

Rocklands Parish Council (RPC)
Minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting (AGM)
7.00pm on Monday 4 September 2023

Present: David Howie Chair
Richard Harrison Vice-chair
Amanda-Jayne Buckland
Tim Ford
Bryan Swaddling
Kim Austin Clerk
Cllr. Sarah Suggitt Breckland District Councillor

Also present: 29 members of the public.

The meeting opened at 19:00

1. To consider accepting apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr. Ed Connolly who had other meetings to attend, Cllr. Anne Jones and David Napier and Dave Thomas. Apologies were accepted.

2. To record declarations of interest from members in any items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

3. To approve the minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting on Monday 3 July 2023

The minutes had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting. All councillors approved the minutes. The minutes were duly signed by the Chair, Cllr. David Howie.

4. To discuss any matters arising from the minutes (3 July 2023) not on the agenda.

A few matters were noted that would be brought up at the next SNAP (Norfolk Constabulary meeting). The cricket nets had been cut and the wickets damaged. The library in the phone box had been vandalised. Smoking paraphernalia and disposable were found at the pavilion.

5. To adjourn the meeting for public participation

The meeting was adjourned at 19:07. The Chairman decided to bring item 12. Planning application forward as most of the public present were here for this agenda item. See Item 12 for discussions.

6. To update on First Time Sewerage (RH).

Cllr. Harrison's report that had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

As I write, it just remains for a short length of tarmac on Chapel Street to be repaired and the main part of the project will be complete. Further to this, areas of the village, such as verges, will be reviewed and repaired as appropriate. Testing of the system will take place, observed by Anglian Water, before the contractors make the final handover to the water company. Final road sweeps of the village will be undertaken before the team leave the village.

Residents who have been provided with a lateral should wait until they have been formally informed that connections are possible before they attempt to connect. The next letter from Anglian Water should include residents' individual connection point drawings and confirm that the sewer is ready for connections.

Residents are reminded that, for each property - before any work starts, and most certainly before any connection is made - they must complete a 'Building Notice Form' and submit it to Breckland Building Control, together with a payment of £156.00. You must give Breckland Building Control at least two working days' notice before works commence, and your contractor must leave as much as possible of the completed work and connection uncovered for the Building Control officer to inspect.

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Once satisfied that the work complies with Building Regulations, Building Control will issue you with a 'Completion Certificate'.

There are a high number of HGVs travelling along the Attleborough Road and since the work was carried out the vibrations are being felt in the adjacent dwellings. This had been reported to Anglian Water.

7. To update on SID (flashing speed sign) (RH)

Cllr. Harrison's report had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

In the last period, the speed sign was deployed as follows:

a) Attleborough Road (B1077) - traffic from Caston

Deployed: 10:00 hrs 30 June 2023

Finished: 15:00 hrs 24 July 2023

The analysis results show:

23,692 vehicles detected

Average 979 vehicles/day

Morning peak time - 07:45 to 08:45

Afternoon peak time - 14:45 to 15:45

22,162 vehicles (93.5%) within **40 mph** speed limit

1,530 vehicles (6.5%) exceeding speed limit

- of which 258 vehicles (1.1%) over 45 mph - and likely open to a fine*

Top speed: **65 mph** - 17/07/2023, but also note that a further 5 vehicles were recorded at 60mph during this period.

Since the last deployment facing towards Caston:

- vehicle movements averaged 979 per day - a 9.9% decrease in daily traffic volumes.

- vehicles speeding numbered 1,530 (6.5%) - 2.9% less vehicles speeding.

- vehicles open to enforcement action numbered 258 (1.1%) - 0.7% less vehicles open to enforcement.

A welcome decrease in the number of vehicles speeding, and also those open to enforcement. This was also accompanied by a significant decrease in daily traffic volumes.

