

MUNDESLEY-ON-SEA PARISH COUNCIL

MUNDESLEY-ON-SEA PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18th December 2017 IN THE CORONATION HALL, MUNDESLEY.

Present: Cllr D Harding (Chair) (Vice Chairman) Cllr L Stango
J Holliman, D Revell, C Payne, P Keddell, K Cheetham, Cllr Greer, J. Parke, P Gray.

Members of Public: – 7

Clerk: Ms D. Joy

Prior to the meeting the Chair announced any person wishing to photograph, record, broadcast or transmit the proceedings of a meeting should notify the Council at the beginning of the meeting and that this meeting was being recorded

MINUTES

01 Apologies for Absence

Cllr West – previous engagement

02 Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations

Cllr Harding declared an interest in Item 7.1

Cllr Stango declared an interest in Item 23

Cllr Payne declared an interest in Item 7.5

03 Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1 To agree and sign Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 27th November 2017.

Cllr Greer Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Cheetham Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** the minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Monday 27th November 2017. The Chair signed the minutes.

3.2 To adopt the Minutes of the Employment Committee Meeting held on Monday 27th November 2017.

Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Stango Seconded the proposal.

Members **ADOPTED** the minutes of the Employment Committee Meeting held on Monday 27th November 2017.

04 Chairman's Announcements

To receive an update from the North Norfolk Town and Parish Council Forum

Elizabeth Withington thanked members for their invitation and introduced Richard Arguile and Julie Chance. The Forum was set up in 2015 to give Town and PARISH Councils a voice and to pull together for the common concerns in North Norfolk.

(Full report attached to the minutes)

To receive an update from the Community Housing Fund

Nicky Debbage thanked Council for their invitation. The aim of the Community Housing Fund is to create affordable homes for the people local to Mundesley in Mundesley.

(Full reported attached to the minutes)

05 Police Report

5.1 To receive an update on incidents from Police.uk site

The Clerk noted that the Police.uk site was still on September, so no update at this meeting.

5.2 Police Newsletter for November 2017.

Mundesley has been given priority over the next few weeks due to the anti-social behaviour/criminal damage to the toilets on the sea front.

06 County & District Councillor Reports

6.1 To receive County Councillor's Report

Cllr Ed Maxfield was unable to attend. (See attached his report)

Cllr Greer asked that it be passed on the importance of gritting the roads in Mundesley.

6.2 To receive District Councillor's Report

Cllr Smith and Cllr Northam sent their apologies

07 Planning, Building & Environment Committee

7.1 Planning Applications

PF/17/1990 Erection of single storey extension side/rear.

31 Cromer Road, Mundesley, Norwich, NR11 8DA

Cllr Stango Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Payne Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** to **SUPPORT** this application.

PF/17/1891 Change of use of dwelling (C3) to residential institution (C2) (Retrospective)

3 Tasman Drive, Mundesley, Norwich, NR11 8JJ

Cllr Payne Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Gray Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** to **NO OBJECTION OR COMMENT** on this application

PF/17/2091 Erection of chalet bungalow

Munbeck, 19 Marina Road, Mundesley, Norwich, NR11 8BJ

Cllr Payne Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Stango Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** to **SUPPORT** this application

7.2 Planning Decisions

PF/17/1335 Single storey extensions to rear with increase to ridge height, new roof with higher ridge and roof lights to provide habitable space with roof space
41 Cromer Road, Mundesley, Norwich, NR11 8DA - **Withdrawn**

7.3 To receive an update on the speed bumps in Beach Road carpark and to consider and agree an action.

The Clerk noted that NNDC would still be the land owners, but Council would accept all the responsibility if the bumps were damaged or needed to be replaced.

Cllr Payne Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Cheetham Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** not to install the speed bumps in Beach Road car park.

7.4 To consider and agree whether to stay with the current water provider for the Pavilion.

Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Greer Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** to stay with the current water provider for the Pavilion.

7.5 To consider and agree if Council wishes to state an interest in taking over the provisions of grounds maintenance from NNDC for the activity in Mundesley.

