

## Trunch Parish Council

An Ordinary Meeting of Trunch Parish Council was held in the Methodist Church Community Room on Wednesday 5th February. The meeting was attended by the Clerk, ten Councillors and twelve residents.

Residents in favour of the Parish Council requesting North Norfolk District Council to impose a Public Spaces Protection Order effectively banning dogs from the playing presented further evidence in favour of a ban. Dogs roaming free on the playing field were observed and one resident reported that when he tried to gain evidence of a dog owner allowing his dog to foul the playing field, he was told by the offender that he would call the police. This is after the public meeting, reported separately, where we were all trying to get a way forward regarding the future use of the playing field. Have the dog owners who allow their dogs to deposit mess on the playing field no shame, there are children actively trying to enjoy themselves but run the risk of being contaminated. Can everybody please read the report of the Public Meeting and work together to stop this blight once and for all before we are obliged to request an Order banning dogs and implement solutions to enforce it.

Due to new and additional information from the Village Society and users of the skateboard half pipe the Council will review the resolution to have the skateboard facility removed. Councillor Burns agreed to work with the users and Village Society in an attempt to satisfy the Parish Council that the necessary safety measures will be addressed, vital maintenance and improvements to the durability are implemented and above that it is used for the purpose that it was provided.

We know the condition of the road outside of the Crown Pub remains in a poor state despite our requests to the County Council to arrange for repairs. A date for the repairs has to be agreed as parked vehicles will need to be removed in order for the repairs to be carried out. Although the Norfolk County Council have advised us that a replacement of the damaged road name sign 'Pyghtle Close' is in hand the sign remains in a collapsed state after four months since it was first reported. Really!!

Councillor Wild reported that a tree had fallen over a footpath and some maintenance to others was required. The Clerk reported that it is likely that the Parish Council will receive a budget from Norfolk County Council for the future maintenance of the footpaths in and around Trunch. This will mean that we have control to react immediately to notification of damage and other issues.

Councillor Burns provided an update of the Vision, Trunch 2030, and reported that he had received varying levels of interest depending on each of the issues covered. However, will draft proposals for the next stages for further discussions on how the village residents can get involved with this extremely important initiative.

After constant requests to empty the litter and dog bins the North Norfolk District will monitor the delivery and standard of the service by their waste management contractor, Messrs Kier Ltd

Councillor Spencer continued his dialogue with the Diocese concerning the purchase of the allotment sites and renewal of the lease. A content of the meeting with the Diocese held recently will be reported in the next edition of the 'Mardle'. A resident suggested that some of the allotments could be fenced off and used by owners to exercise their dogs.

The full Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings and details of the Councillors can be found on the Parish Council website [www.trunchparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.trunchparishcouncil.co.uk) The next meeting of Trunch Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 4th March at 7.30pm in the Methodist Church Meeting Room. A Parish Council page also features on the Village web site [www.trunch-norfolk.co.uk](http://www.trunch-norfolk.co.uk)

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