The maximum speed recorded was 1 vehicle at 65mph On 17 July. However, note that also 5 vehicles were recorded at 60mph during this period. As always, some of these vehicles may have been from the emergency services.

b) The Street - traffic approaching Village Hall from B1077 Crossroads

Deployed: 15:00 hrs 24 July 2023

Finished: 11:00 hrs 28 August 2023

The analysis results show:

11,166 vehicles detected

Average 321 vehicles/day

Morning peak time - 09:15 to 10:15

Afternoon peak time - 16:00 to 17:00

7,778 vehicles (69.7%) within **30 mph** speed limit

3,388 vehicles (30.3%) exceeding speed limit

- of which 767 vehicles (6.9%) over 35 mph - and likely open to a fine*

Top speed: **55 mph** - 09/08/23, *

Since the last deployment facing towards Caston:

- vehicle movements averaged 321 per day - a 5.6% decrease in daily traffic volumes.

- vehicles speeding numbered 3,388 (30.3%) - a 9.0% increase in vehicles speeding.

- vehicles open to enforcement action numbered 767 (6.9%) - 2.7% more vehicles open to enforcement.

The lowest daily traffic volumes, but the highest percentage of vehicles speeding since this period in 2021! Almost a third of vehicles speeding towards the Village Hall is wholly unacceptable for a village

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street with a posted speed limit of 30 mph. These measured results are consistent with the observations which some residents have been reporting to me recently.

On 3 occasions during this period, the SID recorded vehicles approaching the bend near the Village Hall at 55 mph - an irresponsible speed approaching a blind bend! Additionally, during this period, no less than 24 vehicles were recorded in this location travelling at 50 mph - a number never seen before at such speeds! I copied the report to Damion Wicks of Attleborough Police - asking that he kindly considers an officer be deployed on The Street, between the B1077 crossroads and the bend at the Village Hall, to monitor traffic speeds.

On both monitoring occasions above, I had to spend almost 30 minutes cutting-back the very high vegetation which had grown on the verge - obscuring the sign. As previously, I had to use my own cordless trimmer to do this. I copied the report to our area Highways engineer, and our County Councillor, politely requesting that at least the two verges in front of our speed sign locations on The Street are kept trimmed-low reasonably frequently.

A SNAP (Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel) meeting was held on Friday 21 July at Attleborough Town Hall - where we again discussed speeding issues, amongst other topics. In view of other aspects which need addressing across the area, speeding will not be a priority for the next period, but Police monitoring will still take place as resources permit.

In the last period, the Police issued 65 speeding enforcements and 14 'Words of Advice'. Further, from 29 July, the Police will also be deploying a new motorcycle-based speeding enforcement unit for a trial period of 8 weeks. This will enable them to set up monitoring where it has previously been impossible to deploy a Speed Camera Partnership van.

SNAP representatives were asked to consider whether they could host future SNAP meetings in their respective parishes e.g. in village halls - where more members of the local community could attend. They are also keen to continue their engagement with communities via their 'Coffee with a Cop' initiative (they have done this previously in our Community Shop).

On 28 August Cllrs Tim Ford and Bryan Swaddling helped move the sign to the North end of The Street - where it is now monitoring traffic approaching the B1077 crossroads from the Village Hall. As always, I am indebted to Tim for his unstinting support - and I am now further very grateful to both Tim and Bryan for agreeing to fully cover for me in all respects, whilst I recover from forthcoming major surgery.

8. To update on Flooding (RH). To include ditches at Mill Lane/Green Lane.

Cllr. Harrison's report had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

We still await a response from the Head of the NCC Water Management team, regarding arranging a visit by Karen Paterson of the Environment Agency, and the NCC Water Management Team - to involve key stakeholders/landowners in identifying agreed surface water flooding mitigation measures. This remains to be chased again.

Development at Mill Lane / Green Lane (Kemp Meadow)

Following the very disappointing responses from Simon Wood (Director of Planning and Building Control, Breckland Council), and from Breckland Planning Enforcement, I have written to the Head of the Flood and Water Management Team (and Lead Local Flood Authority) at Norfolk County Council - to highlight the serious situation on this development.

That the developer continues to isolate some of the drainage ditches, rendering them inaccessible to the site residents who will form the management company responsible for maintenance of the surface water management system, remains of great concern.

We hope for some sort of intervention, to prevent the site being left with a surface water management system which is extremely difficult/impossible to adequately maintain.

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In order to protect this area of the village from potential surface water flooding, we will persist in seeking to have this situation rectified.