Cllr Revell Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Keddell Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** to consider the proposal subject to the financial implications and the choice of areas to take over.

08 Finance & General Purposes Committee

8.1 To consider and agree November's banks reconciliations of accounts.

Cllr Revell Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Greer Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** November's banks reconciliations of accounts.

The Chair and the RFO signed the bank statements.

8.2 To consider and agree November's petty cash reconciliations.

Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Gray Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** November's petty cash reconciliations.

The Chair and the RFO signed the bank statements.

- 8.3 To consider Decembers payments for approval.
Cllr Gray Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Greer Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** December's payments for approval.
- 8.4 To consider and agree to sign the Parish Precept for 2018/2019.
Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Keddel Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** the Parish Precept for 2018/2019.
The Chair and RFO signed the Parish Precept.
- 09 Events Working Group**
- 9.1 Update on the Christmas Fayre.
Cllr Stango commented that the Christmas Fayre had gone well and Thanked Liz Payne for collecting Santa.
- 9.2 To consider and agree if to join in the Battles Over a Nations Tribute.
The Clerk commented that there will be a Beacon Lighting to celebrate the 100 year Anniversary of World War1 and would Council like to register an interest in taking part in this.
Cllr Harding Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Cheetham Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** to join in the Battles Over a Nations Tribute.
- 10 Coastal**
- 10.1 To consider and agree whether to complete the Deep History Survey.
The Clerk asked that Council email their answers urgently to she can then fill in the online questionnaire.
Cllr Harding Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Greer Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** to email their answers to the Clerk so she may to complete the Deep History online survey.
- 10.2 To consider and agree how many fundraising rocks to order for the Mundesley Coast Protection Scheme.
Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Holliman Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** to or 50 fundraising rocks for the Mundesley Coast Protection.
- 10.3 To consider and agree which Councillors are to attend a meeting with NNDC in regards to the proposed concessions.
The Clerk informed Council that she had received dates form NNDC that they are able to meet with Council.
Cllr Revell Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Payne Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** for Cllr Greer, Cllr Holliman Cllr Revell and Cllr Stango to attend the meeting with NNDC.
- 11 Highways**
- 11.1 Update on meeting with Highways on One Way issue.
Cllr Cheetham commented that he had met with Highways and they cannot see anything more they can do.
- 12 Policies, Documents, Communications and Training**
- 12.1 To consider and agree Council buying publisher for the office laptop.
Cllr Stango commented that the Clerk does the posters and leaflets for Council at home on her laptop and would Council considered obtaining the software for the office lap top so she doesn't have to do work at home.
Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Stango Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** for the Clerk to obtain the costs involved and then report back to Council.
- 12.2 To consider and agree for Cllr Harding to go on a Chairman's Course.
Cllr Revell Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Cheetham Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** for Cllr Harding to go on a Chairman's Course.
- 13 Museum**
Nothing to report

14 Woodhurst

- 14.1 Update on work at Woodhurst and to consider and agree actions in regards to Woodhurst.
The Clerk noted that the chimney, valleys, soffits and fascias had now been completed. The pest control issue had been rectified and the electrical work that needed to be done had also been completed. The shower room is leaking in heavy rain and this needs to be fixed.
Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Parke Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** for the shower room roof to be fixed.

15 Gold Park

- 15.1 Update on Playground inspections and to consider and agree an action if needed.
Cllr Holliman commented there was nothing to report.
- 15.2 Update on ROSPA inspection and advice from Renosteel.
The Clerk reported that she had met with Renosteel and was putting together an action plan of repairs for Council to consider and agree.
- 15.3 To consider and agree if to charge a fee for the wedding marquee on Gold Park next year.
Cllr Payne Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Harding Seconded the proposal.
Members **AGREED** for there to be no fee, but to ask them to make a donation to the Coastal Protection Scheme for Mundesley.

