



MINUTES

Town Council Meeting held on 2 July 2018 at 1908 at The Methodist Room

Those Present: Mike Gates (Chairman), Roger Arguile, Pauline Catton, Rodney Crafer, Lindsay Dew, Joe Ellison, & Guy Warren

Greg Hewitt (Clerk), Marie Strong, Simon Hester, Press (The Quay) & 8 Members of the Public.

1) Public Forum

County Council Marie Strong gave her apologies because she couldn't stay for the meeting due to needing to prepare for her fight to save the mobile libraries. A resident asked Marie about the coming consultation regarding the proposed changes to the parking regulations. Marie explained that the information would be provided in the Quay Magazine. A resident asked about progress with the highways faults reported last month and reported that the white lines at the Station Road/Polka junction needed attention.

2) Apologies Gary Anthony, Tony Ford, Ray Hewitt, Campbell MacCallum, Vincent Fitzpatrick & Police

3) To receive Declarations of Interest LD item 5

4) To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 June 2018. Agreed and Signed

5) To receive a presentation from Clive Rayner and Nigel Tompkins, representing the Sheringham Shoal Fund, who are trying to generate more applications to the fund from the Wells area. Clive and Nigel will be joined by Ross McMillan who is the operational lead for the Sheringham Shoal Wind Farm.

An explanation was given by Ross McMillan concerning the reasons behind the change of name to Equinor for the company operating the Sheringham Shoal and their ethos of working with the local community. Nigel Tompkins and Clive Rayner spoke about the Sheringham Shoal Fund and a briefing document was provided which is available on the Town Council website.

7) To consider and support a proposal from the Beach Road Toilet and Memorial Site Working Party, for the improvement of the Beach Road toilets, subject to consent from NNDC, using local volunteers. In addition, to agree to allocate some funding to the project.

District Councillor Richard Price attended the meeting and explained NNDC's immediate plans for the Beach Road toilets was a refurbishment scheduled to start on the 9th July lasting for a period of two weeks during which the toilets would be closed. He stated one reason for the planned works was to resolve a water leak and water pressure problem. The Beach Road toilets would be improved both inside and out, "it would be more than a lick of paint".



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- 7) continued
Sleepers are to be provided to build planters and the district will work with the Town Council regarding planting. It was acknowledge that the Beach Road toilets were the busiest in the district and there is a commitment to improving toilet provision in Wells and the possibility of a super-loo with family cubicle and adult changing facilities at the Stearmans Yard toilets. Councillor Price could not say in the long term what the future held for the Beach Road toilet site.
Resolved – to authorise expenditure of up to £200 for planting.
- 6) To Consider reviving the Tourism Working Group, to enable matters of common concern in relation to tourism to be discuss and to ensure good communication between stakeholders and other interested parties.
Resolved – motion not moved.
- 8) To consider unsightly advertising displayed on hoarding on the Quay.
Resolved – no action required.
- 9) Reports
- a) Safer Neighbourhood Team
A report was submitted and circulated to the councillors.
- b) Norfolk County Council, Councillor Dr Marie Strong
See item I, Public Forum.
- c) North Norfolk District Council
Councillor Vincent Fitzpatrick sent a report which is available on the website.
Councillor Simon Hester spoke about NNDC's Market Town initiative, the Big Society Fund and a freeze on Asset Commercialisation regarding the Beach Road toilets. He was asked what the situation is with the Staithe Street car park now the Maltings is finished and he committed to finding out.
- d) Town Clerk's Report
The Clerk advised that the tradesman who originally made the Town Sign has agreed to carry out the repairs, that there have been complaints received about uncut areas of wild flowers at the cemetery (*agenda item requested*), Victory Housing have responded to the letter sent to them on behalf of the Town Council about the disposal of housing stock (*the letter has been circulated*), the A Boards appear to have been removed from outside the Globe Inn and the Highways Authority have asked for details of any highways defects.
- e) Portfolio Holders/Committees
JE (Buttlands/Noticeboard/Staithe Street) Everything is in good order.



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10) Financial Report & Accounts for Settlement

Payments during the month

NNDC - Rates	Rates - Office	53.00
Anglian Water	Water Rates - Allotments East End	195.98
Total Gas & Power	Street Lighting Electricity	519.76
Clerk to the Council	Clerk's Salary Deposit	1000.00
Madasafish	Email Service	1.69

Payments 2 July 2018

Contractor	Bollards	220.00
Clerk to the Council	Salary (net of deposit) & Expenses	217.49
Norfolk Pension Fund	Monthly contribution	490.87
TT Jones Electrical Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	241.24
Norse Eastern Limited	Grounds maintenance £1426.24	-----
	Grounds maintenance £318.34	1744.58
Veolia ES (UK) Ltd	Waste Collection	117.92
HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE 1st Quarter	1821.09
Wells Community Hospital	Rent - June	262.50
The Play Inspection Company Ltd	Playground Inspection	94.50
Contractor	Pest Control Allotments - A/M/J	180.00
NALC (LCR Subscription)	Subscriptions	17.00
P Snell	Tap Repair Allotments	35.00
Staff	Litter Picking	250.25

Resolved – Accounts agreed, accepted and signed

11) To confirm Date of Next Meeting - Confirmed as Monday 3 September 2018.

Meeting ends 2125