9. To discuss Breckland Design Guide Consultation Draft (Public Consultation - Autumn 2023)

Breckland Council is in the process of developing a Design Guide which aims to raise the design standards and consistency of future development across the district. It will be used by developers and their agents to guide the design of their development and by Breckland Planning in determining applications. Design codes and guidance also need to be based on a clear understanding of the design issues that Breckland faces and a vision for what kind of place Breckland should become in the future. A survey has been sent out to all parish/town councils and will be the first of a number of consultations. The survey is open to all residents.

10. To receive news from village organisations and churches

Little Rocky's Toddler Group (SB)

SB reported they had had a successful summer programme plus siblings. 50 children and their parents every week. The mud kitchen has arrived and is loved by the children. A passing out ceremony was held for those children leaving and going to school. The Barn Dance to be held on 9 September is to raise funds for role play resources and sensory play for babies. Lights and mirrors. The Autumn Show is to be held in the Village Hall before the barn dance.

St. Peter's Church (John Brown).

There was a combined service of the 2 churches (RSP and RAS) at St. Peter's Church on 30 July; Songs of praise, free picnic in the church, live music, guitarist and a short service at 12 o'clock. Good to see Cllr. Howie there. Possibly an evening session with food at the Church. Barn dance tickets are £10.

All Saints Church (Cath Jones).

The Clerk read out the report received from Cath Jones.

Many thanks to those who have helped with churchyard maintenance following the plea in the Rocklander...it has been a great help. The new noticeboard had to be removed and mended after some unexpected wood shrinkage but is now back in place. Team Dekker/Scase are currently cleaning down the metal gates and railings and they will be re-painted as soon as the weather permits. The wildflower rewilding areas will be cut soon and the hay removed. The bench put up in memory of Gina Ayres has been restored and replaced back in the 'new' area of the graveyard again. A memorial slate plaque has been put on the remains of the huge tree that fell during Storm Eunice in February 2022- our thanks to Amanda Buckland for organising this, in memory of her father whose gravestone was damaged by the tree. On Sunday 17th September, we will be holding another outdoor service at All Saints (weather permitting) to celebrate our Pets and Harvest. This will be at 10.30 with music led by the Benefice Music Group as usual. Please come along and bring your pets...all are welcome if their owners can be well-behaved! It's always a lovely service with plenty of 'action' and energy y- if you don't have a pet of your own, come along and enjoy everyone else's! Contributions of non-perishable 'produce' will be given to the Food Bank, so please bring along a tin or packet or whatever you have available. Money from the collection will go to the Leprosy Society as always. On Saturday September 30th, in Rocklands Village Hall, we will be holding the annual Harvest Supper at 7pm. This is a traditional evening with a two-course home-cooked sit-down meal followed by some entertainment by the Roskettes. Tickets (£10 each) must be pre-booked as we provide food to order and can be obtained/ordered from Cath Jones and Julie Dekker. Please come and join us- it's always a good event!

Phone Box Library at Waylands Road (Sue Steel).

On 31 July 2023 Paul Monk posted some photos on the Rocklands Community Hub page of severe damage to the phone box library! On investigation it was found that the shelves had been brought down, and one was splintered, possibly by someone attempting to climb up the shelves. The phone box was cleared and resident, Josh Bates volunteered to go and assess the overall damage, and possibility of repair. On 8 August the library re-opened following the manufacture and installation (on one of the wettest

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weekends this summer !) by Josh Bates of new shelves and fixings ! Thank you also to Roger Steel for transport to clear and restock the phone box. There has been a terrific amount of support expressed for the resource that this little library provides and it is really encouraging to receive new donations of books to made available.

There was a vote of thanks for Sue Steel for maintaining the Village Library.

Rocklands Village Hall (SG)

The Clerk read out the report from Sarah Good. Next committee meeting and AGM is on Tuesday 17 October at 7pm. The committee is a small one and we are always looking for new members. The Village Hall remains busy with regular bookings during the week and events at weekends. The committee work tirelessly at maintaining the hall and the grounds. We would especially like to thank Shena Scholes, our bookings secretary for her constant hard work managing the hall hires. We are always making improvements to the hall ad a new efficient heating system is now in place. More long-term improvements to our facilities are in the planning stages.

Rocklands Playing Field. (SG)

The pavilion bar, toilets and changing rooms are due to be decorated shortly, thanks to one of our pro-active committee members.