16 Health and Safety

- 16.1 Nothing to report

17 Reports from Outside Bodies

- 17.1 To receive Reports from Member representatives on Outside Bodies
- Coronation Hall – the decorating is going well
 - Citizens Advice Bureau - The CAB feel there is no need for a surgery in Mundesley. They are now held at North Walsham.
 - MADRA – Nothing to report
 - Mundesley Youth & Community – Nothing to report
 - Inshore Lifeboat -The Lifeboat are buying a Thermal Imaging Camera to help find missing person and people lost at sea.
 - Visitors Centre – Nothing to report
 - Maritime Museum – Nothing to report
 - North Norfolk Tourism Overview and Management Forum – Nothing to report
 - Overstrand Partnership Forum – Nothing to report
 - Coastal Protection Committee – Nothing to report (BS)
 - Bacton Liaison Committee – Nothing to report
 - SNAP – Mundesley has been given priority over the next few weeks due to the anti-social behaviour/criminal damage to the toilets on the sea front.

18 To Report any other Business

Note that this is to report matters for inclusion in a future agenda or matters which require no decision to be made by the Council
None

19 Correspondence

- 19.1 To consider correspondence received by the Council and agree responses thereto
A. Email from Norfolk County Council on budget consultation.
The Clerk reported that Council could comment on Norfolk County Councils Budget Consultation online.

B. Email from Norfolk Coast Projects.

The Clerk noted that Council had been asked to respond to the Norfolk Coast Partnership survey.

Cllr Revell Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Cheetham Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** to answer the questions as follows:

- 1) We believe that you have expressed an interest in the possibility of producing a Neighbourhood Plan for Mundesley? If so, at what stage are you?
Council is at the brainstorming stage at this moment.
- 2) Would your parish be interested in attending a Neighbourhood Plan event in Spring 2018? Where would your preferred location be out of Fakenham/Holt/Cromer?
Cromer
- 3) Would your parish be interested in joining a parishes working group on Neighbourhood Plans?
Council may consider joining this in the future.

C. Letter from a resident re Parish Council Web site.

The Clerk reported that the Chair had received a direct letter and sent a letter of acknowledgment to the resident and the Clerk would update on the progress of the new website.

D. Emails in regards to the Seafront lights.

The Clerk commented that this would be the last time this item would appear on the agenda and that any decision made by Council would need to be monitored and reviewed in the future, if need be.

Cllr Payne Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Harding Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** for Cllr Holliman to meet again with TT Jones between the hours of 4.30pm and 5 and make any further adjustments and to have the timers fitted.

E. Thank you from Munhaven for attending their Christmas event.

F. A Christmas card from Norman Lamb.

20 Public Participation Time

The meeting will be adjourned for a period specified in the Resolution to allow Members of the Public and any Councillors with prejudicial interests to speak.

Note that only items on this Agenda are to be discussed – for any other item/ subject please contact the Clerk in writing for submission at a future meeting.

A member of the public noted that if you are charging for someone to use a space you should let your insurance know to ensure the liability to Council.

21 Date of Next Meeting

- 21.1 To confirm that the date of the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 29th January 2018 in the Jubilee Room, Coronation Hall at 7:00pm.

22 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To resolve under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the Press and Public be excluded during the discussion of CONFIDENTIAL employment matters and possible litigation matters.

Cllr Stango left the meeting

23 EMPLOYMENT

- 23.1 To receive an update on Irwin Mitchell.

Cllr Harding noted that Irwin Mitchell did not see the advantage of getting a hand writing expert.

- 23.2 To consider and agree whether to hire a hand writing expert

Cllr Harding Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Cheetham Seconded the proposal.

Members **AGREED** not to hire a hand writing expert.

23.3 Update on Hayes and Storr.

The Clerk commented that she had found a Hayes and Storr letter in the office.

23.4 To consider and agree instructing and paying the fee Andrew Brett from NP Law to provide a statement for Norman Lamb confirming his professional opinion on the Hayes and Storr report, at the Extraordinary Meeting on the 12th September 2016 .

The Clerk advised Council that they may not be able to authorise this information to be passed on due to data protection regulations and the fact that the comments are coming from a meeting which excluded the press and public and contains a report that is not a public document. The Clerk would take advice on this and report back to Council.

