



## MINUTES

### Town Council Meeting held on 7 December 2015 at 1925 at The Methodist Room

Those Present: Allen Frary (Chairman), Gary Anthony, Roger Arguile, Pauline Catton, Rodney Crafer, Lindsay Dew, Joe Ellison, Tony Ford, Mike Gates, Ray Hewitt, Campbell MacCallum & Guy Warren

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), Marie Strong, Vincent Fitzpatrick, Press (The Quay) & 6 members of the Public.

- 1) Public Forum No speakers
- 2) Apologies None
- 3) To receive Declarations of Interest None
- 4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2015 Agreed and Signed
- 5) To hear a representation from Melvyn Fickling, representing the Coastal Communities Team, concerning the Maryland Industrial Estate and discuss as necessary.  
Melvyn explain the work of the Wells Coastal Communities Team and the issues they hoped to address. The team had initially decided to focus on two areas, the need for an affordable campsite in Wells and the disused industrial units on Maryland. The team had been in communication with both the district council and the owner of the industrial units. The owner has indicated that he will work with the team to bring the units back into use. Melvyn stressed the importance of small commercial units to provide more business opportunities and employment. He asked for the Town Council's support.  
Resolved – The Town Council gave their unreserved support to the work of the Coastal Communities Team.
- 10) b) Norfolk County Council  
County Councillor Dr Marie Strong provided a report which is appended and is available on the website. In addition Marie emphasise the importance of the County Council budget consultation and encourage the council and individuals to respond. Another two faster broadband cabinets have now gone live in Wells and those previously unable to get faster broadband should try again. As a result of government proposals Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire are considering coming together with regard devolution.
- 7) To discuss the broadcast of live music from license premises (RA).  
RA outlined recent issues, in particular complaints he had received directly about the singer who regularly performs on the balcony of the Golden Fleece; it was considered that the noise was excessive. Representation was then allowed by Steve Brundle (Golden Fleece), Peter Rainsford and Ton Brouwer. Following an open discussion between all parties it was agreed that Steve Brundle would consider the various concerns and see if a compromise could be found. He would report back at a future meeting.



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- 6) To receive a report from Councillor Roger Arguile concerning the recent inaugural meeting of the North Norfolk Tourism and Management Forum and considered the suggested proposals contained within the report.

RA explained the report which was then discussed (a copy is attached and is available on the website).

Resolved – To allow RA to take forward the proposals outlined in the report.

- 8) To consider three quotations for the provision of a new town council noticeboard.

The quotations were discussed.

Resolved – to allow the Clerk to decide on the best solution.

- 9) Reports

Safer Neighbourhood Team

No report had been received.

### c) North Norfolk District Council

Clr. Vincent Fitzpatrick discussed a number of issues including the recent planning workshops which had been very successful. With regard recent planning applications, he was against the proposal for the grain store on Maryland and that the proposal for Sunnyside on the Buttlands was going before the Development Committee. In addition NNDC was now sharing key staff with Gt Yarmouth, sky lanterns had been banned on NNDC land, free parking on NNDC car parks during the weekend before Christmas and a festive fun trail at Holt Country Park on the 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> December.

### d) Town Clerk

A report is appended and is available on the website. As a result it was agreed to use skate park funds to replace a damaged sign. In addition, complaints had been received from residents on the Buttlands about the Christmas Tide event, an enquiry had been received from a company considering the viability of a petrol filling station on the Polka Road coach park and the office would be closed at Christmas from the 23<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> December.

### e) Portfolio Holders/Committees

RH (Playing Field) The new walkway on the recreation field that also gives access to the skate park is still locked, even though Holkham has been asked to remove the lock. RH would also like consideration to be given for a new sign identifying the skate park location (requested agenda item).

JE (Buttlands/Staithe Street) Following the receipt of complaints concerning recent events on the Buttlands new policy and guidelines were needed for users (requested agenda item).

CM (Traffic and Parking) CE requested that the Clerk try and obtain parking enforcement statistics for the year.



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### 11) Accounts for Settlement

#### Payments during the month

HMRC	VAT summer car parking	5211.94
E-on	Street Lighting	564.92
NNDC	Cemetery Rates	50.00
E-on	Buttlands	76.43
Greg Hewitt	Clerk's Salary Deposit	1000.00

#### Payments 7 December 2015

Jimmy Tottle	Bollards	220.00
Greg Hewitt	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	295.84
Norfolk Pension Fund	monthly contribution	498.20
TT Jones Electrical Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	231.02
Norse Eastern Ltd	Grounds maintenance    £1306.90	-----
	Grounds maintenance    £310.60	1617.50
Veolia Environmental Services	Cemetery rubbish collection	27.16
Wells Community Hospital	Office Rent November	250.00
P J Canham	Pest Control Cemetery - Nov	66.00
Society of Local Council Clerks	Annual Subscription	187.00
Holkham Estates	Children' Playing Field £50.00	-----
	Recreation Field £155.47	-----
	Westfield Playing Field £25.00	230.47
Anglo Scottish Equipment Ltd	Container Hire recreation field	127.54
Viking	Office supplies	168.43
Mr S Marshall - Auto Graphics	No Cycling signs for Staithe St Bollards	13.00
Platten & Anthony DIY	Buttlands - Posts	75.00
Mr E Cast	Litter Picking	246.40

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

### 12) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 4 January 2016

Meeting ends 2140