We have run a deficit budget for the last few years, constantly eating into our reserves. The Breckland Council Covid Grant has helped us considerably and we probably wouldn't be here without it. We would welcome more committee members with fundraising ideas and time to action them.

We've recently paid for an annual inspection of the playground equipment, that has flagged a few issues for repair. The playground facility is mostly used by the children of local residents, costs us around £750 each year, which comes out of our ever-decreasing pot of money. The field, grass maintenance costs ~£2500 per year. We thank the Parish Council for their annual contribution of £130 towards the upkeep. Cllr. Buckland reported that takings from the bar are keeping the Playing Fields afloat.

11. To report on financial matters

11.1 Financial position

Bank account balances on Monday 4 September 2023

Barclays Community Account	£	7113.46
Barclays Saver (Reserve) Account	£	339.18
TOTAL as per bank	£	7452.64

Summary

RNP Rocklands Neighbourhood Plan/Village Survey	£	200.60 *
Community Fund (Coronation donations - £800)	£	534.95
RPC Rocklands Parish Council	£	6717.09
TOTAL as per bank	£	7452.64

* Original donation from Breckland/Groundworks for £500.

11.2 Money in since last meeting (3 July 2023)

25/8/2023	HMRC Vat claim (for the year 2022-2023)	£	187.21
4/9/2023	Barclays Saver A/C Interest	£	0.91
	TOTAL IN	£	188.12

11.3 Money out since last meeting (3 July 2023)

11.3.1 Standing Orders/Direct Debits

19/7/2023	NPower Electricity (DD)	£	42.98
1/8/2023	Clerk's wages (SO)	£	307.88
17/8/2023	NPower Electricity (DD)	£	43.83
1/9/2023	Clerk's wages (SO)	£	307.88
	TOTAL OUT	£	702.57

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11.3.2 Cheques out (to sign)

CHQ 804	Mower hire/petrol - Reimb. Bryan Swaddling	£	23.80
CHQ 805	Paper Reimburse - David Howie	£	4.65
CHQ 806	K&M Lighting services - 2 months July/Aug '23	£	35.28
CHQ 807	Reimburse Clerk - Post/Heat/Ink etc. 9 months	£	37.67

TOTAL OUT £ 101.40

Finance/Clerk's Notes:

Dog Poo bins.

Tim to take photos of where bin will be sited to use to hopefully gain approval. Sponsor money to be collected for two bins once the final bin is sited.

12.0 To consider planning applications

12.1 Planning outcomes since last meeting

3PL/2023/0241/VAR DEVLIN Allisons Farm 82 The Street NR17 1UX, Variation of Conditions 2, 3, 5, 9, 14 & 15 on 3PL/2021/0697/F **PERMISSION**

3PL/2023/0521/VAR CJB DEVELOPMENTS Site on corner of Mill Lane and Green Lane NR17 1UA, Variation of Conditions 2 & 5 on 3PL/2022/1199/VAR - to allow minor changes to scheme prior to completion (276) **PERMISSION**

3PL/2023/0539/F POLLARD Land at Kirk Hall Rocklands Road NR17 1XN, Conversion of an existing barn to 3 holiday lets (277) **REFUSED**

3PL/2023/0536/F MAPLE BARN GROOMING Maple Barns Magpie Lane NR17 1UU, Siting of a temporary static caravan (12.5m x 4m) to enable applicants to stay on site when equestrian activities are required such as foaling for a maximum period of 2 years (278) **REFUSED**

3PL/2023/0571/HOU PRESSLAND Vandeen Mill Lane NR17 1TX, single storey front & rear extensions, removal of existing chimney plus conversion of existing conservatory into a bedroom with raised flat roof (279) **PERMISSION**

3PL/2023/0599/F SIMMONDS Langdale Attleborough Road NR17 1UE, Change of use to allow an attached annexe to be used for long-term rentals (280) **REFUSED**

12.2 Applications/appeals pending outcome

APP/F2605/W/22/3312539 Appeal BECKER Stone Barn Mount Pleasant, Proposed New Holiday Cottage (274)

12.3 New applications since last meeting (Monday 3 July 2023)

3PL/2023/0702/F TUBBY Land North of Bell Road, Proposed 1no. equestrian dwelling with cart lodge, stables and paddocks (281)