Cllr Cheetham Proposed to move the motion and Cllr Holliman Seconded the proposal Members **AGREED** that Cllr Stango contacts Norman Lamb and suggests that he writes to MPC requesting their permission for him to approach Andrew Brett of NP Law, requesting his comments on the Hayes and Storr report.

MEETING CLOSED: 9:20pm

CHAIR: _____

DATE: _____

Mundesley Parish Council 18th December 2017 7pm Coronation Hall
NNTPF Update by Cllr Liz Withington

Good evening I'm Cllr Liz Withington from Sheringham Town Council, I am also the Chair of The North Norfolk Town and Parish Forum, which was formed in 2015 as a result of concerns with a lack of a voice for Town and Parish councils to share their issues and move ideas forward.

As a result of the formation of the forum we have been leading on raising awareness about the issue of high levels of second homes in North Norfolk, the impact that this is having on local communities and local council concerns, with the way in which the funding from Second Homes Council tax is allocated for distribution among the community

The first major point that has to be established is that this campaign is not about Second Home Owner bashing. In North Norfolk we are all too well aware, as in many other areas of our county and the UK, these second homes are a vital component in our tourist dependent economies. It is about understanding how the detrimental effects on local communities from high levels of second home ownership can be mitigated through the fair and equal distribution of second homes council tax across the UK.

High levels of second homes in towns and villages have led to a loss of amenities, facilities and community infrastructure, both physical and in terms of the people in the community to support and volunteer in that community. This has led to dying communities and increased isolation, of particularly the elderly and the vulnerable.

Massive inflation of house prices and rents have led to north Norfolk having the greatest gap in the UK between average house prices and average income. A situation which is unsustainable, as locals cannot afford to live in the area and become forcibly disconnected from their communities. A first time buyer needs on average £81k deposit and with average incomes of 20k purchasing with a mortgage is almost impossible. Ultimately this situation will also lead to a lack of employees and issues for the local economy and it's future growth. You can see how some of these issues link into Neighbourhood Plan policies as well.

Reductions in the housing stock available for permanent housing are also a big part of this. Salthouse and Blakeney on the coast, have only around 50% of its housing available for permanent housing. In Sheringham over 600 of its 4000 homes are second homes. There are around 750 people currently with a link to Sheringham trying to access homes in their community. For yourselves 215 of your 1700 homes are second homes or holiday homes. This works out at 12% of your housing stock. The huge impact of this shortage is obvious.

High levels of second homes is not just a coastal community issue. The inland communities of Thornage and Thursford have 1 in 3 houses unavailable for permanent housing and Horning 1 in 5.

Eric Pickles and the DCLG designated Second homes council Tax as an income stream to support those communities adversely effected by high levels of second homes. However, there is a lack of clarity as to what constitutes community in this case and how the income generated by SHCT should be spent.

Nationally many types of council including Norfolk CC and NNDC consider it to be council tax to be used to fund general council expenditure. NCC since 2012 and the demise of the community Partnerships, has been redirecting some funds back to districts. Over time this amount has been reducing. 17/18 saw this reduced from 75% to districts in 2012 to 12.5%. This is expected to reduce further to 0% in 18/19.

NNDC has been allocating their share through the Big society fund. There have been many worthwhile projects funded for local communities by this scheme. However the income has not necessarily gone to those communities with high numbers of second homes. In fact our investigations show that 50% of those communities with higher than average second homes for the area haven't received grants. 57% of grants go to communities with well below the average numbers of second homes. 6 projects out of 93 up to end 2016 have gone towards social/ community enterprise projects. These are the types of projects which communities with high second homes have identified as those needed by them. Many of which also don't meet the criteria of the BSF.

