make specific reference to landscaping in responses to the planning applications for the 3 pumping stations. The meeting commenced at 9.26p.m.

- 158. PRESENT:** Mr. N.J. Grix, Chairman  
Mr. R.C. Anderson-Dungar, Vice-Chairman  
Ms. J. Cort  
Mrs. S.J. Keeler  
Mrs. M.E. Anderson-Dungar, Clerk

**159. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were accepted from Mrs. C. Elsby and Mr. D. Snow, and from D. Cllr. Willcox.

**160. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS**

The following interests were declared:

<b>Member</b>	<b>Minute Reference</b>	<b>Nature of Interest</b>
Mr. N.J. Grix	167 – Planning application for pumping station on Mill Road	Personal & prejudicial as owner of land involved in negotiations with Anglian Water re purchase.

**161. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the Meeting of 13 February 2007, as previously circulated, were confirmed and signed, as proposed by Mr. Anderson-Dungar, seconded by Mts. Keeler.

**162. INFORMATION ON MATTERS ARISING NOT LISTED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA**

There were no Matters Arising.

**163. REPORTS FROM POLICE, DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

**Police** – their report had been given during the Annual Parish Meeting earlier.

**District Council** – no report as Cllr. Willcox was not present.

**County Council** – Cllr. Moore referred to the “At Home Not Alone” scheme to help older people, and reported that the County Council had secured a rural bus subsidy for 2007/08 of £2,671,639. The Long Lane land incident was on-going as a joint effort between the County and District Council enforcement teams; he asked for information on any activity on the land to be reported to him.

**164. MATTERS REFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

1. HOMEWATCH

Mr. Anderson-Dungar explained the scheme; he was the co-ordinator for Colby Road, other areas covered in the parish were Mill Road and Church Road, of which Church Road was without a co-ordinator, and Mr. Ambrose of Mill Road had expressed a wish to retire from his post. Reports are issued via email to him; there was very little crime in our area, but the latest reports contained warnings about door to door salesmen.

2. VILLAGE GREEN TRANSFER

Cllr. Willcox had undertaken to take this up with the District Council, particularly with regard to legal fees.

**165. CORRESPONDENCE/REPORTS**

1. VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Members had received the report via email. Ms. Cort proposed its adoption, seconded by Mr. Anderson-Dungar, and unanimously agreed.

2. PARISH PLAN

Mrs. Bond presented the document as previously circulated to Members. The Plan was unanimously adopted, with thanks to Mrs. Bond for a very professional production, and to her and the Steering Group for all their work. Mrs. Bond asked for the Council’s agreement to the inclusion of a flyer to ask for volunteers to help implement the Action Plan, and this was unanimously given. Mrs. Bond and the Clerk would attend the Parish Plan evening at Aldborough.

3. AREA FORUM

The report of the January meeting was deferred in Mr. Snow’s absence.

4. GRIFFON PARTNERSHIP

Ms. Cort had attended the meeting on 14 February, and her report would be circulated to Members.

5. NORTH WALSHAM MULTI-SPORTS

Members had received details of the scheme including the possibility to extend to this parish. It was agreed to express interest in principle, and to investigate the possibility of using Colby School Field. A “champion” was also required – details would be publicised locally.

6. NORTH NORFOLK DISTRICT COUNCIL

The latest information on progress of the Local Development Framework was noted.

7. FIRST TIME SEWERAGE SCHEME

Members and residents had had the opportunity ask questions of the Anglian Water representatives at the Annual Parish Meeting earlier. It was unfortunate that the Building Inspectors did not attend for all of the open session, as residents who attended out of normal working hours did not have the benefit of discussion with them. North Norfolk District Council appeared satisfied with progress of the Trunch scheme. Anglian Water had agreed to investigate an alternative to use of the playing field for the sewer line.

**166. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

1. SCHEDULE OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk presented the schedule, as attached to the signed copy of these Minutes. The Chairman, seconded by Mrs. Keeler, proposed acceptance, unanimously agreed.

2. ONLINE BANKING FACILITY

The Clerk reported on discussions with Barclays Bank, and confirmed that the facility was requested only for the purposes of transferring funds between the Council's two accounts. The Chairman proposed acceptance of the request, seconded by Mrs. Keeler and unanimously agreed.

**167. PLANNING ISSUES**

1. APPLICATIONS DETERMINED

200703103/4 - Ringers Farm, Ingworth Road. Full and Listed Building consents had been given, and work had commenced.

2. APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

20070271 Old Mill Farm, Mill Road, Banningham  
Erection of Single Storey Side Extension  
The Chairman explained the proposals.

20070316 Long Lane, Colby  
Construction of Sewage Pumping Station with Telemetry

20070367 Bridge Road, Banningham  
Construction of Sewage Pumping Station with Telemetry

20070371 Mill Road, Banningham  
Construction of Sewage Pumping Station with Telemetry

The Chairman explained that the proposals for these applications related to the first time sewerage scheme. Having declared an interest earlier, he would leave the room during discussion of the Mill Road Sewage Pumping Station proposals.

**168. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING**

The meeting adjourned to take comments/questions from members of the public, which are included with these Minutes as they related to the pumping station applications related to Long Lane and Bridge Road. Comments on the Mill Road pumping station are also included as a separate section as the Chairman had withdrawn during this item.

**169. RESPONSE TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Old Mill Farm – support

Pumping Stations, Long Lane and Bridge Road – No objections, but concerns were raised about fencing and landscaping, and the lay-by proposed for Bridge Road, which was on a blind bend. Hawthorn was requested to shield the site on the Long Lane road frontage. The District Council was also asked to ensure that Anglian Water complied with any conditions related to landscaping.

Pumping Station, Mill Road – the Chairman withdrew and the Vice-Chairman took the chair. The meeting adjourned briefly to take comments from members of the public, recorded separately. The meeting then re-convened and agreed a response of No objection, with a request that the existing hedge was retained and maintained, and new hedging of native species. A stockproof fence was required, as there were cattle in the field behind.

**170. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/FUTURE AGENDA**

Norfolk Rural Community Council – open meeting on the rural economy at Hempnall on 28 March – for information, book via the Clerk if interested.

**171. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

This was confirmed as Tuesday 10 April, in the Jubilee Hall, Banningham commencing at 8p.m with the usual 10 minutes' public speaking time.

**172. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.06p.m.

**COMMENTS DURING ADJOURNMENT – PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 13  
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Pumping Station planning applications – the same general comments applied to both Long Lane and Bridge Road:

- Landscaping should be appropriate to the site, and the District Council asked to strongly enforce any conditions applied to the proposals. The meeting had been concerned to hear that Anglian Water tended to ignore these conditions. The meeting was aware that landscaping was subject to negotiation with landowners.
- The Long Lane station should be shielded along its road frontage with native species, such as hawthorn.
- Every care should be taken to minimize the impact on the environment. The question of safety for the lay-by proposed for Bridge Road was raised, as it was on a blind bend and 1m beyond the highway curtilage. If the service vehicle was a small van, it could park off road, although the Chairman stressed that tankers must be able to gain access if needed. Native hedging should be planted around the perimeter, and used to delineate the boundary, with fencing inside.

Comments on Mill Road were similar, but emphasised that hedging would need to be inside the fence line, and the fence should be of the stockproof variety to keep cattle in the field. Again, hedging should be native.