The chairman asked if anyone would like to speak 'for' the application and Mr. and Mrs Tubby (Lisa and Jamie) responded. Lisa said she had been brought up locally in Griston for 30 years. Jamie builds lovely country homes for other people and they would now wanted to build their own dream home in Rocklands. One house and paddocks with hedging for wildlife. No business enterprise, so no extra traffic/lorries. The property they want is not available, hence wanting to build their own. They had knocked on as many neighbours' doors as possible to discuss their plans, as a kind gesture with no other intentions. Not everybody was in. Their ponies visit nursing homes who the residents enjoy seeing. They were happy to answer any questions.

The deputy head of Rocklands school spoke in favour saying young families should be supported. The chairman asked if anyone would like to speak 'against' the application. Not easy to buy a suitable house and land, and Jamie had a skillset they could utilise.

The chairman asked for anyone 'against' the application to speak.

Residents of Bell Road mentioned that a planning application had recently been refused by Breckland Planning on 2 June 2023 because Rocklands was significantly in excess of their housing allocation. This reason should apply to this planning application too. The application is also outside the settlement boundary. Residents opposite were concerned about the widening of the entrance from 3m to 4.8m and asked why this is necessary for a family home with two family cars. Lisa Tubby said it was suggested by the case officer. There were concerns about

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the maintenance of the existing mains water pipework if the access was widened. The proposed dwelling is massive and overpowering. It is too large for the location and too far forward on the plot. In the application it is referred to as an equestrian dwelling needed for the owners of the horses to be on site. Anyone that uses Bell Road for walking and cycling etc will be affected due to construction traffic and any subsequent increase in traffic. The residents had taken professional advice as a group.

A resident that considered he would be greatly affected by this application, was not able to attend this meeting but had sent a letter of objection which the Clerk read out:

Unfortunately, I am unable to be present at this meeting as I have a prolonged pre booked trip out of the country though I would certainly have attended otherwise.

I would like to register in the most strident way my opposition to what I feel is really a grossly inappropriate development. I have already submitted a fuller formal objection but will just set out the chief problems as I see it here briefly:

Firstly, Bell Road itself is really a tiny country lane. It was not designed for ever increasing volumes of traffic. It is tortuous and bending with many effectively blind turns. I realise it is just one additional household but the impact of yet more traffic during the likely long building phase and then once the project is completely with friends and other equestrian enthusiasts visiting on an ongoing basis would not be insignificant and would further stretch the road beyond its safe capacity.

Secondly, related to the above is the problem of vehicular access. The proposed entrance is sandwiched between two other properties on the opposite side of the road. As the road is exceedingly narrow there simply is not adequate space to allow vehicles on both sides to safely manoeuvre at the same time.

Thirdly, there will be increased noise and light pollution both during the building phase itself and subsequently. Large juddering equestrian vehicles and noise from the construction process will afford significant disturbance to residents. The area is currently completely dark at night and so outside lighting as will doubtless be required especially for the equestrian aspect of the development, will have a major aspect on this dark skies area and also detrimentally affect wildlife in the area.

Fourthly, I am concerned that the graveyard, which is still regularly used by local families and which houses the graves of some villagers only deceased in the past few years will lose its quiet and contemplative setting. Whereas it currently enjoys an overwhelming air of peace for families who visit, it will effectively be surrounded and overlooked by the new dwelling which will effectively obliterate its current tranquillity. I think it is only right and proper that families of the deceased are formally consulted about this.

Fifthly, the nature of the dwelling proposed is utterly out of keeping with other properties in the immediate proximity. Even a casual observer will note that the properties lining that part of Bell Road are either converted agricultural cottages or else modestly sized chalet style bungalows. The proposed dwelling would tower in height over these properties. The style is also far from that of a modest rural cottage.

Sixthly, the current field is teeming with many forms of animal, plant and insect life. Deer, rabbits, hares, buzzards, bats and butterflies are all seen frequently on the land in question. Building over this site will destroy wildlife habitats and adversely impact biodiversity.

Seventhly and finally, the development is beyond the usual line of development in the village. As such it represents an unwarranted encroachment on the beautiful countryside

that acts as a backdrop to Bell Road and is deeply appreciated and enjoyed by the current residents as a way of connecting them to the nature around them.