As a result, of the £2, 356,298 allocated to NNDC from SHCT up to end of 2016 only 24% of the available income has been allocated. £1,032,567 has been directed to ear marked reserves and 750k being consumed in the general budget of NNDC

Initially there was a discount of 50% set by NCC. When the Government said that this could be reduced and the money directed back to the communities effected NCC reduced the discount to 5%. Very recently NCC have agreed there will be no discount in 2018/19

Our initial discussions with NCC were based on the additional 45% they had taken and we asked if parish and Town councils affected by high levels of second homes could receive 5% of that 45% to use in the way they feel best meets their needs. In Mundesley case this would mean an annual income of ??????. Most parishes have identified similar activities they would like to run such as community hospital transport or support outreach services for retail banking and post. These activities could then be funded by the annual SHCT payment.

However, the effects of second home ownership go wider than just Norfolk, this needs to be raised as a national issue. Other areas in East Anglia, the Lake district and other National Parks and Cornwall and Devon are experiencing similar issues. **A clear, fair and consistent approach is needed to ensure the income generated by SHCT is focussed back into those communities adversely affected.** We need to explore nationally the ways SH owners contribute to the true cost of the community. Whether that is, through a mechanism to ensure SHO contribute to town and Parish precepts or through a SHCT greater than 100%. A national scheme which ring fences SHCT or a % of SHCT to be spent directly by the first tier of government, which most understands the needs of their communities.

The NNTPF are very pleased that Norfolk ALC at their AGM passed a motion that will allow NALC to do just this and in fact a survey of all Town and Parish Councils across England is just about to be completed so we can have the evidence we need to lobby effectively. In addition the Forum have also passed a motion with NALC support to the DCLG with regard for looking at the issue of second homes council tax and how it can be distributed fairly and directly to those communities adversely affected by high levels of second homes.

Exciting times for the Forum then and with other issues being brought to the table by members with regard to particular issues they are experiencing it is important we make the most of the growing voice we are developing and use it for the improvement of services and facilities available to residents and visitors to North Norfolk.

Concerns are being raised about the standard of services being provided by Kier as part of the NNDC contract across many parishes as well as lack of information available on the NNDC website with regard to accessing services and making complaints or pointing out dangerous items owned by NNDC. We are working on gathering information on this and discussing it with NNDC in early January

We would therefore really welcome Mundesley Council coming on board with us and helping us to put forward the issues and concerns of the North Norfolk district and to promote positive change for the overall good of the area and very much hope you will agree to pass a resolution to join us.

For information

Motion passed at NALC AGM 2017

Proposer: Cromer Town Council and

Seconder: Sheringham Town Council

Norfolk Town and Parish Councils who have a significant proportion of second homes calls on Norfolk ALC and the National body to:-

- Marry up the work that National ALC are doing on shared business rates with second homes council tax.
- Explore how second homes council tax is being dealt with in other areas around the country and whether it is being put back into the community.
- Explore how Town and Parish Councils are managing the number of properties that are being sold as second homes and how they are protecting housing for key workers.
- Explore the possibilities of increasing tax on second homes to over 100% to enable Town and Parish Councils to provide services in their communities.

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- To ensure that the Town and Parish Council precepts do not have to increase to compensate for loss of revenue on second homes council tax.
 - To arrange a meeting with the Minister for Coastal Communities to discuss a fair distribution of money and resources to communities which have a disproportionate number of second homes.
 - To look at legislative changes to ensure that all communities benefit from changes made on taxation of second homes.

Suggested resolution for Mundesley Parish Council:

It is proposed that Mundesley Parish Council agree to support the North Norfolk Town and Parish Forum in their efforts to raise awareness about the detrimental effects of high levels of second homes on local communities. In addition to support the forum in it's efforts to continue to explore ways of ensuring second homes council tax can be shared fairly and equally, directly into those communities adversely effected by high levels of second homes across the UK. There is no cost involved in supporting the forum.

Cllr Liz Withington
Chair North Norfolk Town and Parish Forum

The Community Housing Fund and Community Led Housing

The Community Housing Fund is money from central government which is targeted at areas affected by a high proportion of holiday and second homes. North Norfolk District Council is one of the areas in the country with the highest levels of holiday and second homes and has received £2.4 million from the fund. The Council plans to use this money to support the delivery of Community Led Housing to help counter the impact holiday homes can have on communities.

