CRINGLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting of Cringleford Parish Council was held on Thursday 9th April 2015 in The Willow Centre, 1-13 Willowcroft Way, Cringleford, at 7.30 p.m.

Present:-

Mr K Hogan – Chair Mrs A Howlett
Mr A Chater – Vice Chair Mr M Jalil
Mr G Champion Prof M Wagstaff

Mr C Hopper

In attendance:-

PC G. Hambling 13 members of the public Heidi Frary – Acting Clerk

1. To accept apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Mr M Allsop, Mr D Strange, Mrs I Kirk and Mr G Mole.

2. To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 10th April 2014

The minutes were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

3. To report matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda: for information only.

None.

4. To Receive a report from the Police

PC Hambling reported the recent crime figures for the Parish

12 March – assault

27 March - assault

29 March - criminal damage to a car

27 March – road rage

28 March - theft of fence rails from farm

Ongoing issues with antisocial behaviour and minor drug use

5. To receive a presentation from Bidwells on the Centre for Food and Health

Presentation by Glyn Davis – Bidwells, Dr Nick Goodwin – Institute of Food Research. Mr Davis reminded the meeting that the development was totally within the parish of Colney. He explained that the Centre for Food and Health is designed to be a landmark building is highly sustainable with a very low energy usage. It is being funded by three local companies and will be staffed by 300 people, the majority of whom will be moving from other areas in the park with an overall likely increase in staff of 25% with the next 5 years with 1,000 patients every week being treated in the gastroenterological centre. To allow for this increase in traffic the junction with Hethersett Lane is due to be upgraded later this month and the proposed Centre for Food and Health will be accessed both from the hospital and

surrounding area. The perimeter road will be extended and staff parking and pedestrian / cycle access will be from the John Innes Centre.

A formal planning application will be submitted sometime in May but any queries in the meantime will be welcomed by Bidwells to enable a considered response to the planning application on submission.

If successful the build will begin this Autumn and finish in September 2017.

4 members of the public left the meeting at 7.51pm

6. To receive the Annual Report of the Council

Chairman, Mr Hogan read his report. There were no questions.

7. To receive the County Councillor's Report

Miss Virgo read her report. There were no questions

8. To receive the District Councillor's Report

Dr Kemp & Mr Wheatley read their report. Mr Wheatley added that the financial savings made by SNC have enabled a balanced budget. Services should continue at the current level due to the increased income from investment in both buildings and commercialisation.

MW questioned the recording of planning committee meetings as the minutes are very brief. Mr Wheatley informed the meeting that all members contributions are noted by Clerk of the meeting and are included in documentation relating to planning appeals therefore are disclosed to the Planning Inspector.

Thanks were recorded for the SNC contribution towards planting in front of the Jewson site.

9. To receive a report from Cringleford Hub Community Café No report had been received.

10. To receive a report from Humbleyard Practice Manager

Dr Epstein and Joni Graham explained that the surgery has capacity for expansion. There are currently 2.25 doctors based at Cringleford with support available from two other surgeries. The surgery are applying for government funding to extend from eight to ten consulting rooms and there are recruitment plans for GPs as well as registrars (fully qualified doctors training to become GP's) and nursing practitioners who are able to take more roles and have a widening skill mix. The surgery are confident that they will be able to cope with the increased number of patients associated with both the care home and new houses being built.

11. To receive parishioner's questions on local issues

The chair of Junior Football Club wished to record his thanks for Anne Barnes hard work encouraging the football club. Tony Chater will be discussing the issues of pitch hire during the Council meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.