Although the Design and Access statement states that many villagers have welcomed the proposal, I do not know of any of us immediately affected by it on Bell Road who do so, and the concerns outlined above, as well as several others are deeply felt by all of us.

Dr Joe Kemp
Carillon
Bell Road

The chairman asked for comments from the Parish Councillors and they were all against the application, due to it being outside the settlement boundary, something they could not support, the house was massive and not in keeping, Rocklands are already well in excess of their housing allocation and there was considerable objections from local residents.

Cllr. Harrison raised a few points:

- The Design and Access statement said that foul water would be dealt with by the extended mains sewer - but no provision had been made for a lateral to connect to the mains sewer. A lateral connection would now cost in the region of £20,000.
- Nutrient neutrality. Reference is made to emails from Anglian Water but checking with Breckland Planning, these emails have not been forthcoming and are unavailable.
- An email is mentioned regards drainage but again there is no email available.
- Assessment of flood risk. The applicant says yes, the agent says no.
- HOU04 - guidance says any design needs to consider size, design and scale and respect the setting. This house just doesn't fit. Could be moved backwards into the plot.

Cllr. Howie summarised; As a Parish Council we should be welcoming young families into Rocklands, however, the Parish has a settlement boundary and the Parish Council have worked hard to preserve this, successfully, over many years. This application is outside the boundary. Above all, a Parish Council MUST take in the view of any residents affected by an application and in this case, the residents of Bell Road stand solidly together against this application for many reasons. To reiterate, Breckland have pointed out that Rocklands is well in excess of its housing quota and applications have recently been refused on this basis. On this basis Cllr.

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Howie also objected to the application. The clerk would post comments on the Breckland Planning website, objecting to this application.

3PL/2022/1300/F SOUTHGATE/Land to South side of Swangey Lane NR17 1XJ, 8no. poultry houses with associated admin blocks, feed bins and ancillary development (Revised scheme) which is accompanied by an Environmental Statement and non-technical summary (283)

Cllr. Howie asked for a show of hands. There were no supporters of this application and 13 voted against. The Parish Council have already submitted a very comprehensive objection report. This latest document does nothing to change the views of the Parish Council or very many residents who all agree this application must not be allowed to go ahead and must be refused. It should be noted that Highways also continue to object as do all Adjacent Parish Councils. Anglian Water consultation - they are not prepared to comment on pollution! This has gone on for far too long. Cllr Howie urged Breckland Planning to REFUSE this application now. If the case officer recommends refusal, it might not be referred to the Planning Committee. Councillor Suggitt doesn't want it to go to the planning committee. They could still withdraw but would now not get a 'free go', instead would have to pay again. A straight refusal would suffice. Cllr. Harrison commented that the Design and Access statement is not substantial, arguments do not stand up and additional modelling has still not been done or addressed. No supporting documents.

Very frustrating that it is taking so long but as long as it is refused eventually, we can wait !

3PL/2023/0724/F QUINN 1 Mount Pleasant NR17 1XQ, Demolish Existing House and Outbuildings and construct a replacement house and linked annex with detached garages/storage (284).

The applicant had wanted to keep the house, but after being left empty for 7 years it was in a bad state of repair. The original application had been withdrawn after advice from the planning officer who said they would not be able to grant permission without all of the Bat Surveys completed. The application was resubmitted with no changes except to include the updated ecological appraisal following the bat surveys.

The neighbours continue to support the application and were relieved that it was just for one dwelling, and one that was nice looking, not too huge and that would fit in well with the surrounding area. The parish councillors all agreed they had no objection to this application. They were all happy with the design and especially materials, such as the flint stones being re-used. The design is in keeping with other houses in Mount Pleasant. Cllr. Howie confirmed the application was replacing not adding to housing stock. The Clerk would submit a comment of NO OBJECTION on the Breckland Planning website.

13.0 To update on the Rocklands Neighbourhood Plan (RNP) and Local Plan (LP)

The Parish Council believes it is important to have a **Neighbourhood Plan** in place. Much work has already been done. There has been no response to the advert in the Rocklander for anyone interested to continue the good work already done. RNP - therefore still pending.