Whilst holiday homes are not a bad thing in themselves (and reflect the popularity of North Norfolk as an area), they do restrict the homes available to local people and may also push house prices up making them even less affordable to local people.

The aim of community led housing is to help bring badly needed, new, affordable homes for local people into parishes - but in a way that means the community has a much greater say and 'ownership' of the homes and can benefit in wider ways from the new homes.

Planning rules restrict the development of new homes in much of North Norfolk, but there is an exception to the policy for affordable housing. Small developments (typically 10 or fewer homes) of affordable housing (homes to rent or buy below market prices) may be allowed if there is a proven need for them. These homes will be available to local people (from the parish or adjoining parishes) and remain affordable in perpetuity. Many parishes in North Norfolk already have small developments of new affordable housing using this Exceptions Housing Scheme Planning policy – there are 26 schemes across the district, comprising 268 homes.

Community led housing builds on the Exceptions Housing Scheme approach but with greater potential benefits to the local community. Community led housing can take many forms, a common model is a Community Land Trust (CLT). A CLT owns the freehold of land and typically leases the land to a housing association who build, own & manage homes let to local people. The CLT gets an income from the lease of the land which can then be reinvested in other community facilities or projects. However, there are lots of different options for CLTs ranging from just owning the land through to owning and managing them. Depending what a community feels comfortable with, their skills level and time they want to invest, there will be a community led housing model to suit.

But all the models involve the community taking a lead role in developing new homes. This will help ensure widespread support for new housing and make sure the new homes and other benefits meet the community's needs. Whatever form, some of the common features of a community led housing scheme include:

- Involving the community in key decisions.
- Involving the community in the long-term ownership or stewardship of homes.
- Providing homes and other benefits for the local community in perpetuity.

As well as providing housing, a community led scheme can bring other benefits to the community. These benefits could help with sustainability and resilience of the community and help bring communities together. So for example the community might want to include a children's play area for the village as part of the housing

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Councillor's Report - December 2017

Importantly, I'd like to wish everyone Happy Christmas and all good wishes for 2018.

I can't believe that it is already six months since I was elected to the County Council. I can genuinely say that working with Parish Councils has been one of the greatest pleasures of the job – the work you do for your communities is hugely impressive. I am sorry that the demands of my 'day job' mean that I have had to miss a number of Parish Council meetings towards the end of this year. Hopefully I will be able to put that right early in 2018, but do get in touch with me if there is ever anything I can do to help.

HIGHWAYS IN WINTER

Highways issues continue to make up the largest part of my post-bag. You might have seen that the County Council is planning to cut the number of roads it grits in the winter. This is what they say: *We are proposing to reduce the number of roads that we grit in order to save £200,000. We currently grit 34% of the road network and we are proposing to reduce this to 30% of roads. We would achieve this by carrying out an in-depth assessment of the road network in Norfolk in order to re-prioritise which roads should still be gritted. There would continue to be a gritted route into each town and village currently in receipt of one.*

If you want to make your voice heard over these proposals you can contribute to the formal consultation here: <https://norfolk.citizenspace.com/consultation/gritting/>

A colleague of mine has used part of her £6,000 pot of funding for local Highways projects to buy additional grit bins for Parish Councils. If there are sites in the Parish that need a bin, do let me know.

BUSES

The County Council is also looking to reduce the money it spends on supporting bus services. Here is what they say:

We are proposing to carry out a review of the money we give to bus companies to subsidise bus routes and the grants we give to community transport operators, with a view to saving £0.5 million in 2018/19. We want to look at whether we could get better value for money without there being a noticeable impact on passengers. However it is likely that we would need to prioritise which services we continue to support in order to save some of this money.

You can make your contribution to the public consultation here: <https://norfolk.citizenspace.com/consultation/bussubsidy/>

POLICE FUNDING

Not wanting to be left out, the Police and Crime Commissioner's office has also launched a consultation on its budget. You can find more details and have your say here: <http://www.norfolk-pcc.gov.uk/news/would-you-pay-more-council-tax-for-policing-in-norfolk/>

MOBILE PHONE RECEPTION

One of my Lib Dem colleagues on the County Council has been running a project for about a year, looking at ways to improve mobile phone coverage in areas of Norfolk that are poorly served by the networks.

