

KESSINGLAND PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Emergency Planning Committee held at 10am, 27th September 2023 in the Council Chamber, Marram Green

Members present: Cllrs C. Carter, A. Green & S. James, J. McLean, B. Saunders
Other Cllrs in attendance: None
Others present: None
Clerk to the Meeting: S. Hogg (Deputy Clerk) & D. Blowers (Admin/Committee Clerk)

14. Chair's welcome

Cllr James welcomed attendees to the meeting and explained the meeting protocol.

15. Apologies for absence.

Apologies for absence were noted from Cllrs Boyle & Dunne. Cllr Green proposed acceptance and Cllr McLean seconded with all in favour.

16. Declarations of Interest.

16.1 There were no Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non- Registerable Interests from councillors on items on the Agenda and although there are no written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests nor dispensations granted, an ongoing request for dispensation have been received from Cllr Green in respect of his role as district councillor.

17. Minutes of the previous meeting.

17.1 Cllr McLean proposed the minutes of the Leisure Committee meeting that was held on 20th June 2023 be adopted as an accurate record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Saunders with all in favour.

18. Public participation.

None

19. Emergency Plan

It was noted that some members of this committee do not have a copy of the current emergency plan so the Deputy Clerk will email all members a copy.

The committee discussed what the provisions would be in the village should there be a tidal surge. Concerns were raised that if flooding occurred because of this it would happen in the area where Park Dean Holiday Park is and could mean that the A12 is flooded and therefore there wouldn't be access to the village.

It was noted that there is a service available with the Environmental Agency which notifies members of the public when there is a flood risk, either via voicemail or by email.

Unfortunately, this service does not notify specific areas so would not pin-point if there was a direct risk to Kessingland but it may still be worth some members of the committee receiving these alerts.

The question was raised regarding how help would be given to disabled members of the community should they need it but it was noted that should evacuations be required national agencies would be called in to help. A dummy run through of how the emergency plan would be executed should an incident of flooding occur in the village will be arranged for the next January meeting and all relevant members of the emergency plan shall be invited to attend.

20. **Date of next meeting.**

It was noted that the date of the next is scheduled for 10am, Wednesday 17th January 2024.

21. **Items for the next agenda.**

To note that items for the next agenda need to be with the Clerk by 5pm on Wednesday 10th January 2024.

22. **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

That in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972 (Sections 100 and 102), the public and press be excluded for the remaining items of business due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted including contractual and personnel related matters.

There are no items in this section of the agenda.

23. **Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 10.27am.