Breckland Local Plan (RH)

On 12 July, I received an email from Andrew D'Arcy (Breckland Planning Policy Manager) - confirming that I will be one of the contacts who will be consulted by the successful contractor carrying out the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) for the new Breckland Local Plan. I have given Andrew permission to pass on my email address to said consultants.

This is an opportunity to highlight the surface water flooding problems which we have in certain parts of Rocklands and get them documented as a key reference to inform planning matters going forward.

Settlement boundaries. There has been talk of removing settlement boundaries which would result in a 'free for all' in terms of future development.

Cllr. Howie will be attending the Local Plan preview session on 13 September at Dereham Town Hall. This is organised by Filigre - appointed by Breckland to lead the community consultation. From late

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September, members of the public will be invited to share their views on the issues and options stage of the Local Plan through a series of exhibitions in market towns.

14. To discuss any correspondence.

Defibrillator at the Shop. Cllr. Ford had received an email from a resident who had suggested another defibrillator be located at the shop as they considered there was not one at the school end of the village. There is one at the Sports Ground and at the Village Hall but they thought one at the shop would be a very wise move as there is an ever-increasing number of customers, and not just from the village, that use the community shop and post office. With that amount of custom, should the unfortunate necessity arise for the use of a defibrillator, the shop is just too far away from the other installations to be of use. The resident asked: How can we go about organising getting this incredible piece of equipment ? Is it something the council has already looked into and is in motion or do we need to have some fund- raising event or grant hunt to aid in the acquisition of this kit?

Cllr. Ford explained there is one, recently installed at the school but it is inside and therefore not available 24/7. The defibrillators at the Village Hall and the Playing Fields are always available and on the Ambulance Service register. Approximate costs are: £1000 for a unit, £500 for a cabinet, £200 for installation, Batteries £290 and pads (adult and children) need replacing every 2 years or if used. The total cost is high and funding would need to be sought. Possible NALC or Breckland ?

15. AOB - To receive items for the next agenda.

Thieves Lane. John Brown mentioned the horses at Thieves Lane horses were going. Might be a planning application on the horizon ...

16. Date of next Meeting - Monday 6 November 2023, 7pm.

The meeting closed at 21:11

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Rocklands SID - Vehicles from Caston Direction (page 1)

Start			30/06/2023	01/07/2022	04/03/2022	04/11/2021
Finish			22/07/2023	29/07/2022	02/04/2022	03/12/2021
Total Vehicles			23,692	30,578	36,234	34,719
Average Vehicles/day			979	1,087	1,253	1,202
Morning Peak			07:45-08:45	07:45-08:45	07:30-08:30	07:45-08:45
Afternoon Peak			14:45-15:45	16:00-17:00	15:45-16:45	14:45-15:45
Max Speed (date)			65 (17/07/23 - 22:10)	60 (04/07/22 - 21:35)	60 (07/03/22 - 15:50)	60 (15/11/21 - 02:50)
0-40 mph			22,162	27,708	32,642	32,001
%			93.54	90.61	90.09	92.17
40+ mph			1,530	2,870	3,592	2,718
%			6.46	9.39	9.91	7.83
45+ mph			258	538	643	454
%			1.09	1.76	1.77	1.31
45-50			227	468	548	412
%			0.96	1.53	1.51	1.19
50-55			25	62	84	40
%			0.11	0.20	0.23	0.12
55-60			5	8	11	2
%			0.02	0.03	0.03	0.01
60-65			1	0	0	0
%			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
65-70			0	0	0	0
%			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
70-75			0	0	0	0
%			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
75-80			0	0	0	0
%			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Rocklands SID - Vehicles from Caston Direction (page 2)