He tells me that recently the project has taken an interesting step forward. The County Council will soon be commissioning a survey of signal on all networks across Norfolk but only on main roads, B

road and tourist hot spots. The Council has agreed to include in the terms of the tender that the winning provider supplies kits to communities to help fill in the gaps. For the gaps that still remain, we will recommend the variety of ideas that continue to come in for alternative small-cell sites.

When further information about this project becomes available I will share it with you.

CROMER AND NORTH WALSHAM

Representing 12 parishes between the towns of Cromer and North Walsham I am very aware of how what goes on in the towns affects everyone in Mundesley Division. In a previous report I highlighted the County Council's market town transport review. Now I just wanted to alert you to the towns' own initiatives. Neighbouring parishes will already have been notified of the meeting organised by NALC for the 'Greater Cromer Area' to look at housing and a local plan. This will be held at the Community Centre on Garden Street in Cromer at 7pm on 12th December. North Walsham meanwhile is developing a town strategy. You can find details here, hopefully with details of the workshops to be added soon: <http://northwalsham-town.co.uk/town-strategy-results-2017/>

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December's Payments							
Voucher Number	Payable to	Payment Method	Description	Amount	Name	Sign 1	Sign 2
235	HMRC	D/D	PAYE 6.10.17 - 5.11.17	£801.44			
236	SSE	D/D	Street Lights - November	£469.23			
237	BT	D/D	Phone & Internet November	£102.40			
238	NNDC	D/D	Rates - Back St Toilets	£60.00			
239	SAGE	D/D	Payroll Software - Nov	£7.20			
240	EON	D/D	Feeder pillar - December	£19.62			
241	SSE	D/D	Back Street Toilets - QTR 3	£29.53			
242	SSE	D/D	Pavillion - QTR 3	£31.84			
243	SSE	D/D	MUGA - QTR 3	£46.70			
244	SSE	D/D	Museum - QTR 3	£170.60			
245	SSE	D/D	Old Fire Station - QTR 3	£102.78			
246	Siemens	D/D	Photocopier lease -December	£107.96			
247	Doreen Joy	000789	Salary & Expenses November	£1,976.54			
248	Norfolk Pension Fund	000790	Pension Contributions - November	£682.48			
249	VOID CHEQUE	000791	SIGNED INCORRECTLY	£0.00			
250	Trevor Rivett	000792	Maintenance - Nov	£330.00			
251	Millenium Pest Control	000793	Pest Control Woodhurst	£82.80			
252	Big Dug	000794	Metal Shelves for container	£118.80			
253	NorfolkALC	000795	Budget Course	£60.00			
254	Safe Lincs	000796	Smoke alarms for the museum	£83.38			
255	Rainbow Office	000797	Stationary	£64.80			

Agreed at Full Council on 18.12.17

Chair Sign:

RFO Sign:

Decembers' Payments								
Voucher Number	Payable to	Payment Method	Description	Amount	Name	Sign 1	Name	Sign 2
256	Community Action Norfolk	000798	Membership	£160.00				
257	Playsafety Ltd	000799	ROSPA Annual Inspections	£509.40				
258	Randells Electrics	000800	PAT Testing - Office	£25.00				
259	Mundesley Hardware	000801	Extesnion lead, lights, incinerator	£50.07				
260	Travis Perkins	000802	Tollet Seat for Back St toilets	£25.35				
261	URM	000803	Glass Recycling - November	£36.00				
262	Randalls Electrics	000804	Storage heater in office	£35.00				
263	Chevertons Printers	000805	2000 Christmas Catelogues	£540.00				
264	Lloyds Bank	D/D	Charges 10.10-9.11.17	£37.02				
Agreed at Full Council on 18.12.17 Chair Sign: RFO Sign:								