



WELLS TOWN COUNCIL

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CLERK'S REPORT WRITTEN FOR THE MEETING TO BE HELD JUNE 2012 & PREPARED 01.06.2012

- 1) We learnt a couple of weeks ago that the contractors that have (efficiently) handled the maintenance contract for our footway lighting have gone into administration. Luckily there are other firms around that do this work and we have asked three of them to provide quotations for discussion on the agenda. It is fortunate that this has happened at the time of year when the daylight is longest, since we get very few reports of broken lights at this time.
- 2) Before issuing this report I have now received a call from the people who used to work for us. They are setting up a new company. I asked what would be different now from before. Apparently, as well as working for Parishes they also did a lot of new work on estates. This was the unprofitable side, and they had to wait a long time to get paid, but their suppliers expected early payment. They will only be doing "Parish Work" in future. On this basis I have invited them to quote.
- 3) Correspondence has been received via Norman Lamb's office from NCC stating that the Coast Hopper service is safe but NCC may consider other tenders for the route as the current contract with Norfolk Green comes to an end
- 4) A complaint has been received about vehicles parking on the footpath at the south end of Park Road. Letters of advice have been sent to those responsible and the appropriate authorities informed.
- 5) A letter has been sent to NNDC concerning the possible acquisition of the Drying Grounds but no reply has been received to date.
- 6) A letter has been received from Tony Ford who is interested in joining the Council if and when there is a vacancy.
- 7) Correspondence has been received from Victory Housing stating they have successfully dealt with a tenant on Northfield Lane who was keeping their front garden in an unacceptable state.
- 8) A reply has been received from the MMO to the Council's original letter and it is appended for information.
- 9) Another request has been received from the Circus Ferrel to use either the recreational field or the Buttlands for their circus in August, does the Council wish to consider/discuss this next month.
- 10) NNDC have questioned how we dispose of the litter that the Town Council's litter picker empties from the bins on the playing field and have suggested it is trade waste and that we should be paying additional money for disposal. We have replied in strong terms to challenge this but they are adamant it is trade waste and as such the Town Council is responsible for the cost of disposal.

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