Start	03/07/2021	04/03/2021	02/11/2020	04/05/2020	05/03/2020	12/12/2019
Finish	04/08/2021	06/04/2021	03/12/2020	03/06/2020	03/04/2020	06/01/2020
Total Vehicles	39,567	38,508	31,201	24,850	29,009	24,913
Average Vehicles/day	1,232	1,165	1,007	832	1,000	993
Morning Peak	07:45-08:45	07:45-08:45	07:45-08:45	10:30-11:30	07:30-08:30	07:45-08:45
Afternoon Peak	16:15-17:15	14:30-15:30	15:30-16:30	16:15-17:15	16:00-17:00	15:15-16:15
Max Speed (date)	65 (19/07/21 - 23:55)	60 (05/03/21 - 07:05)	60 (11/11/20 - 14:35)	60 (05/05/20 - 05:50)	65 (12/03/20 - 05:35)	60 (13/12/19 - 18:50)
0-40 mph	35,989	34,370	28,173	21,279	25,125	22,051
%	90.96	89.25	90.30	85.63	86.61	88.51
40+ mph	3,578	4,138	3,028	3,571	3,884	2,862
%	9.04	10.75	9.70	14.37	13.39	11.49
45+ mph	622	811	528	815	915	588
%	1.57	2.11	1.69	3.28	3.15	2.36
45-50	543	693	470	692	751	501
%	1.37	1.80	1.51	2.78	2.59	2.01
50-55	70	111	50	112	148	80
%	0.18	0.29	0.16	0.45	0.51	0.32
55-60	8	7	8	11	15	7
%	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.03
60-65	1	0	0	0	1	0
%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
65-70	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
70-75	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
75-80	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Rocklands SID - The Street, Vehicles from Crossroads (page 1)

Start				24/07/2023	17/01/2023	29/07/2022
Finish				28/08/2023	28/02/2023	02/09/2022
Total Vehicles				11,166	14,309	11,735
Average Vehicles/day				321	340	335
Morning Peak				09:15-10:15	08:00-09:00	09:15-10:15
Afternoon Peak				16:00-17:00	15:00-16:00	17:00-18:00
Max Speed (date)				55 (09/08/23, 07:35)	55 (11/02/2023, 13:45)	70 (29/08/2022, 15:25)
0-30 mph				7,778	11,260	8,209
%				69.66	78.69	69.95
30+ mph				3,388	3,049	3,526
%				30.34	21.31	30.05
35+ mph				767	593	818
%				6.87	4.14	6.97
35-40				632	512	670
%				5.66	3.58	5.71
40-45				108	70	126
%				0.97	0.49	1.07
45-50				24	10	20
%				0.21	0.07	0.17
50-55				3	1	1
%				0.03	0.01	0.01
55-60				0	0	0
%				0.00	0.00	0.00
60-65				0	0	0
%				0.00	0.00	0.00
65-70				0	0	1
%				0.00	0.00	0.01

Rocklands SID - The Street, Vehicles from Crossroads (page 2)

Start	02/04/2022	05/12/2021	04/08/2021	06/04/2021	03/12/2020	04/08/2020
Finish	03/05/2022	05/01/2022	03/09/2021	06/05/2021	03/01/2021	04/09/2020
Total Vehicles	10,590	9,139	10,300	11,092	9,337	10,341
Average Vehicles/day	342	295	344	369	300	332
Morning Peak	08:00-09:00	10:30-11:30	09:45-10:45	08:30-09:30	11:15-12:15	09:30-10:30
Afternoon Peak	17:30-18:30	14:45-15:45	16:45-17:45	17:30-18:30	14:45-15:45	17:00-18:00
Max Speed (date)	50 (06/04/22, 18:05)	60 (15/12/21, 13:40)	55 (18/08/21, 23:30)	50 (07/04/21, 06:30)	50 (04/12/20, 13:10)	60 (31/08/20, 02:55)
0-30 mph	7,403	6,902	7,050	7,592	7,134	7,180
%	69.91	75.52	68.45	68.45	76.41	69.43
30+ mph	3,187	2,237	3,250	3,500	2,203	3,161
%	30.09	24.48	31.55	31.55	23.59	30.57
35+ mph	669	463	845	788	495	760
%	6.32	5.07	8.20	7.10	5.30	7.35
35-40	561	393	691	661	419	623
%	5.30	4.30	6.71	5.96	4.49	6.02
40-45	98	58	130	113	68	110
%	0.93	0.63	1.26	1.02	0.73	1.06
45-50	10	11	20	14	8	24
%	0.09	0.12	0.19	0.13	0.09	0.23
50-55	0	0	4	0	0	24
%	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.23
55-60	0	1	0	0	0	1
%	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
60-65	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
65-70	0	0	0	0	0	0
%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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